

# Western TPO Stakeholders' Meeting

◇ Wednesday and Thursday April 16–17, 2025 ◇

◇ Salt Lake City, Utah ◇

## WHAT

The Forest Industry Research Program at the University of Montana is hosting a **free** meeting on the collection and utilization of Timber Products Output (TPO) data for the West (Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington and Wyoming).

## WHY

The purpose of this meeting is to bring together TPO data users, data providers, cooperators and sponsors to discuss the data collection process as well as existing and potential uses for the data. We seek to build a shared understanding of the process and to discuss ways to improve data collection and publication to better meet the needs of all our stakeholders.

## WHO

- Mill representatives from across the West who currently provide TPO data, or who could do so in the future.
- Users of the TPO data, such as employees of federal and state agencies, nonprofits, and other private entities.
- Cooperators who have assisted FIRP in their work in various ways.
- Sponsors of the collection of TPO and other FIRP data.

## WHEN

Wednesday April 16, 2025, from 9:00am to 4:30pm and  
Thursday April 17, 2025, from 9:00am to 12:30pm.

**We hope you'll join us!**

## WHERE

The meeting will be held at the **Kimpton Hotel Monaco Salt Lake City** ([www.monaco-saltlakecity.com](http://www.monaco-saltlakecity.com)), There will also be a virtual option for those unable to attend in person.



- A stipend of \$100 per person will be offered to attendees to defray a portion of the travel costs.
- Please use [this link](#) to register for either in-person or virtual attendance. If you have questions, contact Thale Dillon at [thale.dillon@umontana.edu](mailto:thale.dillon@umontana.edu).

# Western TPO Stakeholders' Meeting: Draft Agenda

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## DAY 1 (April 16) 9:00am—4:30pm

- 9:00am** Welcome, housekeeping and group introductions
- 10:00am** Overview of census/annual surveys and process  
◊ Forest Industry Data Collection System (FIDACS) and Timber Products Output (TPO) program
- 10:45am** Data products derived from FIDACS and TPO data  
◊ National TPO online tool
- 11:00am** Break (30 min)
- 11:30am** Data products derived from FIDACS and TPO data, continued  
◊ Forest Industry Research Program (FIRP) state reports  
◊ Timber processing capacity and capability analysis
- 1:00pm** Lunch—on your own (60 min)
- 2:00pm** Data products derived from FIDACS and TPO data, continued  
◊ National direct employment response coefficients  
◊ National timber flow analysis
- 3:00pm** Break (30 min)
- 3:30pm** Guided discussion: Providing data and improving response rates
- 4:30pm** Adjourn
- 5:00pm** Social hour (no-host bar)

## DAY 2 (April 17) 9:00am—12:30pm

- 9:00am** Welcome and recap of Day 1
- 9:15am** FIRP research using other collected data  
◊ Logging and hauling costs  
◊ Delivered log prices  
◊ Timber sale appraisal support  
◊ Logging utilization studies
- 11:00am** Break (30 min)
- 11:30am** Guided discussion: Uses for FIDACS and TPO data
- 12:15pm** Closing remarks
- 12:30pm** Adjourn

