

## **Forest Concepts Celebrates Ten Years of Innovation**

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Auburn, WA – Founded on December 11, 1998, Forest Concepts, LLC of Auburn, Washington is celebrating ten years of making it easier for customers to complete environmental restoration, endangered species habitat and erosion control projects with natural wood products. Hundreds of customers across the United States rely on wood products from Forest Concepts. The company's flagship ELWd® habitat structures and WoodStraw® wood strand erosion control materials were developed using sound science and disciplined engineering to meet the critical requirements of natural resource agencies, water and air quality regulators, and to be easily applied by contractors and conservation crews.

As the markets for environmental protection and restoration products mature, Forest Concepts is increasingly focused on development of technologies core to production of second generation biofuels from woody biomass and forest residuals.

Established in December 1998 by co-founders Jim Dooley and Jocko Burks, Forest Concepts, LLC is a forest products company with a new way of thinking about the industry and markets for wood-based materials. Products and technologies we created during the past ten years enable renewal of forest communities through value-added utilization of small diameter materials and other woody biomass. We are a nationally recognized leader in the commercialization of new uses for smallwood and biomass that is available as a co-product of forest management and wildfire protection. We develop and manufacture specialized smallwood structures and related materials for the habitat enhancement, threatened and endangered species protection, erosion control, environmental restoration, green building, and landscape markets. We provide professional services to federal, state and local agencies for business planning, product development, and biomass utilization. For more information visit our corporate web site [www.forestconcepts.com](http://www.forestconcepts.com).

Digital photos are available.

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