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## Project Background and Justification

California's 33 million acres of forestland is the largest land-based carbon sink in the State, with trees, shrubs, meadows, and forest soils sequestering carbon from the atmosphere. Decades of fire exclusion/suppression compounded by rising average temperatures and reduced precipitation have dramatically increased the size and intensity of California wildfires and bark beetle infestations, threatening the ability of forests to capture and clean water, serve as long-term carbon sinks, and support native biodiversity. To reverse these trends, system-wide changes in forest management and forest product innovation are imperative. To achieve desired goals, the State must increase the pace and scale of forest management and restoration efforts, build local capacity and strengthen regional collaboration, support forest product innovation, and promote the use of forest products.

Core challenges facing forest management activities include the lack of an economically sustainable demand for smaller diameter trees; trees killed by fire, insects, and/or disease; and woody biomass removed during forest management activities. A lack of demand for this material can result in sub-optimal management of forestlands and biomass to uses that are less economically, socially, or environmentally beneficial than desired.

This project, commissioned in 2020 by the Joint Institute for Wood Products Innovation, will take the first steps toward creating viable commercial markets for lesser-utilized California fiber by evaluating the suitability of fir harvested from California forests for use in cross-laminated timber.

The TallWood Design Institute (TDI), a collaborative organization based at Oregon State University and in partnership with the University of Oregon, was contracted to carry out this project.

## Project Team

The TallWood Design Institute is one of the nation's first and only interdisciplinary research collaboratives focusing on the advancement of mass timber and structural wood products building solutions. TDI's primary activities are technical testing, timber construction research, and industry-focused education and outreach. Around 30 professors and their students from the OSU Colleges of Forestry and Engineering and the University of Oregon College of Design are involved in our work, in addition to a large number of external collaborators and stakeholders.

Iain Macdonald, TDI Director, served as overall coordinator of this project and principal point of contact for the Joint Institute. Panel layup and fabrication was carried out by Jörn Dettmer, TDI's previous Technical Manager, Byrne Miyamoto, Structural Testing Coordinator, Collin Barkley, Undergraduate Lab Assistant, and Phillip Mann, our current Technical Manager. Testing was led by Byrne Miyamoto with the assistance of Tyler Deboodt, Faculty Research Associate with the OSU Department of Wood Science and Engineering.

## Project Deliverables

The project entailed completing the following deliverables:

1. Create a detailed work plan and timeline for project completion, including clear explanation of methods and 2 product layups, one using white fir species lumber grade 2 and better (both longitudinal and lateral) and one white fir species lumber grade 2 and better and grade 3 and better (#2 for longitudinal, #3 for lateral);
2. Arrange for procurement and transportation of all necessary project materials;
3. Identify the species composition of the lumber used to fabricate the panels, with an estimate of percentages of each specific species to the extent reasonably possible with on-campus resources;
4. Document fabrication and test procedures for product layups, including images and video clips where appropriate;
5. Provide results of testing, anticipated commercial potential for tested CLT configurations, and recommendations for further research and action; and
6. Disseminate project results using appropriate wood products, media, and other information channels.

## Methodology

Fourteen units of rough white-fir 2x6 material were shipped to our Emmerson Lab from Sierra Pacific Industries in northern California, to be manufactured into cross laminated timber (CLT), processed into testing specimens, and mechanically tested. Eight of these were 10-foot lengths and six were 8-foot lengths. The goal of the project was to perform a preliminary study of the viability of using white fir in CLT, and in addition to evaluate if specific grade differences within the layers would affect the properties of the CLT. To evaluate the white fir as a potential raw material input for CLT, the entire process of manufacturing and processing of 3-ply CLT panels was performed in TDI's Emmerson Lab. Mechanical testing of the fabricated panels was performed in the College of Forestry's Richardson Hall structural testing lab. The material was sorted into two grades, 2 and better (2&btr), and 3 and better (3&btr). Half of the panels were made with a layup consisting of all three layers being 2&btr, while the other half were made with a layup consisting of 2&btr boards on the outside layers and 3&btr boards in the center.

## CLT Panel Fabrication

The panel fabrication process consisted of 6 steps: sorting, planing, adhesive application, panel layup, pressing and CNC fabrication.

## Sorting

Individual boards in each unit of lumber were visually inspected for obvious deficiencies such as excessive bow and twist, and for the presence of rock chips and other foreign matter. Sub-standard boards were rejected. Hand-scanning was then carried out with a metal detector to locate staples that had been inserted during the lumber wrapping process.



Figure 1: Examples of rejected boards

The boards pictured in Figure 1 were rejected due to extremely poor surface quality and excessive twist.

Once sub-standard boards had been removed, the appropriate number of boards needed for each panel were pulled and placed on carts (Figure 2). 50% of our fabricated CLT test panels consisted of #2&btr throughout the panel, and the remaining panels utilized #2&btr for the outer layers and #3&btr for the middle layer. To manufacture one 8' x 10', 3-ply CLT panel (24) 8' boards and (38) 10' boards (19 boards for each face) were needed. Based on the sorting process approximately 283 boards had to be culled due to defects, which was approximately 2 units of wood.



Figure 2: Boards stacked on carts, ready for planing

Planing

Once all of the material was sorted, it was then taken to be planed and primed to approximately 1.375" in thickness and 5.15" width. A Leadermac LMC 460 planer was used to plane the lumber (Figure 3)



Figure 3: Leadermac Planer (left) and primer setup connected to the outfeed of Planer (right)

At the end of the outfeed of the planer a priming system was set up to apply the adhesive primer (Figure 3). A Henkel primer was applied at a spread rate of  $2\text{g}/\text{ft}^2$ , according to Henkel's instructions (Loctite PR 3105)<sup>[1]</sup>. The boards were then allowed to dry for 1-2 hours.

## Adhesive Application

We fabricated the CLT panels using a Henkel polyurethane adhesive (Loctite HB X602 Purbond)<sup>[2]</sup>, which was chosen based on its compliance with the California Air Resources Board (CARB) standards. The recommended spread rate of  $28\text{ lbs}/1000\text{ft}^2$  was verified by weight prior to resin application. A custom-made Apquip resin applicator was used to ensure consistent spread rate throughout the panel. The individual lumber boards (known as *lamella* in CLT manufacturing) were placed on a belt conveyor that passed underneath a curtain of resin.



Figure 4: Resin Applicator

## Panel Layup

From the outfeed of the adhesive applicator the boards were then hand-laid into the infeed tray of the Minda hydraulic press with 19 (10') boards on the bottom face in the strong direction, 24 (8') boards in the center in the weak direction, and another 19 (10') boards on the top face in the strong direction. The layup process was typically completed within 25 – 30 minutes, well within the 60-minute open time of the Henkel polyurethane adhesive (Loctite HB X602 Purbond)<sup>[2]</sup>.

Table 1: CLT Panel Layup Characteristics

| Layer  | Board Quantity | Board Dimensions     |
|--------|----------------|----------------------|
| Top    | 24             | 10' x 5.15" x 1.375" |
| Middle | 19             | 8' x 5.15" x 1.375"  |
| Bottom | 24             | 10' x 5.15" x 1.375" |

Pressing

Once all the boards were placed in the press, the press was closed and set for the required pressure of the PUR adhesive, which was 120 psi (Figure 1c). The press used was a custom-built Minda CLT press which is equipped with 12 linear actuators (Figures 5 and 6). Figure 7 shows a completed panel exiting the press.

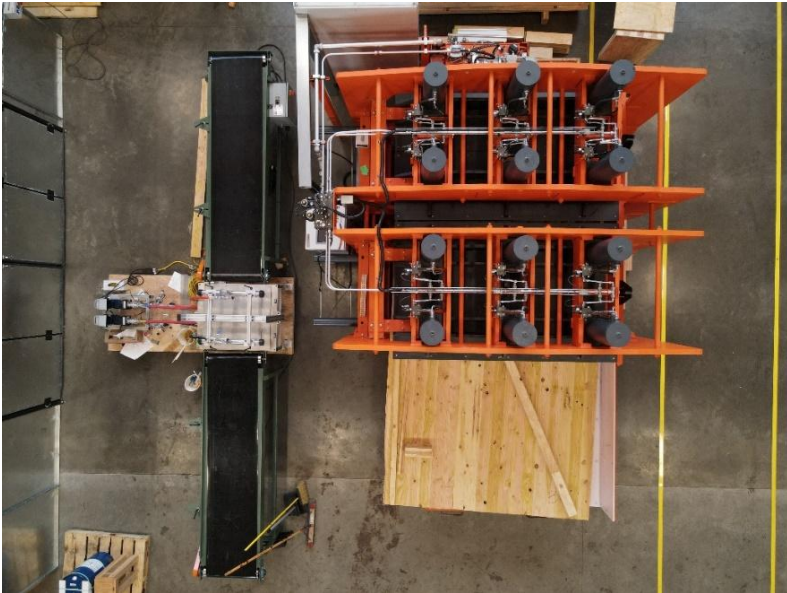


Figure 5: Apquip resin applicator (Left) and Minda press (Right)





Figure 6: Apquip resin applicator and Minda press



Figure 7: CLT panel immediately after pressing

The close time for the press was approximately 4 hours. The approximate time taken to complete the entire process to create one panel was around 6-7 hours.

In the process of manufacturing, 2 panels had to be culled. The first panel was culled due to a malfunction with the primer system, causing the boards to be improperly primed. The second panel was

culled due to an inaccurate glue spread in half the panel, due to a lack of adhesive in the system when pressing. Both of these defects were generally attributable to teething troubles with these new pieces of equipment.

## CNC Fabrication

The processing of the CLT panels was performed on a Biesse Uniteam UT-9 five-axis computer numerical control (CNC) machine (Figure 8).



Figure 8: (Left) CNC panels about to be lifted into CNC, (Center) CNC performing ripping operation on panels, and (Right) CNC performing cross-cutting of panels

Each panel was ripped into a total of 7 (12" x 120") strips and then labeled with the panel number (1-14) and the location of the panel (A-G). Strips A, B, D, F, and G were put aside for long span testing, while strips C and E were cut down further for short span testing, shear block testing, and delamination testing. The cutting pattern can be seen in Figure 9.

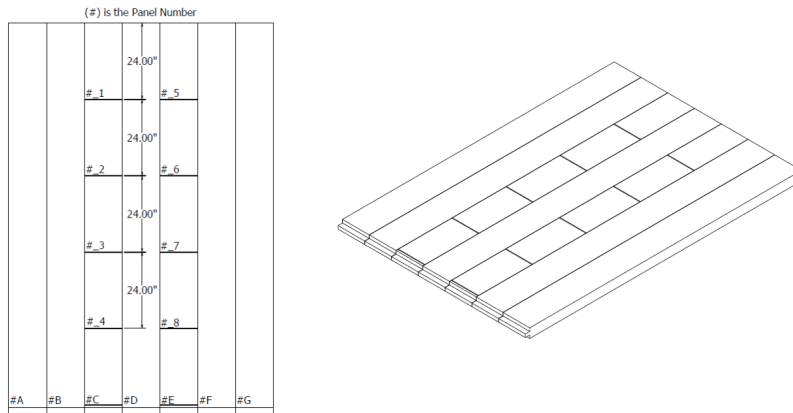


Figure 9: Panel cutting layout.

## Testing

Mechanical testing was performed on the processed samples to analyze the mechanical properties of the panel and to evaluate the integrity of the adhesive bonds. The first two tests (Shear Block and Cyclic Delamination) looked at the bond strength of the adhesive to the wood by mechanically testing the bond line (Shear Block) as well as performing advanced weathering of the samples (Cyclic Delamination). In addition to the mechanical testing, the physical properties of the CLT were measured to obtain the moisture content of the samples just prior to testing and to find the specific gravity of the White-fir CLT.

## Shear Block

Shear Block samples were cut from the 3" x 3" blocks to then be cut into stair step samples as seen in Figure 10a and 10b. The Samples were tested following the AITC Test Method for Structural Glued Laminated Timber. The samples were placed into a shear testing apparatus (Figure 10c) and loaded at a rate of 0.025 in/min, until failure. Once the sample failed the bond area was sheared off completely to expose the bonded area. The samples were visually evaluated to determine the failure type and the percentage of wood vs. adhesive failure.

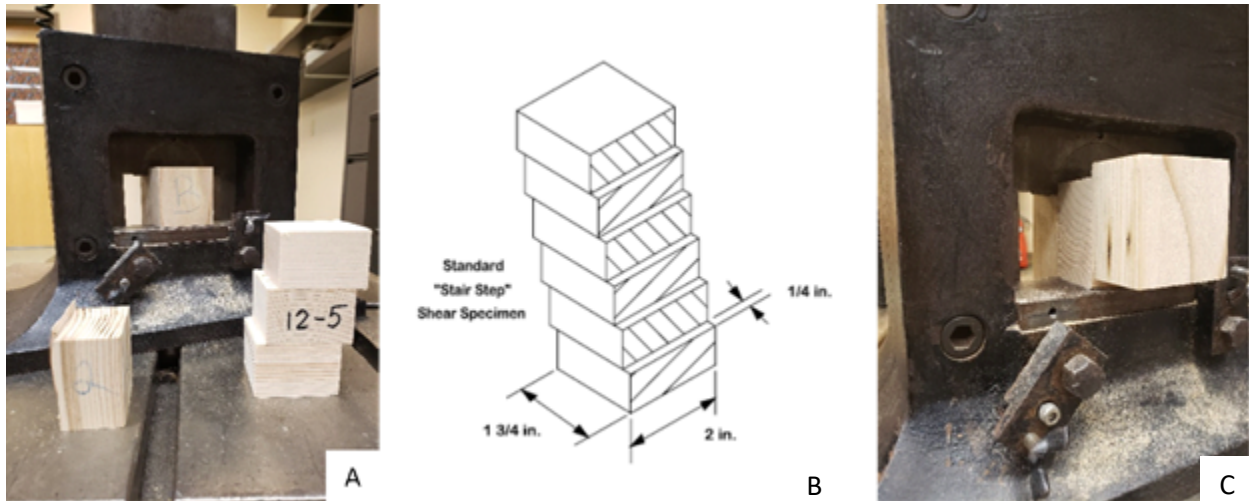


Figure 10: (A) Shear block sample next to testing apparatus, (B) Typical shear block diagram, and (C) Shear block sample in testing apparatus

The sample averages can be seen in Table 2, while the full results can be seen in Appendix A. The table shows the averages for the panels' max load, shear stress, and wood vs. adhesive percentage failure.

Table 2: Shear Block Averages

| ID  | Grade | Stat  | Max Load (lbf) | Shear Strength (PSI) | Wood Failure (%) |
|-----|-------|-------|----------------|----------------------|------------------|
| 1_3 | 2     | Mean  | 1903.63        | 475.91               | 91.43            |
|     |       | StDev | 668.84         | 167.21               | 25.75            |
|     |       | COV   | 0.35           | 0.35                 | 0.28             |
| 2_7 | 2     | Mean  | 1316.77        | 329.19               | 87.27            |
|     |       | StDev | 444.49         | 111.12               | 23.54            |
|     |       | COV   | 0.34           | 0.34                 | 0.27             |
| 4_1 | 2     | Mean  | 2061.70        | 515.43               | 89.55            |
|     |       | StDev | 816.97         | 204.24               | 25.63            |
|     |       | COV   | 0.40           | 0.40                 | 0.29             |
| 5_3 | 2     | Mean  | 1800.88        | 450.22               | 97.50            |
|     |       | StDev | 690.18         | 172.54               | 8.34             |
|     |       | COV   | 0.38           | 0.38                 | 0.09             |
| 9_1 | 3     | Mean  | 1642.63        | 410.66               | 74.36            |
|     |       | StDev | 650.19         | 162.55               | 34.89            |

|      |   |       |         |        |       |
|------|---|-------|---------|--------|-------|
|      |   | COV   | 0.40    | 0.40   | 0.47  |
| 10_3 | 3 | Mean  | 1610.90 | 402.73 | 93.90 |
|      |   | StDev | 440.75  | 110.19 | 14.53 |
|      |   | COV   | 0.27    | 0.27   | 0.15  |
| 12_5 | 3 | Mean  | 1478.37 | 369.59 | 87.50 |
|      |   | StDev | 547.88  | 136.97 | 25.30 |
|      |   | COV   | 0.37    | 0.37   | 0.29  |

The shear blocks had a total average of approximately 420 PSI with an average wood failure of 90%. The PRG 320 minimum requirements state that the percentage of samples that experience wood failure versus adhesive bond failure should be no less than 80%. In total 27 out of 146 samples failed to reach the 80% mark. Most of the failed samples contained knots, and these are likely to have negatively affected adhesive penetration.

### Cyclic Delamination

Delamination samples were cut from the 12" x 25" samples and processed into 3" x 3" cubes to be tested. The cyclic delamination test was performed following the AITC T110-2007 for cyclic delamination. There were two sample types that were tested, the first being 5 blocks from 6 random panels at different locations. The second sample type was from panel 1, strip E, and block 8. Figure 11 shows the exact locations from which the samples were taken.

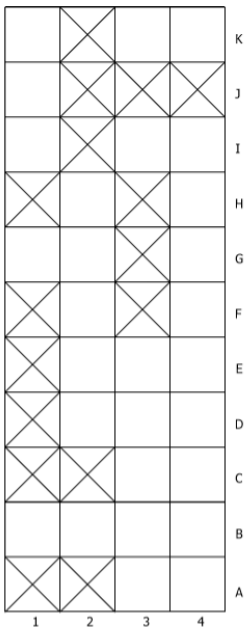


Figure 11: Delamination sample group 2 from Panel 1, strip E, Block 8

The testing utilized a single soak-dry cycle, using a pressure/vacuum vessel and an air circulating oven (Figure 12). The testing procedure began by recording the initial weights of the samples before placing them into the vessel. The samples were then submerged in water and then had a vacuum force applied for 30 minutes at approximately 12.3 psi. Once the 30-minute vacuum had elapsed the vessel was then pressurized for 2 hours at approximately 75 psi. After the pressure cycle was complete the samples were removed from the vessel and placed into an air circulating oven at 160°F. The samples would remain in the oven until they reached approximately 15% of the sample’s initial weights. The drying process took approximately 10 to 15 hours for the samples to dry down to 15% of their initial weight.



Figure 12: (a) Vacuum/Pressure Vessel, (b) Air Circulating Oven with Samples, and (c) Top: Samples after soaking, Bottom: Samples after drying

Once the samples were dry, they were analyzed for delamination. The bond line of each sample was examined for any delamination and then marked and measured. Samples that contained defects such as knots were omitted from the totals, as per the guidelines in the PRG-320 standard. A percentage was calculated based on the measured delamination and the total length of the bond line. The averages for the panels can be seen in Table 3. In the table the samples' average delamination percentage for the top and bottom bond lines is shown. The full results for each specimen and each bond line can be seen in Appendix B.

Table 3: Cyclic Delamination Averages

| ID    | Stat  | % Top Bond Line | % Bottom Bond Line |
|-------|-------|-----------------|--------------------|
| 2_7   | Mean  | 9.6             | 0.0                |
|       | StDev | 0.5             | 0.0                |
|       | COV   | 0.1             | 0.0                |
| 4_1   | Mean  | 0.0             | 0.0                |
|       | StDev | 0.0             | 0.0                |
|       | COV   | 0.0             | 0.0                |
| 5_3   | Mean  | 11.4            | 0.0                |
|       | StDev | 11.8            | 0.0                |
|       | COV   | 1.0             | 0.0                |
| 9_1   | Mean  | 8.9             | 1.1                |
|       | StDev | 15.6            | 2.3                |
|       | COV   | 1.8             | 2.2                |
| 10_3  | Mean  | 5.0             | 1.8                |
|       | StDev | 5.8             | 3.5                |
|       | COV   | 1.2             | 2.0                |
| 12_5  | Mean  | 12.5            | 11.2               |
|       | StDev | 19.1            | 18.2               |
|       | COV   | 1.5             | 1.6                |
| 1_E_8 | Mean  | 3.4             | 2.9                |
|       | StDev | 6.6             | 5.7                |
|       | COV   | 1.9             | 1.6                |

The delamination test saw approximately 28% of the samples fail, with 10 out of the 36 samples not passing and 11 samples omitted for defects. The PRG 320 standard states that the percentage of samples that delaminate should not exceed 5%. Many of the omitted samples had failed due to delamination at the knots.

### Moisture Content and Specific Gravity

The moisture content and specific gravity samples were cut from the off cuts of both the shear block and delamination samples. The specimens were cut to approximately 2" x 4.5" and had their initial weight and volume recorded. The samples were tested following the ASTM Standards D4442 and D2395 for obtaining moisture content and specific gravity. The samples were placed into an oven set at 103°C for approximately 48 hours. After the 48 hours of drying were complete, the samples were removed,



and had their weights and dimensions recorded immediately. Below are the formulas for moisture content and specific gravity.

Moisture Content:

$$MC\% = \frac{A - B}{B} \times 100$$

Where A is the original mass and B is the oven dry mass in grams

Oven-dry Specific Gravity:

$$S_o = \frac{K m_o}{V_o}$$

Where  $S_o$  is oven dry specific gravity, K constant determined by units used to measure mass and volume,  $m_o$  is the oven-dry mass, and  $V_o$  is the oven-dry volume.

The average moisture content of the CLT was approximately 10.8% when tested, with a specific gravity of approximately 0.4. The full set of data can be seen in Appendix E, showing both the moisture content and specific gravity values.

### Long-Span Flexure

The long-span flexure test specimens used the 12" x 120" strips that were cut from each panel. The samples were tested in 3<sup>rd</sup>-point bending following the ASTM D198-15 Standard Test Methods of Static Tests of Lumber in Structural Sizes. The samples were tested as a total span of 114" with a mid-span of 38" (1/3 of the total span). The center deflection of the samples was measured with a Linear Variable Differential Transformer (LVDT) attached to a yoke that spanned the entire sample (Figure 13). The samples were tested at a rate of 0.25 in/minute until failure, and had the actuator deflection, center deflection, load, and failure type recorded.



Figure 13: (A) Test Specimen, (B) Test specimen after bridge is removed, and (C) Tension failure of Specimen.

The recorded data was then used to calculate the Modulus of Rupture (MOR) and the Modulus of Elasticity (MOE),  $E_{app}$ . Formula 1 is the calculation for the MOR:

$$MOR = \frac{P_{max} l}{bd^2}$$

Where  $P_{max}$  is the max load (lbf),  $l$  is the testing span (in),  $b$  is the width of the sample (in), and  $d$  is the thickness of the sample (in).

Formula 2 is the calculation used to find the MOE or  $E_{app}$ :

$$MOE = \frac{23Pl^3}{108bd^3\Delta}$$

Where  $P_{max}$  is the max load (lbf),  $l$  is the testing span (in),  $b$  is the width of the sample (in),  $d$  is the thickness of the sample(in), and  $\Delta$  is the change in deflection corresponding to the load.

Tables 4 and 5 illustrate the data summary for the flexure test for both lumber grades. In the tables the averages for the panels' Max Load, Modulus of Rupture, and Modulus of Elasticity are shown.

Table 4: Grades 2 and Better Long-Span 3rd Point Flexure Averages

| Grade: 2 and better |       |                |           |           |
|---------------------|-------|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Panel               | Stat  | Max Load (lbf) | MOR (PSI) | MOE (PSI) |
| 1                   | Mean  | 6942           | 3876      | 1647306   |
| 1                   | StDev | 1333           | 744       | 596351    |
| 1                   | COV   | 0.19           | 0.19      | 0.36      |
| 2                   | Mean  | 8707           | 4861      | 1349292   |
| 2                   | StDev | 872            | 487       | 107725    |
| 2                   | COV   | 0.10           | 0.10      | 0.08      |
| 4                   | Mean  | 7785           | 4346      | 1344306   |
| 4                   | StDev | 1758           | 981       | 81979     |
| 4                   | COV   | 0.23           | 0.23      | 0.06      |
| 5                   | Mean  | 9145           | 5106      | 1351920   |
| 5                   | StDev | 1476           | 824       | 127561    |
| 5                   | COV   | 0.16           | 0.16      | 0.09      |
| 11                  | Mean  | 9622           | 5372      | 1406123   |
| 11                  | StDev | 1193           | 666       | 117778    |
| 11                  | COV   | 0.12           | 0.12      | 0.08      |
| 13                  | Mean  | 8086           | 4515      | 1176865   |
| 13                  | StDev | 1312           | 733       | 90655     |
| 13                  | COV   | 0.16           | 0.16      | 0.08      |

Table 5: Grades 3 and Better Long-Span 3rd Point Flexure Averages

| Grade: 3 and better |       |                |           |           |
|---------------------|-------|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| Panel               | Stat  | Max Load (lbf) | MOR (PSI) | MOE (PSI) |
| 6                   | Mean  | 8013           | 4474      | 1238021   |
| 6                   | StDev | 1405           | 784       | 120353    |
| 6                   | COV   | 0.18           | 0.18      | 0.10      |
| 7                   | Mean  | 8792           | 4909      | 1382913   |
| 7                   | StDev | 2480           | 1384      | 123520    |
| 7                   | COV   | 0.28           | 0.28      | 0.09      |
| 8                   | Mean  | 9290           | 5187      | 1447185   |
| 8                   | StDev | 1672           | 934       | 52875     |
| 8                   | COV   | 0.18           | 0.18      | 0.04      |
| 9                   | Mean  | 9583           | 5350      | 1426448   |

|    |       |      |      |         |
|----|-------|------|------|---------|
| 9  | StDev | 1456 | 813  | 92066   |
| 9  | COV   | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.06    |
| 10 | Mean  | 9637 | 5381 | 1352204 |
| 10 | StDev | 2324 | 1298 | 98586   |
| 10 | COV   | 0.24 | 0.24 | 0.07    |
| 12 | Mean  | 8645 | 4827 | 1313649 |
| 12 | StDev | 1589 | 887  | 105420  |
| 12 | COV   | 0.18 | 0.18 | 0.08    |

The average MOR came to be approximately 4850 PSI, while the average MOE was approximately 1,259,710 PSI for all the CLT panels. When comparing data to other studies, Douglas-fir and Radiata Pine had MOR values of 5035 PSI and 3770 PSI, respectively, as well as MOE values of 1,260,378 PSI and 1,147,684 PSI, respectively (Wang et al. & Concu et al.). When comparing the averages of the MOR and MOE of the 2&BTR and 3&BTR there seemed to be little difference. **A Statistical analysis should be conducted for further investigation.**

### Short-Span Flexure

The short-span flexure test specimens used the 12" x 24" strips that were cut from each panel. The samples were tested in center point bending following the ASTM D198-15 Standard Test Methods of Static Tests of Lumber in Structural Sizes. The testing used a span to depth ratio of 5.3:1, making a span of 22". The samples were tested at a rate of 0.1 in/minute until failure, and had the actuator deflection, load, and failure type recorded.

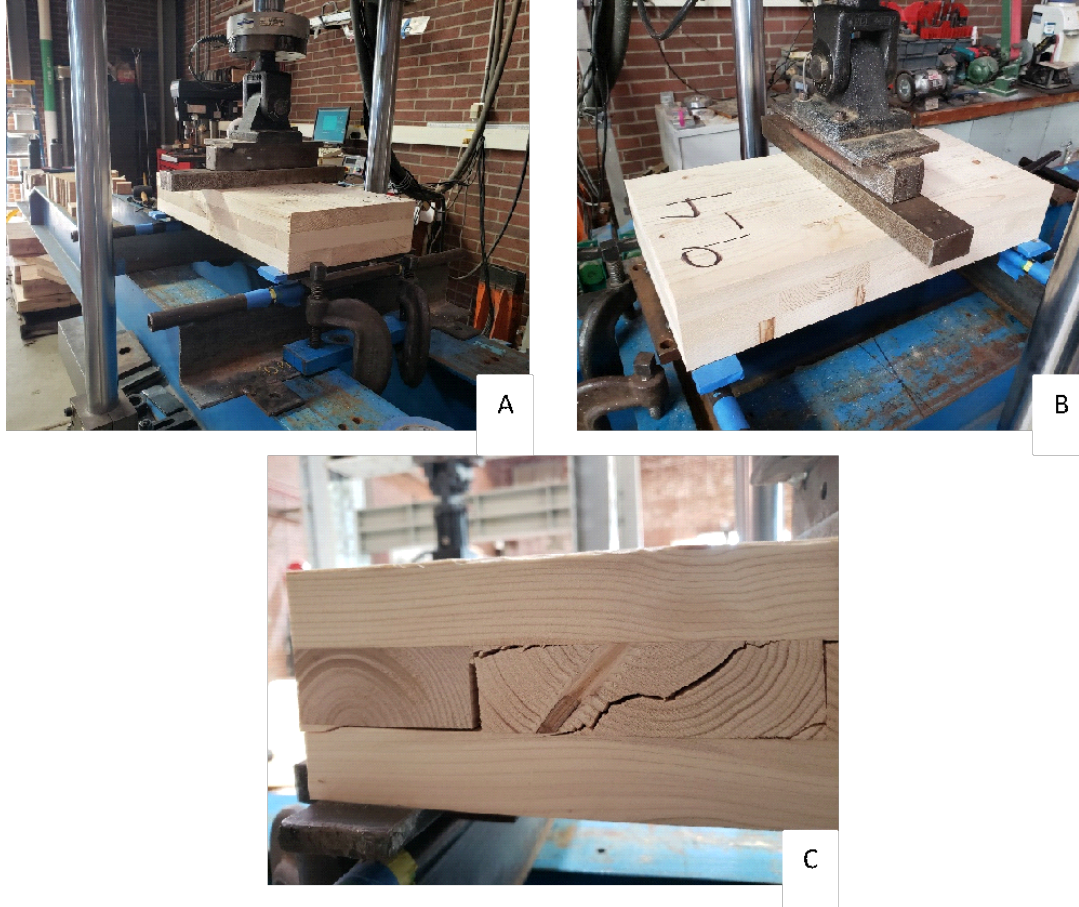


Figure 14: (A) and (B) short span testing setup side and top view, respectively. (C) Typical sample failure, failing in shear

The recorded data was then used to calculate the shear strength,  $f_v$ . Formula 3 is the calculation for the shear stress:

$$f_v = \frac{3P_{max}}{4bd}$$

Where  $P_{max}$  is the max load,  $b$  is the width of the sample, and  $d$  is the thickness of the sample.

Table 6 and 7 illustrates the results of the flexure test. In the table the samples ID, Max Load, Shear Stress, and failure type are logged.

Table 6: Grades 2 and Better Short-Span 3-Point Flexure Averages

| 2 and better |       |                |          |
|--------------|-------|----------------|----------|
| Panel        | Stat  | Max Load (lbf) | Fv (PSI) |
| 1            | Mean  | 19953          | 302      |
|              | StDev | 1125           | 17       |
|              | COV   | 0.06           | 0.06     |
| 2            | Mean  | 20608          | 312      |
|              | StDev | 2464           | 37       |
|              | COV   | 0.12           | 0.12     |
| 4            | Mean  | 20351          | 308      |
|              | StDev | 6408           | 97       |
|              | COV   | 0.31           | 0.31     |
| 5            | Mean  | 21262          | 322      |
|              | StDev | 3363           | 51       |
|              | COV   | 0.16           | 0.16     |
| 11           | Mean  | 22544          | 342      |
|              | StDev | 1214           | 18       |
|              | COV   | 0.05           | 0.05     |
| 13           | Mean  | 21349          | 323      |
|              | StDev | 759            | 11       |
|              | COV   | 0.04           | 0.04     |

Table7: Grades 3 and Better Short-Span 3-Point Flexure Averages

| 3 and better |       |                |          |
|--------------|-------|----------------|----------|
| Panel        | Stat  | Max Load (lbf) | Fv (PSI) |
| 3            | Mean  | 16701          | 253      |
|              | StDev | 1441           | 22       |
|              | COV   | 0.09           | 0.09     |
| 6            | Mean  | 20542          | 311      |
|              | StDev | 797            | 12       |
|              | COV   | 0.04           | 0.04     |
| 7            | Mean  | 19148          | 290      |
|              | StDev | 497            | 8        |
|              | COV   | 0.03           | 0.03     |
| 10           | Mean  | 22853          | 346      |
|              | StDev | 1336           | 20       |
|              | COV   | 0.06           | 0.06     |
| 12           | Mean  | 19328          | 293      |

|  |       |      |      |
|--|-------|------|------|
|  | StDev | 2764 | 42   |
|  | COV   | 0.14 | 0.14 |

The overall average for the short-span shear strength was approximately 308 PSI with a coefficient of variation of approximately 14%. The samples all failed in shear near or at the bond line, with many showing rolling shear as seen in Figure 13c. Similarly to the long-span testing, the two different grades showed little difference in their average shear strength, with 2&btr at 319 PSI and 3&btr at 296 PSI.

## Conclusions

3-ply CLT panels were fabricated using lumber from the white-fir species group and a variety of mechanical and physical testing was performed. The white-fir material required a significant amount of sorting to allow for proper planing, and during this sorting process boards with excessive twist, bow, and knots were rejected. Once pressed, the panels were cut into the proper sample dimensions and then tested.

The physical testing (shear block and delamination) showed there was reasonably good adhesive bonding with 72% of the delamination samples passing. By limiting the number of defects within the boards, better adhesive properties can be achieved, since knots and other defects can cause improper adhesive penetration. This was also seen in the shear block testing, with the samples that did not pass the inspection failing at knots.

The mechanical properties of the white-fir CLT showed to be similar to those obtained in prior studies performed on Douglas-fir and radiata pine. The tested samples had similar averages to that of an V1 panel as specified in the PRG 320 and failed in the typical failure mode of tension and shear.

We recommend that further investigation be conducted on the manufacturing of white-fir into CLT, by looking at other potential adhesives, as well as using white-fir that is sorted based on its mechanical properties by using machine stress ratings (MSR). Other steps that could be considered would be to have a commercial CLT manufacturer produce test panels and compare data from the lab fabrication and the commercial fabrication. Within commercial fabrication of CLT panels there are other factors that may affect the results. These include the finger jointing process, open/close times being reduced for higher efficiency, and automated assembly rather than hand layup.

## Project Challenges

This project was impacted by a number of challenges that resulted in some scaling back of deliverables and schedule delays. Firstly, the project commenced during a series of wildfires, unprecedented in scale,

that affected California, Oregon and Washington in August to October 2020. The fires meant that plans to collect samples from the working forests from which lumber was sourced had to be shelved. This, in turn, meant that it was not possible to use the USDA Wood Identification and Screening Center facilities at Oregon State University to analyze the precise species composition of the purchased lumber. TDI staff conferred with JIWPI regarding this issue and it was decided to move ahead with the testing without performing the species breakdown analysis.

COVID 19 also caused supply chain delays which impacted the project. TDI was in the process of designing a custom-made adhesive application system in early 2020, and this was a vital piece of equipment for ensuring accurate spread of adhesive across the CLT panel layers. The lead time for this equipment was delayed both by the wildfires (the supplier's facility in Southern Oregon was evacuated for several days) as well as by parts delays caused by business shutdowns related to COVID-19. As a result, the equipment was delivered and installed several months later than planned, and the TDI technical team had less time than was expected to calibrate, configure and test the new system prior to the start of the project. This did result in some teething troubles that caused two panels to be rejected, as is described elsewhere in this report.

Research activities were also temporarily halted several times during the period from September 2020 to February 2021 due to some students and staff of TDI and the OSU College of Forestry testing positive for COVID-19. This necessitated quarantining of key technical staff involved in fabricating the panels and conducting the tests. During these periods no technical work in our labs was possible.



## Appendices

### Appendix A: Shear Block Test Results

| ID  | Grade | #  | Side | Max Load<br>(lbf) | Shear Strength<br>(PSI) | Glue Failure (%) |
|-----|-------|----|------|-------------------|-------------------------|------------------|
| 1_3 | 2     | 1  | A    | 1341              | 335                     | 0                |
| 1_3 | 2     | 1  | B    | 1227              | 307                     | 0                |
| 1_3 | 2     | 2  | A    | 1598              | 400                     | 0                |
| 1_3 | 2     | 2  | B    | 2455              | 614                     | 95               |
| 1_3 | 2     | 3  | A    | 1152              | 288                     | 0                |
| 1_3 | 2     | 3  | B    | 2186              | 547                     | 0                |
| 1_3 | 2     | 4  | A    | 1776              | 444                     | 0                |
| 1_3 | 2     | 4  | B    | 2968              | 742                     | 0                |
| 1_3 | 2     | 5  | A    | 1543              | 386                     | 0                |
| 1_3 | 2     | 5  | B    | 1361              | 340                     | 0                |
| 1_3 | 2     | 6  | A    | 1683              | 421                     | 25               |
| 1_3 | 2     | 6  | B    | 1488              | 372                     | 0                |
| 1_3 | 2     | 7  | A    | 2744              | 686                     | 0                |
| 1_3 | 2     | 7  | B    | 3128              | 782                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 1  | A    | 2852              | 713                     | 25               |
| 2_7 | 2     | 1  | B    | 1084              | 271                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 2  | A    | 1212              | 303                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 2  | B    | 915               | 229                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 3  | A    | 1572              | 393                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 3  | B    | 1139              | 285                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 4  | A    | 1466              | 366                     | 95               |
| 2_7 | 2     | 4  | B    | 1363              | 341                     | 30               |
| 2_7 | 2     | 5  | A    | 1218              | 305                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 5  | B    | 830               | 208                     | 25               |
| 2_7 | 2     | 6  | A    | 1363              | 341                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 6  | B    | 1615              | 404                     | 50               |
| 2_7 | 2     | 7  | A    | 1489              | 372                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 7  | B    | 1116              | 279                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 8  | A    | 1699              | 425                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 8  | B    | 1528              | 382                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 9  | A    | 1013              | 253                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 9  | B    | 709               | 177                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 10 | A    | 1642              | 411                     | 0                |
| 2_7 | 2     | 10 | B    | 1182              | 295                     | 25               |
| 2_7 | 2     | 11 | A    | 1115              | 279                     | 0                |

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| 2_7 | 2 | 11 | B | 847  | 212 | 30 |
| 4_1 | 2 | 1  | A | 2988 | 747 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 1  | B | 1924 | 481 | 10 |
| 4_1 | 2 | 2  | A | 2430 | 607 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 2  | B | 1294 | 324 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 3  | A | 2737 | 684 | 10 |
| 4_1 | 2 | 3  | B | 2579 | 645 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 4  | A | 2204 | 551 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 4  | B | 1466 | 367 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 5  | A | 1847 | 462 | 5  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 5  | B | 764  | 191 | 85 |
| 4_1 | 2 | 6  | A | 3607 | 902 | 25 |
| 4_1 | 2 | 6  | B | 2917 | 729 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 7  | A | 1805 | 451 | 5  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 7  | B | 1608 | 402 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 8  | A | 2957 | 739 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 8  | B | 1381 | 345 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 9  | A | 602  | 150 | 90 |
| 4_1 | 2 | 9  | B | 980  | 245 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 10 | A | 2868 | 717 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 10 | B | 2092 | 523 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 11 | A | 1461 | 365 | 0  |
| 4_1 | 2 | 11 | B | 2846 | 712 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 1  | A | 1642 | 411 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 1  | B | 1432 | 358 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 2  | A | 2456 | 614 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 2  | B | 1052 | 263 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 3  | A | 1967 | 492 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 3  | B | 1331 | 333 | 10 |
| 5_3 | 2 | 4  | A | 2762 | 691 | 40 |
| 5_3 | 2 | 4  | B | 2233 | 558 | 5  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 5  | A | 1594 | 399 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 5  | B | 1600 | 400 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 6  | A | 3868 | 967 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 6  | B | 2577 | 644 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 7  | A | 1381 | 345 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 7  | B | 1079 | 270 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 8  | A | 990  | 248 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 8  | B | 1173 | 293 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 9  | A | 2473 | 618 | 0  |
| 5_3 | 2 | 9  | B | 2018 | 505 | 0  |

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| 5_3  | 2 | 10 | A | 2217 | 554 | 5  |
| 5_3  | 2 | 10 | B | 1872 | 468 | 0  |
| 5_3  | 2 | 11 | A | 1245 | 311 | 0  |
| 5_3  | 2 | 11 | B | 1000 | 250 | 0  |
| 5_3  | 2 | 12 | A | 1468 | 367 | 0  |
| 5_3  | 2 | 12 | B | 1789 | 447 | 0  |
| 9_1  | 3 | 1  | A | 2147 | 537 | 25 |
| 9_1  | 3 | 1  | B | 1691 | 423 | 0  |
| 9_1  | 3 | 2  | A | 1026 | 257 | 70 |
| 9_1  | 3 | 2  | B | 1825 | 456 | 70 |
| 9_1  | 3 | 3  | A | 1725 | 431 | 0  |
| 9_1  | 3 | 3  | B | 1369 | 342 | 0  |
| 9_1  | 3 | 4  | A | 1921 | 480 | 15 |
| 9_1  | 3 | 4  | B | 765  | 191 | 95 |
| 9_1  | 3 | 5  | A | 248  | 62  | 99 |
| 9_1  | 3 | 5  | B | 1822 | 455 | 55 |
| 9_1  | 3 | 6  | A | 1881 | 470 | 0  |
| 9_1  | 3 | 6  | B | 1353 | 338 | 0  |
| 9_1  | 3 | 7  | A | 1547 | 387 | 20 |
| 9_1  | 3 | 7  | B | 1216 | 304 | 0  |
| 9_1  | 3 | 8  | A | 3144 | 786 | 0  |
| 9_1  | 3 | 8  | B | 1894 | 473 | 0  |
| 9_1  | 3 | 9  | A | 1688 | 422 | 10 |
| 9_1  | 3 | 9  | B | 2205 | 551 | 0  |
| 9_1  | 3 | 10 | A | 2820 | 705 | 0  |
| 9_1  | 3 | 10 | B | 754  | 189 | 80 |
| 9_1  | 3 | 11 | A | 1813 | 453 | 0  |
| 9_1  | 3 | 11 | B | 1285 | 321 | 25 |
| 10_3 | 3 | 1  | A | 1051 | 263 | 0  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 1  | B | 897  | 224 | 0  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 2  | A | 1430 | 357 | 10 |
| 10_3 | 3 | 2  | B | 1589 | 397 | 0  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 3  | A | 2584 | 646 | 0  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 3  | B | 2229 | 557 | 0  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 4  | A | 1955 | 489 | 0  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 4  | B | 1168 | 292 | 50 |
| 10_3 | 3 | 5  | A | 1178 | 294 | 0  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 5  | B | 1658 | 415 | 10 |
| 10_3 | 3 | 6  | A | 2327 | 582 | 45 |
| 10_3 | 3 | 6  | B | 1598 | 400 | 0  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 7  | A | 1897 | 474 | 0  |

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| 10_3 | 3 | 7  | B | 1527 | 382 | 2  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 9  | A | 1204 | 301 | 0  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 9  | B | 1454 | 363 | 0  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 10 | A | 1402 | 350 | 0  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 10 | B | 1891 | 473 | 5  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 11 | A | 1799 | 450 | 0  |
| 10_3 | 3 | 11 | B | 1380 | 345 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 1  | A | 1783 | 446 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 1  | B | 1509 | 377 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 2  | A | 1351 | 338 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 2  | B | 1414 | 354 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 3  | A | 497  | 124 | 60 |
| 12_5 | 3 | 3  | B | 1376 | 344 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 4  | A | 1260 | 315 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 4  | B | 1006 | 251 | 75 |
| 12_5 | 3 | 5  | A | 2273 | 568 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 5  | B | 816  | 204 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 6  | A | 1151 | 288 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 6  | B | 919  | 230 | 70 |
| 12_5 | 3 | 7  | A | 1253 | 313 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 7  | B | 941  | 235 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 8  | A | 2494 | 623 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 8  | B | 2738 | 685 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 9  | A | 1902 | 476 | 5  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 9  | B | 1559 | 390 | 50 |
| 12_5 | 3 | 10 | A | 1366 | 342 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 10 | B | 1887 | 472 | 15 |
| 12_5 | 3 | 11 | A | 1260 | 315 | 0  |
| 12_5 | 3 | 11 | B | 1769 | 442 | 0  |

## Appendix B: Delamination Test Results

| ID   | # | BL1 | BL2 | BL3 | BL4 | BL5 | BL6 | BL7 | BL8 | % Top BL | % Bottom BL |
|------|---|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----------|-------------|
| 2_7  | 1 | 0   | 0   | 37  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 9.3      | 0.0         |
| 2_7  | 5 | 0   | 0   | 17  | 0   | 23  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 10.0     | 0.0         |
| 4_1  | 1 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.0      | 0.0         |
| 4_1  | 2 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.0      | 0.0         |
| 4_1  | 3 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.0      | 0.0         |
| 4_1  | 4 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.0      | 0.0         |
| 4_1  | 5 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.0      | 0.0         |
| 5_3  | 1 | 12  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 3.0      | 0.0         |
| 5_3  | 3 | 79  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 19.8     | 0.0         |
| 9_1  | 1 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.0      | 0.0         |
| 9_1  | 2 | 0   | 0   | 21  | 0   | 100 | 0   | 23  | 0   | 36.0     | 0.0         |
| 9_1  | 3 | 0   | 0   | 33  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 8.3      | 0.0         |
| 9_1  | 4 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 21  | 0.0      | 5.3         |
| 9_1  | 5 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.0      | 0.0         |
| 10_3 | 2 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.0      | 0.0         |
| 10_3 | 3 | 37  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 14  | 0   | 14  | 9.3      | 7.0         |
| 10_3 | 4 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.0      | 0.0         |
| 10_3 | 5 | 43  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 10.8     | 0.0         |
| 12_5 | 1 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.0      | 0.0         |
| 12_5 | 2 | 85  | 10  | 50  | 27  | 48  | 29  | 0   | 100 | 45.8     | 41.5        |
| 12_5 | 3 | 37  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 9.3      | 0.0         |
| 12_5 | 4 | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0   | 0.0      | 0.0         |
| 12_5 | 5 | 29  | 16  | 0   | 0   | 0   | 41  | 0   | 0   | 7.3      | 14.3        |

## Appendix C: Long-Span Flexure Test Results

| Specimen | Panel | Location | Grade | Max Load (lbf) | MOR (PSI) | MOE (PSI) |
|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1_A      | 1     | A        | 2     | 6022           | 3362      | 1294648   |
| 1_B      | 1     | B        | 2     | 5178           | 2891      | 2647261   |
| 1_D      | 1     | D        | 2     | 7191           | 4015      | 1172119   |
| 1_F      | 1     | F        | 2     | 7917           | 4420      | 1391475   |
| 1_G      | 1     | G        | 2     | 8404           | 4692      | 1731027   |
| 2_A      | 2     | A        | 2     | 9451           | 5277      | 1466078   |
| 2_B      | 2     | B        | 2     | 9636           | 5380      | 1466800   |
| 2_D      | 2     | D        | 2     | 8706           | 4861      | 1274327   |
| 2_F      | 2     | F        | 2     | 7534           | 4207      | 1251483   |
| 2_G      | 2     | G        | 2     | 8206           | 4581      | 1287770   |
| 4_A      | 4     | A        | 2     | 6793           | 3793      | 1295390   |
| 4_B      | 4     | B        | 2     | 5729           | 3198      | 1328370   |
| 4_D      | 4     | D        | 2     | 8435           | 4709      | 1469006   |
| 4_F      | 4     | F        | 2     | 7598           | 4242      | 1373095   |
| 4_G      | 4     | G        | 2     | 10371          | 5790      | 1255669   |
| 5_A      | 5     | A        | 2     | 11732          | 6550      | 1572422   |
| 5_B      | 5     | B        | 2     | 8247           | 4605      | 1281215   |
| 5_D      | 5     | D        | 2     | 8872           | 4954      | 1353063   |
| 5_F      | 5     | F        | 2     | 8174           | 4563      | 1282541   |
| 5_G      | 5     | G        | 2     | 8698           | 4856      | 1270360   |
| 6_A      | 6     | A        | 3     | 9461           | 5282      | 1425766   |
| 6_B      | 6     | B        | 3     | 7297           | 4074      | 1228487   |
| 6_D      | 6     | D        | 3     | 6500           | 3629      | 1206859   |
| 6_F      | 6     | F        | 3     | 9563           | 5339      | 1238041   |
| 6_G      | 6     | G        | 3     | 7244           | 4044      | 1090954   |
| 7_A      | 7     | A        | 3     | 7089           | 3958      | 1287038   |
| 7_B      | 7     | B        | 3     | 10770          | 6013      | 1461845   |
| 7_D      | 7     | D        | 3     | 5919           | 3304      | 1219393   |
| 7_F      | 7     | F        | 3     | 11844          | 6613      | 1509095   |
| 7_G      | 7     | G        | 3     | 8339           | 4656      | 1437194   |
| 8_A      | 8     | A        | 3     | 11430          | 6381      | 1506627   |
| 8_B      | 8     | B        | 3     | 8041           | 4489      | 1481021   |
| 8_D      | 8     | D        | 3     | 9713           | 5423      | 1377698   |
| 8_F      | 8     | F        | 3     | 10048          | 5610      | 1408895   |
| 8_G      | 8     | G        | 3     | 7218           | 4030      | 1461687   |
| 9_A      | 9     | A        | 3     | 11151          | 6226      | 1528773   |

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| 9_B  | 9  | B | 3 | 11139 | 6219 | 1497074 |
| 9_D  | 9  | D | 3 | 8612  | 4808 | 1427377 |
| 9_F  | 9  | F | 3 | 8097  | 4521 | 1298713 |
| 9_G  | 9  | G | 3 | 8914  | 4977 | 1380301 |
| 10_A | 10 | A | 3 | 7981  | 4456 | 1333158 |
| 10_B | 10 | B | 3 | 12383 | 6914 | 1517730 |
| 10_D | 10 | D | 3 | 7802  | 4356 | 1324271 |
| 10_F | 10 | F | 3 | 8051  | 4495 | 1252260 |
| 10_G | 10 | G | 3 | 11970 | 6683 | 1333599 |
| 11_A | 11 | A | 2 | 9667  | 5397 | 1544640 |
| 11_B | 11 | B | 2 | 11454 | 6395 | 1499154 |
| 11_D | 11 | D | 2 | 9690  | 5410 | 1408530 |
| 11_F | 11 | F | 2 | 8183  | 4569 | 1300780 |
| 11_G | 11 | G | 2 | 9118  | 5091 | 1277509 |
| 12_A | 12 | A | 3 | 9751  | 5444 | 1379924 |
| 12_B | 12 | B | 3 | 10229 | 5711 | 1299201 |
| 12_D | 12 | D | 3 | 7285  | 4067 | 1145485 |
| 12_F | 12 | F | 3 | 6633  | 3703 | 1322799 |
| 12_G | 12 | G | 3 | 9328  | 5208 | 1420838 |
| 13_A | 13 | A | 2 | 8872  | 4954 | 1196926 |
| 13_B | 13 | B | 2 | 5926  | 3309 | 1037348 |
| 13_D | 13 | D | 2 | 8734  | 4876 | 1251904 |
| 13_F | 13 | F | 2 | 7771  | 4338 | 1142557 |
| 13_G | 13 | G | 2 | 9128  | 5096 | 1255591 |

## Appendix D: Short-Span Flexure Test Results

| Specimen | Panel | Location | Grade | Max Load (lbf) | Fv (PSI) |
|----------|-------|----------|-------|----------------|----------|
| 1_2      | 1     | 2        | 2     | 20273          | 307      |
| 1_4      | 1     | 4        | 2     | 20883          | 316      |
| 1_8      | 1     | 8        | 2     | 18702          | 283      |
| 2_2      | 2     | 2        | 2     | 19331          | 293      |
| 2_4      | 2     | 4        | 2     | 23036          | 349      |
| 2_6      | 2     | 6        | 2     | 22271          | 337      |
| 2_8      | 2     | 8        | 2     | 17794          | 270      |
| 3_2      | 3     | 2        | 3     | 17465          | 265      |
| 3_4      | 3     | 4        | 3     | 14828          | 225      |
| 3_6      | 3     | 6        | 3     | 18127          | 275      |
| 3_8      | 3     | 8        | 3     | 16384          | 248      |
| 4_2      | 4     | 2        | 2     | 25497          | 386      |
| 4_4      | 4     | 4        | 2     | 10983          | 166      |
| 4_6      | 4     | 6        | 2     | 22360          | 339      |
| 4_8      | 4     | 8        | 2     | 22565          | 342      |
| 5_2      | 5     | 2        | 2     | 24292          | 368      |
| 5_6      | 5     | 6        | 2     | 21851          | 331      |
| 5_8      | 5     | 8        | 2     | 17643          | 267      |
| 6_2      | 6     | 2        | 3     | 20228          | 306      |
| 6_4      | 6     | 4        | 3     | 21213          | 321      |
| 6_6      | 6     | 6        | 3     | 19559          | 296      |
| 6_8      | 6     | 8        | 3     | 21166          | 321      |
| 7_2      | 7     | 2        | 3     | 18644          | 282      |
| 7_4      | 7     | 4        | 3     | 19833          | 300      |
| 7_6      | 7     | 6        | 3     | 19078          | 289      |
| 7_8      | 7     | 8        | 3     | 19037          | 288      |
| 10_2     | 10    | 2        | 3     | 21383          | 324      |
| 10_4     | 10    | 4        | 3     | 23993          | 364      |
| 10_8     | 10    | 8        | 3     | 23182          | 351      |
| 11_2     | 11    | 2        | 2     | 21515          | 326      |
| 11_4     | 11    | 4        | 2     | 24197          | 367      |
| 11_6     | 11    | 6        | 2     | 21766          | 330      |
| 11_8     | 11    | 8        | 2     | 22697          | 344      |
| 12_2     | 12    | 2        | 3     | 20084          | 304      |
| 12_4     | 12    | 4        | 3     | 22424          | 340      |



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| 12_6 | 12 | 6 | 3 | 15769 | 239 |
| 12_8 | 12 | 8 | 3 | 19033 | 288 |
| 13_2 | 13 | 2 | 2 | 22323 | 338 |
| 13_4 | 13 | 4 | 2 | 20507 | 311 |
| 13_6 | 13 | 6 | 2 | 21456 | 325 |
| 13_8 | 13 | 8 | 2 | 21112 | 320 |

Appendix E: Moisture Content and Specific Gravity

| Sample ID | MC%    | SG    |
|-----------|--------|-------|
| 2-1       | 10.6%  | 0.405 |
| 2-2       | 12.5%  | 0.379 |
| 2-3       | 10.5%  | 0.381 |
| 2-4       | 10.5%  | 0.413 |
| 2-5       | 11.1%  | 0.380 |
| 4-1       | 8.7%   | 0.407 |
| 4-2       | 11.2%  | 0.397 |
| 4-3       | 10.2%  | 0.428 |
| 4-4       | 10.1%  | 0.432 |
| 4-5       | 10.9%  | 0.409 |
| 5-1       | 10.2%  | 0.396 |
| 5-2       | 10.4%  | 0.392 |
| 5-3       | 8.5%   | 0.427 |
| 5-4       | 8.8%   | 0.406 |
| 5-5       | 10.3%  | 0.406 |
| 9-1       | 9.6%   | 0.407 |
| 9-2       | 9.4%   | 0.401 |
| 9-3       | 12.1%  | 0.406 |
| 9-4       | 7.7%   | 0.396 |
| 9-5       | 8.6%   | 0.406 |
| 12-1      | 22.2%  | 0.381 |
| 12-2      | 14.1%  | 0.366 |
| 12-3      | 11.7%  | 0.391 |
| 12-4      | 8.8%   | 0.365 |
| 12-5      | 10.6%  | 0.367 |
| Mean      | 10.8%  | 0.398 |
| SD        | 2.78%  | 0.018 |
| COV       | 25.77% | 4.64% |

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