MACLC County Forest Management

MACLC Counties utilize timber harvests to achieve objectives in our forest management plans which are based on the principles of multipleuse/sustainable forestry.

As an assurance of good management many *MACLC Counties* have their forest management plans and policies certified by independent (3rd party) organizations based on stringent forest management standards; and are subject to annual compliance audits.

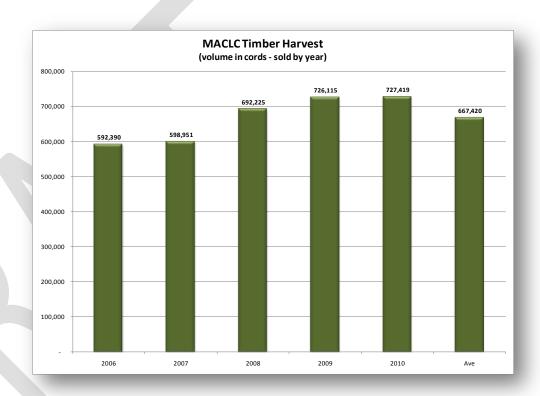
In fact, 90% of the timberland managed by *MACLC Counties* is 3rd party certified.



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The MN forest industry has faced tough times in recent years and low timber prices have dramatically reduced timber harvesting on private lands.

So, within the context of our plans, *MACLC Counties* have steadily increased timber harvest levels, in both forest acres treated and total volume harvested, to the benefit of our local forest industry.



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MACLC Counties manage

approximately 13% of the timberland in Minnesota; but from 2006 to 2010 have harvested over 20% of the annual statewide timber harvest.

Does this mean that **MACLC Counties** are overharvesting their forests?

No - in fact the MACLC forest acres sold for harvest during that 5-year period was a mere 1.7% per year!

