

# SmallWood



## 2008

The **SMALLWOOD 2008** and **Bioenergy & Wood Products** joint conference will be held May 13–15, 2008, at the Monona Terrace Convention Center, Madison, Wisconsin, USA. The theme of this year's conference is "Cutting Edge Technologies to Optimize Utilization of Smallwood and Woody Biomass." The objective of this conference is to provide state-of-the-art information on small-tree utilization and to foster peer-to-peer learning. Enormous quantities of woody biomass are being generated from thinning operations, land clearing, and hurricane disasters. These issues drive the need to create solutions for using low-value and waste wood. This conference will include an international slate of speakers, including researchers, material and equipment suppliers, manufacturers, and end-users.

**SMALLWOOD 2008** and **Bioenergy & Wood Products** will feature 2 full days (Tuesday and Wednesday) of technical and poster presentations, discussions, and tabletop exhibits on

- Multi-Partnership Development
- Forest health restoration
- Supply and availability
- Harvesting systems
- Processing and manufacturing
- Energy from woody biomass
- Sustainability of biomass operations
- Tools and techniques for multiple ownerships
- Creating rural opportunities
- Tools for assessment and optimization
- Funding opportunities
- Marketing strategies

This conference will also include a variety of optional tours on Thursday, May 15, of the Forest Products Laboratory, the Aldo Leopold Legacy Center, a mobile HeeSaw demonstration, a small-diameter sawmill, pulp mill, value-added processing plant, and biomass-to-energy demonstration facilities.

For more information on **SMALLWOOD 2008** and **Bioenergy & Wood Products**, contact Julie Lang at the Forest Products Society, [conferences@forestprod.org](mailto:conferences@forestprod.org).

