




MILL CONVERSION INTRODUCES NEW INNOVATIVE SIDING PRODUCTS

Louisiana-Pacific has converted one of its older mills to produce sustainable wood panel siding.


- LP SmartSide® is a wood-based exterior siding product made from renewable, fast-growing and underutilized hardwoods
- the first-of-its kind operation in Canada will repurpose an existing mill and create stable employment
- possible expansion of LP's SmartSide® manufacturing could occur elsewhere in Canada


UTILIZING CANADA'S FORESTS: RESULTS EXPECTED



TREMBLING ASPEN
A FAST GROWING, UNDERUTILIZED HARDWOOD

350 MILLION
SQ.FT. ANNUAL PRODUCTION CAPACITY





61
NEW FULL-TIME JOBS

INNOVATING WITH WOOD

- the process uses innovative technological advancements such as preservative solutions for increased termite and fungi resistance; advanced resin technology to enhance product performance; and a saturated overlay technology to increase aesthetic appearance and finish.
- products of various lengths, widths, and thicknesses can be produced
- upgraded controls and increased production speed generate greater throughput and more flexibility to meet customer specifications

POTENTIAL OPPORTUNITIES

- ECONOMIC:** EFFICIENCY AND LIFE EXPECTANCY OF THE EXISTING MILL INCREASED
- ENVIRONMENT:** SUSTAINABLE PRODUCT WITH A LOW GHG EMISSIONS PROFILE
- COMMUNITY:** REVITALIZED LOCAL ECONOMIES



LOUISIANA-PACIFIC IS A MANUFACTURER OF INNOVATIVE ENGINEERED WOOD PRODUCTS

PROJECT LOCATION:
MINITONAS, MANITOBA

The products generated by the converted mill will fill a gap between growing market demand and existing capacity. It brings an innovative building product not currently being manufactured in Canada, using Canadian wood and produced in a very sustainable way.

— Jimmy Mason, Manufacturing Regional Operations Manager – Siding Louisiana-Pacific

Investments in Forest Transformation Program: In 2010, Natural Resources Canada's Canadian Forest Service created the Investments in Forest Industry Transformation Program (IFIT) to support Canadian companies to develop and grow markets for new and innovative high-value products using Canada's forest resources. *For more information www.nrcan.gc.ca/forests/federal-programs/13139*