

Blandin Native Hardwoods IFM Project

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CLIMATE BENEFITS



The Blandin IFM project is registered with the American Carbon Registry.:

175,000+ acres of mixed native hardwoods in northern Minnesota

Smart ForestrySM practices extend rotations and **increase carbon storage**

Includes the **largest conservation easement in Minnesota**

CO-BENEFITS



The Blandin forest protects water resources for local communities including:

60,000 acres of wetlands

33 miles of lake and pond **shoreline**

151 miles of streams



The Blandin forest supports education and research; in 2018:

30 students visited the project area

175 attendees at ecosystem silviculture and forest management workshops

4 research studies on wildlife, hydrology, tree growth, and forest pathology



The Blandin Forest protects critical wildlife habitat:

30 miles of state designated **trout streams**

47 species of birds (2016 count in 640-acre research area)

30+ species of mammals including black bear, grey wolf, and moose



Blandin provides forest access and resources to local communities; in 2018:

79 firewood permits provided

12,695 seedlings given away

187,597 acres of public access provided for recreational use

