



**University of Idaho**

College of Natural Resources

# **Forest Innovations Institute**

driving cutting-edge, cross-disciplinary solutions to sustain and enhance Idaho's forests through research, technology, and collaboration.

## **FII Vision**

The Forest Innovations Institute (FII) will facilitate transformative and interdisciplinary research and technical assistance to advance the science and practice of forest ecology and technology for managing public and private forestlands in Idaho and the region. FII will engage industry specialists, businesses, Native American Tribes, nonprofit organizations, other universities, and public land management agencies to achieve healthy, productive forests that enhances the provision of ecosystem services demanded by society.

## **Our Mission**

Our mission is to advance the use of contemporary and emerging technologies and information systems that support research and technical assistance across forest systems and product value chains. The FII will collaborate with university faculty and students across disciplines to advance the practice of forestry on behalf of Idaho's industries and landowners. Research will span across the ecological, physical, and social sciences working to generate practical solutions for Idaho.

## **Our Collaboration**

The collaboration efforts of the FII will be structured to support a future-facing forest sector through cross-sector partnerships, interdisciplinary research, and workforce preparation. The College of Natural Resources (CNR) has existing facilities and research units whose objectives are uniquely aligned with the FII vision. To support research and workforce training endeavors, it is critical for the FII to draw from the expertise of private companies, public land management agencies, nonprofit organizations, and Native American tribes.