

D.C. Cheat Sheet



Quick Updates from Your HF Team

Forest Service Promotes Timber Harvest and Conservation, See *Three-Pager Below*

USDA has published a helpful [three-pager](#) highlighting the benefits of carbon storage in national forests. The web page links carbon storage to wood products and outlines the major types of land-use in the national forest system. These include the amount of acreage “suitable for harvesting” and acreage set aside strictly for recreation.

Biden Offers \$5.8 Trillion “Wish List”

On Monday, several weeks behind schedule, the Biden Administration unveiled several trillions of dollars of proposed federal spending for 2023. Although the President’s Budget never trumps the congressional spending process, the document gives him the chance to outline his priorities by attaching dollar figures to pet projects. Included in the mix is \$1.7 billion for USDA’s climate efforts, including implementation of a “climate smart commodities” program that may include forest products.

PAC Springs Into Action

HFPAC is closing out the last week of March on a high note. On Tuesday, the Federation met with Rep. Jim Baird (R-IN), who sits on the House Agriculture Committee and will make a helpful partner on the farm bill. On Thursday, industry meets with Rep. David Rouzer (R-NC) who also sits on the ag committee, and industry champion Rep. Kurt Schrader (D-OR), who's facing a tough primary opponent this year. Reps. GT Thompson (R-PA) and Jim Costa (D-CA) are already booked for the second quarter. Stay tuned for more events to support our congressional allies as we draw closer to the mid-terms.