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"Paper Making" How Paper Is Manufactured

This black & white educational film is about how paper is made starting with trees in the forest to its finishing process. Copyright is 1941 by Coronet Productions. [Watch Video](#)

In the News

Archaeologists Say Ancient Canoes Found in Lake Mendota May Point to a Hidden Village Beneath the Surface

It's now been a month since archaeologists recovered the oldest canoe ever discovered in the Great Lakes region from the banks of Lake Mendota — a 3,000-year-old Ho-Chunk dugout canoe dating to 1126 B.C. While discovering the canoe itself is monumental, its finding offers insight into the ancient Ho-Chunk community that dwelled in the area. [Read More](#)

What a Week it's Been Celebrating Forest Products!

In honor of National Forest Products Week, we've been celebrating the value of forest products and their contributions to society. Since 1960, the week-long celebration (beginning on the third Sunday of October) has been observed across our nation. President Dwight Eisenhower was the first U.S. president to recognize this week and every president since (including President Joe Biden) has followed suit. [Read More](#)

Does Paper Actually Get Recycled? The Industry Answers

Paper recycling is a success story. In 2021, the paper recycling rate was 68% - a rate on par with the highest rate previously achieved. Nearly half of recycled paper went into manufacturing containerboard – the material used to make cardboard boxes.

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Minnesota's Forests a Haven Where Rare Warbler Still Sings

The bird heard the call — a three-note whistle of another male in his territory — and got ready to fight. He darted among the oak trees, circling the sound, landing only briefly on the tips of the branches as he tried in vain to find his rival. It was early June. The golden-winged warbler had just flown some 3,500 miles, from a tropical forest in Central America to the woods of northern Minnesota. But there was no time to rest. [Read More](#)

The Midwest's White Oaks are Dying from Mysterious Blight, Drought

For 10 years now, Iowa foresters have been watching century-old white oaks wither and die in just a few weeks. Trees with no visible insects or fungus are dying on ravines and ridge tops across the Midwest. Foresters can do little more than cut down the majestic trees and harvest them quickly to beat the rot. "A lot of the trees we're seeing it on are 80 to 150 years old," said Mark Vitosh, Iowa Department of Natural Resources district forester for seven Iowa counties, including Linn, Johnson and Iowa. "It's very concerning." [Read More](#)

Making Clothes From Trees Brings an Unlikely Win-Win for Food Security and the Environment

There's a ubiquitous crop that slurps up unsustainable quantities of water, gets doused in chemicals and fertilizers to maintain its growth—and yet doesn't provide us with any food. This crop is cotton, and it covers 34.5 million hectares of arable farmland around the world. Now, a team of Swedish researchers propose that if we replace a share of this crop with fibers made from the wood of fast-growing poplar trees, we could free up millions of hectares of cotton land for growing food instead. [Read More](#)

What the World Loses if Ancient Trees Die Out

Old trees are in big trouble. Whole forests with fire-resistant giant sequoias up to 3,000 years in age have recently gone up in flames. Whole stands of drought-resistant Great Basin bristlecone pine, a species that can reach 5,000 years in age, have been sucked dry by bark beetles. Monumental baobabs, the longest-living flowering plants, buckle under the stress of drought in southern Africa. The iconic cedars of Mount Lebanon, ancient symbols of longevity, struggle in warmer, drier conditions. Millennial kauris in New Zealand and centenarian olive trees in Italy succumb to invasive diseases. [Read More](#)



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