

# The Hardwood Federation

**Hardwood Manufacturers Association**

**March 2021**

# What is the Hardwood Federation?

- Voice of the U.S. Hardwood Industry
- Established in 2004
- 28 Hardwood Businesses Organization Members

# Our Members

- American Hardwood Export Council
- American Hardwood Utility Group
- Appalachian Hardwood Manufacturers Inc.
- Appalachian Lumbermen's Club
- Decorative Hardwood Association
- Empire State Forest Products Association
- Hardwood Distributor's Association
- Hardwood Manufacturers Association
- Indiana Hardwood Lumber Association
- Kentucky Forest Industry Association
- Lake States Lumber Association
- Maple Flooring Manufacturers Association
- Missouri Forest Products Association
- National Wood Flooring Association
- National Woodland Owners Association
- North Carolina Forestry Association
- Northeast Loggers Association
- Pennsylvania Forest Products Association
- Penn-York Lumbermen's Club
- Railway Tie Association
- Southern Cypress Manufacturers Association
- Southwestern Hardwood Manufacturers Club
- Tennessee Forestry Association
- Virginia Forestry Association
- West Virginia Forestry Association
- Western Hardwood Association
- Westside Hardwood Club
- Wood Component Manufacturers Association

# The Hardwood Federation Charge

- Educate Policy Makers
- Monitor Federal Policy
- Participate in the Process
- Network with Allies
- Support Our Champions - HFPAC

# 2021 Political Landscape-Democrat Control

**White House:** President Joe Biden

**U.S. House:** Democrats 220-210  
5 Vacancies

**U.S. Senate:** Split Senate 50-50  
VP Harris Casts Deciding Vote  
Most Legislation Needs 60 Votes

# Administration Priorities

COVID-19 Relief  
Economic Recovery  
Climate Change  
Transportation  
Immigration  
Racial Justice

# Economic Relief

## \$1.9 Trillion Aid Package Passed

- \$1,400 Checks
- \$300 UI Supplements thru Sept.
- \$7.25 B for Payroll Protection Program
- \$350 B for State & Local Aid
- \$128 B for Education
- \$55 B for Restaurants & Transportation

Minimum Wage Increase NOT Included

# COVID-19 Relief Measures

## Vaccine Distribution Accelerating

- 3 Approved Vaccines
- Increased Vaccine Purchases
- All Americans Access by end of May

## COVID Relief in Aid Package

- \$55.5 Billion for Vaccines, PPE, Diagnosis & Tracking




# Climate Change

## Overarching Goal

0 Net Fossil Fuel Emissions by 2050

Climate Change Incorporated Throughout Administration

## Climate Executive Orders Signed

- Recognize Role of Forests in Reducing Carbon
- Goal to protect 30% of U.S. Land by 2030
- Put a Price on Carbon  Carbon Banks
- Environmental Justice Focus

# Key Administration Officials

**White House National Climate Advisor**  
Gina McCarthy

**USDA:** Secretary Tom Vilsack  
Deputy Chief of Staff Robert Bonnie

**DOE:** Secretary Jennifer Granholm

**DOI:** Secretary Deb Haaland

**EPA:** Administrator Michael Regan

# Hardwood Federation Strategy

## Administration

White House  
Council on Env. Quality  
USDA  
Interior  
Energy

## US Senate

Ag, Nutrition & Forestry  
Energy & Nat Resources  
Environment & Pub Works  
Finance  
Appropriations

## US House

Natural Resources  
Agriculture  
Energy & Commerce  
Ways and Means  
Budget

# How to Be Engaged

**Become Informed**

**Become Involved**

**Take Action!**

# Industry Members Have a Role

- Meet Your Elected Officials on your Turf
- Respond to Hardwood Federation Calls to Action
- Attend Hardwood Federation Meetings
- Respond to Local Press
- Talk to Friends and Business Associates
- Financially Support the Hardwood Federation and HFPAC

# Hardwood Federation

If you do not take an interest in the affairs of your government, then you are doomed to live under the rule of fools.

Plato



**HARDWOOD**

---

FEDERATION