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Using Oxen for Historical Logging and Framing

A conversation with Dirk Hildebrandt, historical farmer at Old World Wisconsin, during the 2016 Forest History Association of Wisconsin Annual Meeting held at Burlington, Wisconsin during August 2016. [Watch Video](#)

In the News

Cost of Forestry Move and DNR Cuts are Questioned

Wisconsin Natural Resources Board members on Wednesday questioned the wisdom of spending millions of dollars to move the state forestry headquarters out of Madison as conservation groups urged stronger clean water and wildlife programs. The board unanimously approved a budget request prepared by the state Department of Natural Resources that calls for a 2.1 percent decrease in operational spending. [Read More](#)

Updated Wisconsin and Cover Mapping Project Breaks New Ground

A new and modernized view of Wisconsin's land cover is now available to the public for use in multiple ways including forest management, conservation and urban planning and particularly in providing effective customized habitat and deer management plans for as many landowners as possible. [Read More](#)

The End of an Era: Eagle Tower's Last Day

Eagle Tower, a wooden observation tower standing 75-feet tall and rising 250 feet above Lake Michigan, was built in 1932 in Wisconsin's Peninsula State Park. A Door County icon, this well-loved landmark served visitors for generations, but an in-depth inspection conducted in the spring of 2015 indicated the structure was in poor condition and no longer safe for the public. [Read More](#)

NASF and the American Forest Foundation Applaud Environmental and Economic Benefits Restoration Act

WASHINGTON (September 16, 2016)—This week, Senator Steve Daines (R-MT) and Senator Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) introduced the Environmental and Economic Benefits Restoration Act of 2016 (S. 3310). This bipartisan legislation would prioritize funding for the highest priority projects, resulting in measurable improvements to non-federal private forests and adjoining National Forest System lands. [Read More](#)

This Startup Will Use Drones to Map Forests and Plant Trees at 1/10th of the Usual Cost

An Oregon startup is working on the development of drones that can plant and monitor trees on a large scale, using "precision forestry" and high technology to jumpstart reforestation efforts in previously logged areas. While the basic approach of DroneSeed isn't a novel one, the company is looking to add a suite of forestry applications to its machines, with the intent of bringing "full lifecycle services" to forestry management, including mapping and monitoring, at a fraction of the cost of doing so manually.

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Five Historical Conservationists You Should Know

How well do you know some of history's most influential environmental activists? The conservation movement is hardly new. For hundreds of years, people have been advocating for the preservation and protection of the natural world. Some early activists educated the public on the consequences of deforestation. [Read More](#)

Upcoming Events

Event	Location	Date	Notes
Society of American Foresters National Convention The 2016 SAF National Convention will explore the rich history of forestry, land stewardship, and the connections that unite all who create, manage, use, and conserve forests and associated resources to meet desired goals, needs, and values.	Monona Terrace and Convention Center 1 John Nolen Dr Madison, WI 53703	November 2—6, 2016	Visit this link for more information.