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# Ahlstrom-Munksjö Community Education and Outreach Program Exhibits

## Purpose of this Education and Outreach Program

To support and promote the efforts of enhancing and continuing sustainable forest management throughout the industry, Ahlstrom-Munksjö's active education/outreach program is focused on providing up-to-date information on sustainable forest management techniques, biological diversity enhancement, conservation practices, and certification opportunities to their wood suppliers and to landowners within their procurement radius. To accomplish this, Ahlstrom-Munksjö has developed created a Community Education and Outreach web page on Ahlstrom-Munksjö.com as well as provides information in hard copy form at landowner conferences, workshops, expos, etc. that www.Ahlstrom-Munksjö participates in.

This document lists the informational brochures, handouts, list of websites/programs, and other relevant sources of information that were created/are provided by consulting foresters, state and federal agencies, state or community groups, professional societies, conservation organizations, Indigenous Peoples and governments, sporting organizations, university and extension agencies, the American Tree Farm System® and/or other landowner cooperative programs that are available to suppliers and landowners. These sources were compiled by Ahlstrom-Munksjö and made available to suppliers and landowners via the ww.Ahlstrom-Munksjö.com Community Education and Outreach web page.

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## SFIFS-1: Biodiversity and Conservation

### Informational handouts/exhibits (national, regional, and state)

- A comprehensive collection of biodiversity & conservation handouts/exhibits is maintained by the Wisconsin DNR:
  - Forest Health: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ForestHealth/>
  - Forest Management: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ForestManagement/>
  - Forest Planning: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ForestPlanning/>
  - Tree Planting: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/TreePlanting/>
  - Woodland Owners: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ForestLandowners/>

### Informational Websites

#### Biodiversity and Conservation Organizations and State Action Plans

##### National Organizations

American Forests	<a href="http://www.americanforests.org">www.americanforests.org</a>
Center for Biological Diversity	<a href="http://www.biologicaldiversity.org">www.biologicaldiversity.org</a>
Conservation Fund, The	<a href="http://www.conservationfund.org">www.conservationfund.org</a>
National Audubon Society	<a href="http://www.audubon.org">www.audubon.org</a>
National Wildlife Federation	<a href="http://www.nwf.org">www.nwf.org</a>
NatureServe	<a href="http://www.natureserve.org">www.natureserve.org</a>

##### Michigan Organizations

MI Natural Features Inventory	<a href="http://www.mnfi.anr.msu.edu">www.mnfi.anr.msu.edu</a>
MI Nature Conservancy	<a href="http://www.nature.org/michigan">www.nature.org/michigan</a>
MI State University – Extension	<a href="http://www.msue.anr.msu.edu/topic/info/forestry">www.msue.anr.msu.edu/topic/info/forestry</a>

##### Wisconsin Organizations

WI National Heritage Inventory	<a href="http://www.dnr.wi.gov/topic/nhi">www.dnr.wi.gov/topic/nhi</a>
WI Nature Conservancy	<a href="http://www.nature.org/wisconsin">www.nature.org/wisconsin</a>
University of WI – Extension	<a href="http://www.woodlandinfo.org/">www.woodlandinfo.org/</a>

##### State Action Plans

MI State Forest Action Plan	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-30301_30505---,00.html">http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-30301_30505---,00.html</a>
MI State Wildlife Action Plan	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/dnrwildlifeactionplan">www.michigan.gov/dnrwildlifeactionplan</a>
WI State Forest Action Plan	<a href="http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ForestPlanning/actionPlan2010.html">http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ForestPlanning/actionPlan2010.html</a>
WI State Wildlife Action Plan	<a href="http://www.dnr.wi.gov/topic/wildlifehabitat/actionplan.html">www.dnr.wi.gov/topic/wildlifehabitat/actionplan.html</a>

## SFIFS-2: Best Management Practices (BMP)

### Informational handouts/exhibits (national, regional, and state)

- A comprehensive collection of BMP handouts/exhibits is maintained by the Wisconsin DNR online:
  - Forest Management: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ForestManagement/>

### Links to State-Issued BMP Manuals and Forest Management Guidelines

#### State-Issued Best Management Practices and Forest Management Guidelines

WI BMP Manual: “Wisconsin’s Forestry Best Management Practices for Water Quality”	<a href="http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/forestmanagement/bmp.html">dnr.wi.gov/topic/forestmanagement/bmp.html</a>
Wisconsin Forest Management Guidelines	<a href="http://www.dnr.wi.gov/topic/forestmanagement/guidelines.html">www.dnr.wi.gov/topic/forestmanagement/guidelines.html</a>
WI BMP Manual: “Invasive Species”	<a href="http://www.wisconsinforestry.org/files/invasiveBMPs/FinalForestryBMPManual_03-26-09.pdf">www.wisconsinforestry.org/files/invasiveBMPs/FinalForestryBMPManual_03-26-09.pdf</a>
Wisconsin Forestland Woody Biomass Harvesting Guidelines	<a href="http://www.wisconsinforestry.org/files/woodyBiomass/BHGFieldManual.pdf">www.wisconsinforestry.org/files/woodyBiomass/BHGFieldManual.pdf</a>
MI BMP Manual: “Sustainable Soil and Water Quality Practices on Forest Land”	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-31154_31261---,00.html">www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-31154_31261---,00.html</a>
Michigan Biomass Harvesting Guidelines	<a href="http://www.forestenergy.org/openfile/252">http://www.forestenergy.org/openfile/252</a>
Michigan Forest Management Guidelines*	<a href="http://www.michigansaf.org/Business/MSAFguide-2010/1-MainPage.html">www.michigansaf.org/Business/MSAFguide-2010/1-MainPage.html</a>

\*Note: Michigan does not have formal Forest Management Guidelines in place at this time.

## Informational Websites

### State Government Forestry Home Pages

WIDNR – Division of Forestry	<a href="http://www.dnr.wi.gov/forestry">www.dnr.wi.gov/forestry</a>
MIDNR – Division of Forestry	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-30301---,00.html">www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-30301---,00.html</a>

## SFIFS-3: Qualified Professionals

To support the continuation of training throughout the industry, Ahlstrom-Munksjö’s active education/outreach program is focused on providing up-to-date information on the organizations that provide forest industry training opportunities and certification programs that recognize qualified forest industry professionals.

### Informational handouts/exhibits (national, regional, and state)

- A comprehensive collection of professional help for landowners, including handouts/exhibits is maintained by the Wisconsin DNR online:
  - Landowner Assistance: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ForestLandowners/assist.html>

## Informational Websites

### SFI Training Programs & Qualified Professionals

#### Wisconsin

FISTA (WI)	<a href="http://www.fistausa.org">www.fistausa.org</a>
WI Consulting Foresters	<a href="http://www.wi-consultingforesters.com">www.wi-consultingforesters.com</a>
WI Master Logger Certification	<a href="http://www.wimlc.com">www.wimlc.com</a>
Wisconsin Society of American Foresters	<a href="http://www.wisaf.org">www.wisaf.org</a>
WI Cooperating Forester Program	<a href="http://www.dnr.wi.gov/topic/forestlandowners/coopforesters.html">www.dnr.wi.gov/topic/forestlandowners/coopforesters.html</a>

#### Michigan

MI Master Logger Certification	<a href="http://www.mimlc.com">www.mimlc.com</a>
Michigan SFE Training	<a href="http://www.sfimi.org">www.sfimi.org</a>
Michigan Society of American Foresters	<a href="http://www.michiganSAF.org">www.michiganSAF.org</a>
Michigan Qualified Foresters	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdard/Directory_of_Qualified_Foresters_by_County_428232_7.pdf">http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mdard/Directory_of_Qualified_Foresters_by_County_428232_7.pdf</a>

## SFIFS-4: Legal and Regulatory Compliance

Ahlstrom-Munksjö’s “Sustainable Forest Policy” specifies a commitment to achieving compliance with all applicable laws and regulations as well as a commitment to scientifically, environmentally, socially, and economically sustainable practices. Information addressing all applicable laws, standards, and regulations is available online.

### Informational Websites

#### Federal Agency & Government Home Pages

Code of Federal Regulations	<a href="http://www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfr-table-search.html">www.access.gpo.gov/nara/cfr/cfr-table-search.html</a>
National Association of Counties	<a href="http://www.naco.org">www.naco.org</a>
National Wetlands Inventory Center	<a href="http://www.wetlands.fws.gov">www.wetlands.fws.gov</a>
OSHA – Logging Safety	<a href="http://www.osha-slc.gov/SLTC/logging/index.html">www.osha-slc.gov/SLTC/logging/index.html</a>
US Army Corp of Engineers - Home	<a href="http://www.usace.army.mil/">www.usace.army.mil/</a>
US Env. Protection Agency - Home	<a href="http://www.epa.gov">www.epa.gov</a>
US Env. Protection Agency - Endangered Species	<a href="http://www.epa.gov/espp">www.epa.gov/espp</a>
US Env. Protection Agency - Office of Water	<a href="http://www.epa.gov/watrhome/">www.epa.gov/watrhome/</a>
US Env. Protection Agency - Region 4	<a href="http://www.epa.gov/region4">www.epa.gov/region4</a>
US Env. Protection Agency - Wetlands	<a href="http://www.epa.gov/OWOW/wetlands/">www.epa.gov/OWOW/wetlands/</a>
US Fish & Wildlife Service - Home	<a href="http://www.fws.gov">www.fws.gov</a>
US Fish & Wildlife Service - Endangered Species	<a href="http://www.endangered.fws.gov">www.endangered.fws.gov</a>

US Forest Service	www.fs.fed.us/
US Geological Service	www.usgs.gov/
US Gov. Publishing Office	www.access.gpo.gov/su_docs/aces/aces140.html

## SFIFS-5: Forestry Research, Science and Technology

### Financial Support

In addition to promoting the programs and information developed by forestry and environmental programs and agencies, Ahlstrom-Munksjö provides financial and in-kind support to research programs related to forest health, productivity, and management of forest resources, including:

- Financial support of/membership in Forest Resources Association (FRA)
- Financial support for National Council for Air & Stream Improvement (NCASI) forest & environmental studies
- Financial support of/participation in the Wisconsin SFI State Implementation Committee (SIC)
- Financial support of Trees for Tomorrow and membership on their Board of Directors
- Financial support of/membership in the Wood Supply Research Institute (WSRI)

### Informational Websites

Forestry and Environmental Home pages	
<b>Government Agency Home Pages</b>	
WIDNR – Division of Forestry	www.dnr.wi.gov/forestry
MIDNR – Division of Forestry	www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-30301---,00.html
<b>Non-Governmental Agency Home Pages</b>	
Forest Resources Association	www.forestresources.org
National Association of State Foresters	www.stateforesters.org
Society of American Foresters – WI	www.wisaf.org
WI Paper Council – WI	www.wipapercouncil.org
Great Lakes Timber Professionals Association (GLTPA)	www.gltpa.org
Michigan Association of Timbermen (MAT) - MI	www.timbermen.org
Michigan Forest Products Council – MI	www.michiganforest.com
Society of American Foresters – MI	www.michigansaf.org
<b>SFI State Implementation Committees</b>	
Michigan SFI SIC	www.sfimi.org
Wisconsin SFI SIC	1-800-504-5742

## SFIFS-6: Training and Education

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### Informational handouts/exhibits (national, regional, and state)

- A comprehensive collection of Wisconsin DNR handouts is maintained by the Wisconsin DNR online at <http://dnr.wi.gov/publications>, including the following topics:
  - Fish, Wildlife, and Forests
  - Lakes, Rivers, and Shorelands
  - Environmental Issues
  - Business and Industry
  - DNR Lands
  - Research
  - Grants and Loans
- An electronic copy of the Wisconsin Forest Management Guidelines is maintained online by the Wisconsin DNR and can be accessed by viewing: <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ForestManagement/guidelines.html#toc>.

### Informational Websites

SFI Training & Certification	
<b>Wisconsin</b>	
FISTA (WI)	www.fistausa.org
<b>Michigan</b>	
Michigan SFE Training	www.sfimi.org

## SFIFS-7: Community Involvement and Landowner Outreach

To support and promote the efforts of enhancing and continuing sustainable forest management throughout the industry, Ahlstrom-Munksjö's active education/outreach program is focused on providing up-to-date information on sustainable forest management techniques, biological diversity enhancement, conservation practices, and certification opportunities.

Additionally, Ahlstrom-Munksjö encourages all wood suppliers to inform landowners they work with of the importance of/provide implementation guidance on:

- a) best management practices
- b) reforestation and afforestation
- c) visual quality management
- d) conservation objectives, such as of critical wildlife habitat elements, biodiversity, threatened and endangered species, and Forests with Exceptional Conservation Value
- e) harvest residue (e.g., slash, limbs, tops) management considers economic, social, environmental factors (e.g., organic and nutrient value to future forests) and other utilization needs
- f) control of invasive exotic plants and animals
- g) characteristics of special sites
- h) reduction of wildfire risk

### Informational handouts/exhibits (national, regional, and state)

- Information on the American Tree Farm System can be found at: <https://www.treefarmssystem.org/about-us>
- Information on educational workshops, clinics, seminars and training opportunities within the state of Wisconsin can be found at: <http://dnr.wi.gov/education/workshops.html>

### Informational Websites

There are well-defined and well-supported mechanisms for public outreach, education, and involvement related to sustainable forest management provided at the state level through the Department of Natural Resources in Michigan and Wisconsin:

#### Forestry and Environmental Home pages

<i>Government Agency Home Pages</i>	
WIDNR – Division of Forestry	<a href="http://www.dnr.wi.gov/forestry">www.dnr.wi.gov/forestry</a>
MIDNR – Division of Forestry	<a href="http://www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-30301---,00.html">www.michigan.gov/dnr/0,4570,7-153-30301---,00.html</a>
WCFA – Wisconsin County Forest Association	<a href="http://www.wisconsincountyforests.com">www.wisconsincountyforests.com</a>

Additionally, there are many non-governmental organizations and agencies that support sustainable forest management techniques, outreach, and education to forest industry and landowners in Michigan and Wisconsin:

<b>Non-Governmental National, Regional, and State Forest Industry Associations</b>	
<i>National</i>	
American Forest & Paper Association	<a href="http://www.afandpa.org">www.afandpa.org</a>
American Loggers Council	<a href="http://www.americanloggers.org">www.americanloggers.org</a>
Council on Forest Engineering	<a href="http://www.cofe.org">www.cofe.org</a>
National Timber Harvesting & Transportation Safety Foundation	<a href="http://www.loggingsafety.com">www.loggingsafety.com</a>
National Council for Air & Stream Improvement	<a href="http://www.ncasi.org">www.ncasi.org</a>
Sustainable Forestry Initiative	<a href="http://www.sfiprogram.org">www.sfiprogram.org</a>
<i>Regional &amp; State</i>	
Great Lakes Timber Professionals Association (GLTPA) – WI & MI	<a href="http://www.gltpa.org">www.gltpa.org</a>
<b>Wisconsin</b>	
Partners in Forestry	<a href="http://www.partnersinforesstry.com">www.partnersinforesstry.com</a>
Society of American Foresters	<a href="http://www.wisaf.org">www.wisaf.org</a>
University of WI - Stevens Point & University of WI - Extension (Woodland Management Guide)	<a href="http://www.uwsp.edu/cnr-ap/forestryoutreach/guide/Pages/default.aspx">www.uwsp.edu/cnr-ap/forestryoutreach/guide/Pages/default.aspx</a>

University of WI - Extension (Forestry Outreach Program)	<a href="http://www.woodlandinfo.org/">www.woodlandinfo.org/</a>
Wisconsin Consulting Foresters	<a href="http://www.wi-consultingforesters.com">www.wi-consultingforesters.com</a>
Wisconsin Master Logger Certification	<a href="http://www.wimlc.com">www.wimlc.com</a>
WI Paper Council	<a href="http://www.wipapercouncil.org">www.wipapercouncil.org</a>
Wisconsin Woodland Owners Association	<a href="http://www.wisconsinwoodlands.org">www.wisconsinwoodlands.org</a>
<b>Michigan</b>	
Michigan Association of Conservation Districts	<a href="http://www.macd.org/">www.macd.org/</a>
Michigan Association of Timbermen (MAT)	<a href="http://www.timbermen.org">www.timbermen.org</a>
Michigan Forest Association	<a href="http://www.michiganforests.com">www.michiganforests.com</a>
Michigan Forest Products Council	<a href="http://www.michiganforest.com">www.michiganforest.com</a>
Michigan Master Logger Certification	<a href="http://www.mimlc.com">www.mimlc.com</a>
Michigan State University – Extension (Forestry Outreach)	<a href="http://www.msue.anr.msu.edu/topic/info/forestry">www.msue.anr.msu.edu/topic/info/forestry</a>
Society of American Foresters	<a href="http://www.michigansaf.org">www.michigansaf.org</a>