















# SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY

Organizations assure responsible forest management by restocking existing forests and woodlands which have been depleted. Since the 1940's, annual growth of new trees has always exceeded the number cut down.





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- Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI)
- Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)
- Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC)
- ISO 14001 (Wood Fiber Procurement System only)

# FOREST FACTS

Valley Box's wood vendors all adhere to SFI & FSC certifications

The forest products industry, which comprises about 15 percent of forestland ownership, is responsible for 41 percent of all replanted forest acreage.

Growing trees
harness the energy
of the sun and remove
carbon dioxide from
the atmosphere.

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Harvesting mature forests allows new, young forests with a rapid rate of carbon absorption to take their places, continuing the naturally perfected cycle.

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Tree growth exceeds harvests in all areas of the U.S.

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One third of the U.S. (749 million acres) is forestland.

4.6 million trees are planted every day in the U.S.

When a young forest is growing, it produces 1.07 tons of oxygen and absorbs 1.47 tons of carbon dioxide for every ton of wood.

For more information visit FSC.org & SFIprogram.org

### **ENERGY CONSERVATION**

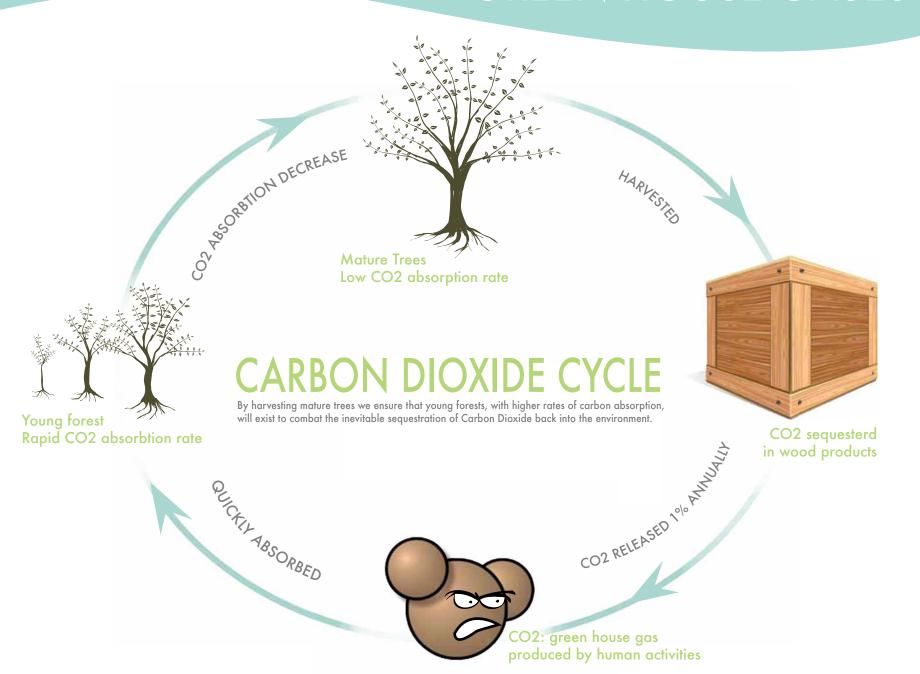
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# Simply put, manufacturing with WOOD IS ENERGY EFFICIENT

Compare the amount of energy it takes to produce one ton wood to these materials:



# GREEN HOUSE GASES



### WOOD SCRAP RECYCLING



helps by turning Valley Box Company's materials into NEW RESOURCES

Valley Box Company incorporates sustainable business practices into our operations by recycling all wood scrap with Waste Management's commercial recycling services.

Wood scrap becomes wood mulch, which protects bare soils and offers:

Erosion Control Sediment control Tracking Control Wind Erosion Control Non-Storm water Management Contro Waste Management Materials Pollution Control

Wood scrap also can become bio fuel. Bioenergy technologies produce many energy related products including:

Electricity Liquid, solid and gaseous fuels Heat Chemicals

# METAL SCRAP RECYCLING

Valley Box Company incorporates sustainable business practices into our operations by recycling all metal scrap. Recycled scrap helps keep air and water cleaner by removing potentially hazardous materials and keeping them out of landfills.



#### The US EPA calculates the benefits of using scrap steel this way:

- \* 75% Energy savings
- \* 90% Virgin materials savings
- \* 86% Air pollution reduction
- \* 40% Water use reduction
- \* 76% Water pollution reduction
- \* 97% Mining wastes reduction
- \*105% Consumer wastes reduction

In the U.S. alone, scrap metal processors handle the following approximate quantities of scrap metal yearly:

- \* 56 million tons scrap iron and steel
- \* 1.5 million tons scrap copper
- \* 2.5 million tons scrap aluminum
- \* 1.3 million tons scrap lead
- \* 300,000 tons scrap zinc
- \* 800,000 tons scrap stainless steel

### SUSTAINABLE PACKAGING

# From our design engineering to our manufacturing and packaging management services, VALLEY BOX BRINGS YOU SUSTAINABLE VALUE IN AT LEAST 10 DISTINCT WAYS:

- 1. We foster green practices that result in lower overall costs and greater sustainability.
- 2. We offer a 100% post-consumer recycled corrugated boxes.
- 3. We have customized refurbishing program so packaging can be inspected, repaired & reused where applicable.
- 4. We preserve forests by using engineered wood that is manufactured specifically for industrial use.
- 5. Our engineers design reusable packaging that considers savings associated with an increased life of our product.

- 6. We provide our customers the flexibility to quickly & cost effectively adapt packaging solutions to their product design changes
- 7. Our engineers find & fix problems before they cost you moneywith the help of full CAD design and other tools.
- 8. We manage returnable programs & provide metrics to our customers proving sustainable cost savings.
- 9. We reuse all possible packaging in our production processes to minimize waste & disposal costs.
- 10. We recycle all wood scrap & metal scrap, reducing the amount of waste entering landfills.



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