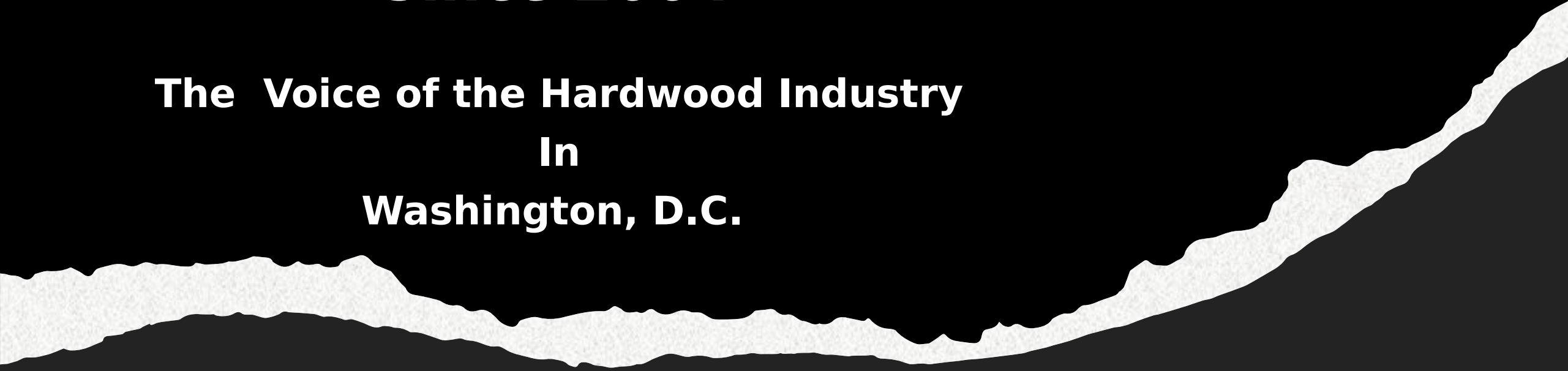


Hardwood Federation

Since 2004

**The Voice of the Hardwood Industry
In
Washington, D.C.**



Our Members – *31 Strong*

Allegheny Hardwood Utilization Group

American Hardwood Export Council

Appalachian Hardwood Manufacturers Inc.

Appalachian Lumbermen's Club

Associated Cooperage Industries of America

Decorative Hardwood Association

Empire State Forest Products Association

Great Lakes Timber Professionals 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 Hardwood Lumber Association

National Wood Flooring Association

National Woodland Owners Association

New England Lumbermen's Association

North Carolina Forestry Association

Northeast Loggers Association

Ohio Forestry Association

Pacific Coast Wholesale Hardwood Distributors

Pennsylvania Forest Products Association

Penn-York Lumbermen's Club

Railway Tie Association

Southern Cypress Manufacturers Association

Southwestern Hardwood Manufacturers Club

Tennessee Forestry Association

Virginia Forest Products Association

West Virginia Forestry Association

Western Hardwood Association

Wood Component Manufacturers Association



Our Mission

The Hardwood Federation's Mission is to represent the united voice of the Hardwood industry and to influence federal policy to:

***Support and Advance* policies that maintain a healthy economic environment for the hardwood business community.**

***Defeat* legislation and policies that work against the success of the Hardwood industry.**

***Maintain* a fair and level playing field in the global market.**

***Ensure* healthy and economically productive public and private hardwood forests**

2026 HF Issues

Some Positives for the Hardwood Industry

Tax Reform

Restore 100% Depreciation✓
Extending 20% Tax Deduction for S-Corps✓
Full Deduction of Interest Expense✓
Estate Tax✓
R&D Tax Credits✓

Farm Bill

MAP/FMD Funding for Export Promotion✓
Wood Innovation Grants - TBD
Funding for Renewable Heat & Power - TBD
Jobs in the Woods Act - TBD

Regulatory Reform

OSHA Heat Rules✓
Old Growth Forests✓
Forest Management✓
NEPA - TBD
ESA - TBD

**Federati
on Key
Focus
2026**

**Trade
and
Tariffs**

Building A Hardwood Action Plan

One Step At A Time

Step One

**Immediate Post
2024 Election
Outreach**

**Congressional
Leaders & Staff**

**Build On Work
and
Connections
Since 2016...
and Before**

**Former Admin
Officials
Potentially Back
for Round Two**

**Old Friends and
New**

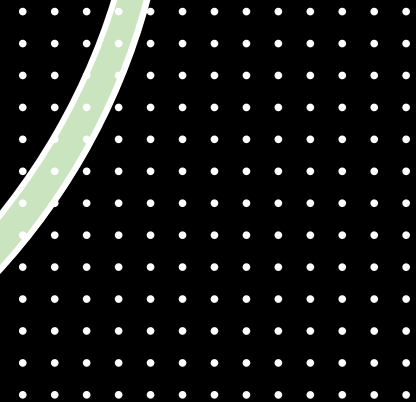
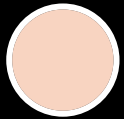
**2016-2020 Staff -
Where Did They
Go? Where Will
They Be?**

Step Two

Develop A Solution:

Simple

**Based on Successful
Agriculture Programs**





Step Three - Build A DC Team And Find the Funding



**Existing
Hardwood
Federation
Team In
Place**



**Additional
Manpower
&
Resources
-
Monument**



**Funding
Raised
From
Industry
Companies**



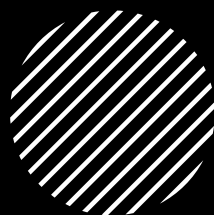
Step Four

**Share the
Problem...**

and the



Solution



**Specialized Website.
Target: Congress and
the Media.**

**Ramp Up D.C. Meetings.
House. Senate. White
House. Departments.
Fly-In Focus.**

**Activate the Industry.
Multiple Action Alerts.
Letter to the
Administration - 450
Signatures.**

Generate Media. Over

**Results
To
Date**

**Champion Secured: GT
Thompson, Chair House
Agriculture Committee**

**Senate Leaders Committed to
Helping Hardwood**

Ongoing Media Coverage

**Language Allocating \$200
Million for Hardwood Producers
Included in Supplemental
Appropriations Bill**

**Multiple Paths to Success
Remain**

A Few More Thoughts

Current status is a result of YEARS of work - since 2018 - and before. Continued conversations about the challenges of the industry have spurred action and interest.

If successful, the establishment of a hardwood relief funding program within USDA will be a major win.

Sometimes it is important to be quiet. We want to avoid being a target for pile on and/or elimination.

**New Trade
and Tariff
Website**

**HardwoodHeartland.c
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National & Loca I Television News

Look Forward 2026

White House and Congress

FY 2026 Remaining Budgets

Farm Bill

**Transportation Bill (Exp.
Sept. 30)**

Regulatory Reform

Global Engagement

Trade Will Continue to Dominate Agenda

Use of Alternative Tariffs

**Continued Trade Tensions &
Changing Trade Patterns**

USMCA Renegotiations

EUDR

The Hardwood Federation - Why???

**“If you're not at the
table, you're on the
menu”**

**We
Need
YOUR
Help**

**Respond to Action
and Requests**

**Educate Your
Elected Officials
In D.C. - Federation Fly-
In
At Your Own Facility**

**Support HF
Financially - We
CANNOT Survive
Without Your
Support**

**Corporate Funds
PAC Dollars**

Questions

