



Timber Transport Forum

Thursday 15th March 2012



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- Sector introduction and context
 - Background to BSW
 - Local impact
 - Themes for today

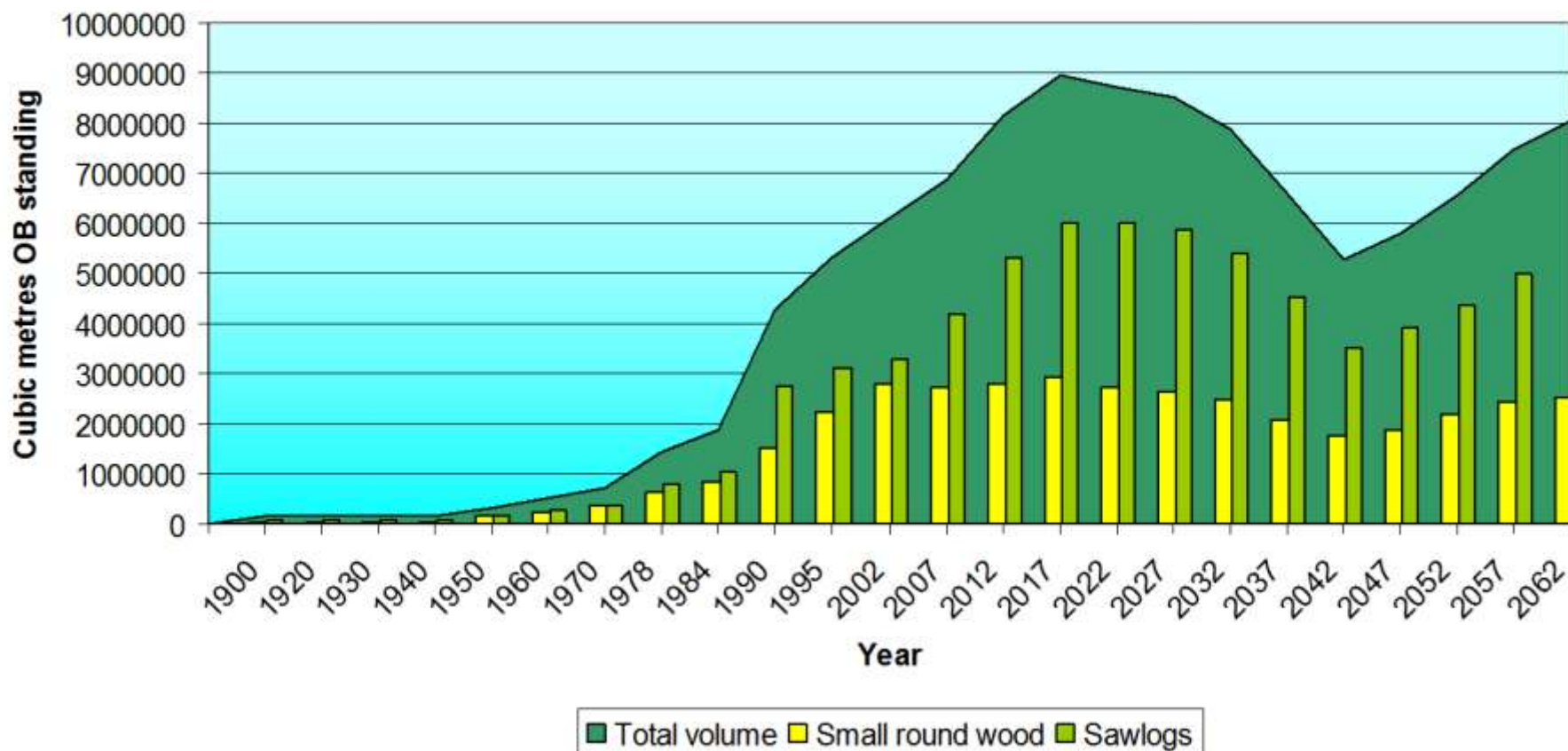




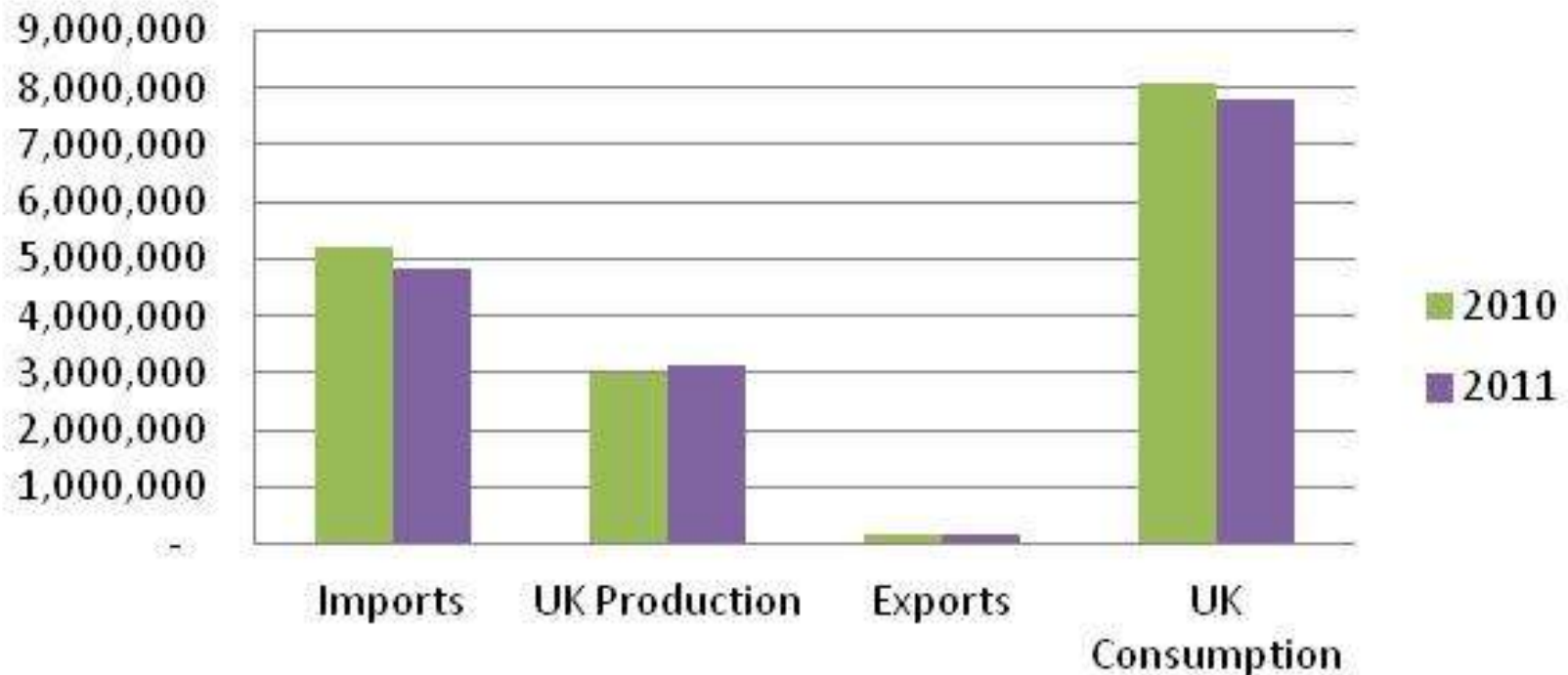
We are an internationally competitive and vibrant Forest Products Sector

- £1.6billion invested in UK timber industry in last 15yrs
- In 20 years we have increased employment in the UK from 34,000 to 170,000 within sector
- Sawn softwood market share more than doubled in last 20 years, from 18% to 39%
- This represents £1billion p.a. in import substitution

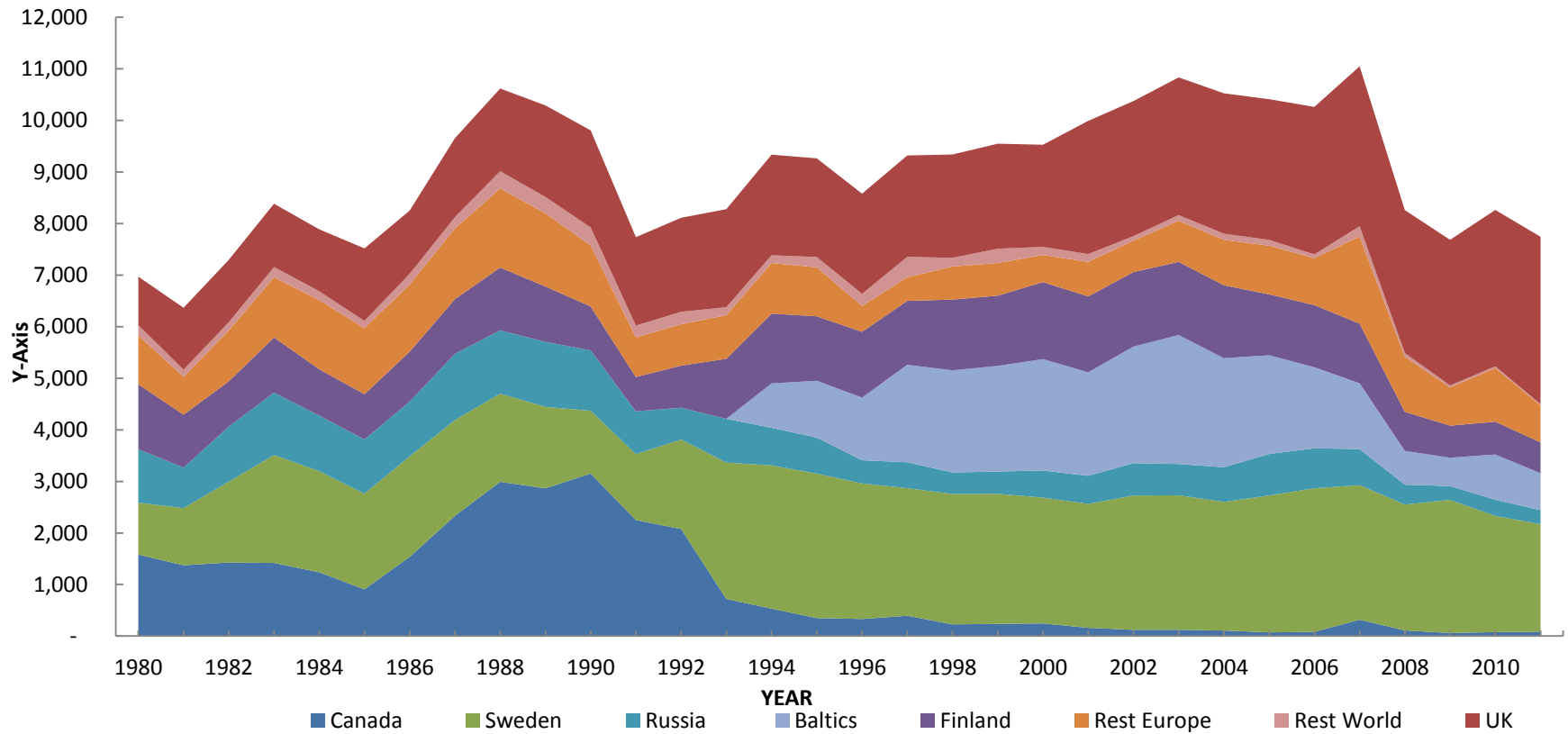
Timber production in Scotland 1900 - 2067



UK Sawn Softwood Market Volume M3



UK SOFTWOOD CONSUMPTION SOURCES





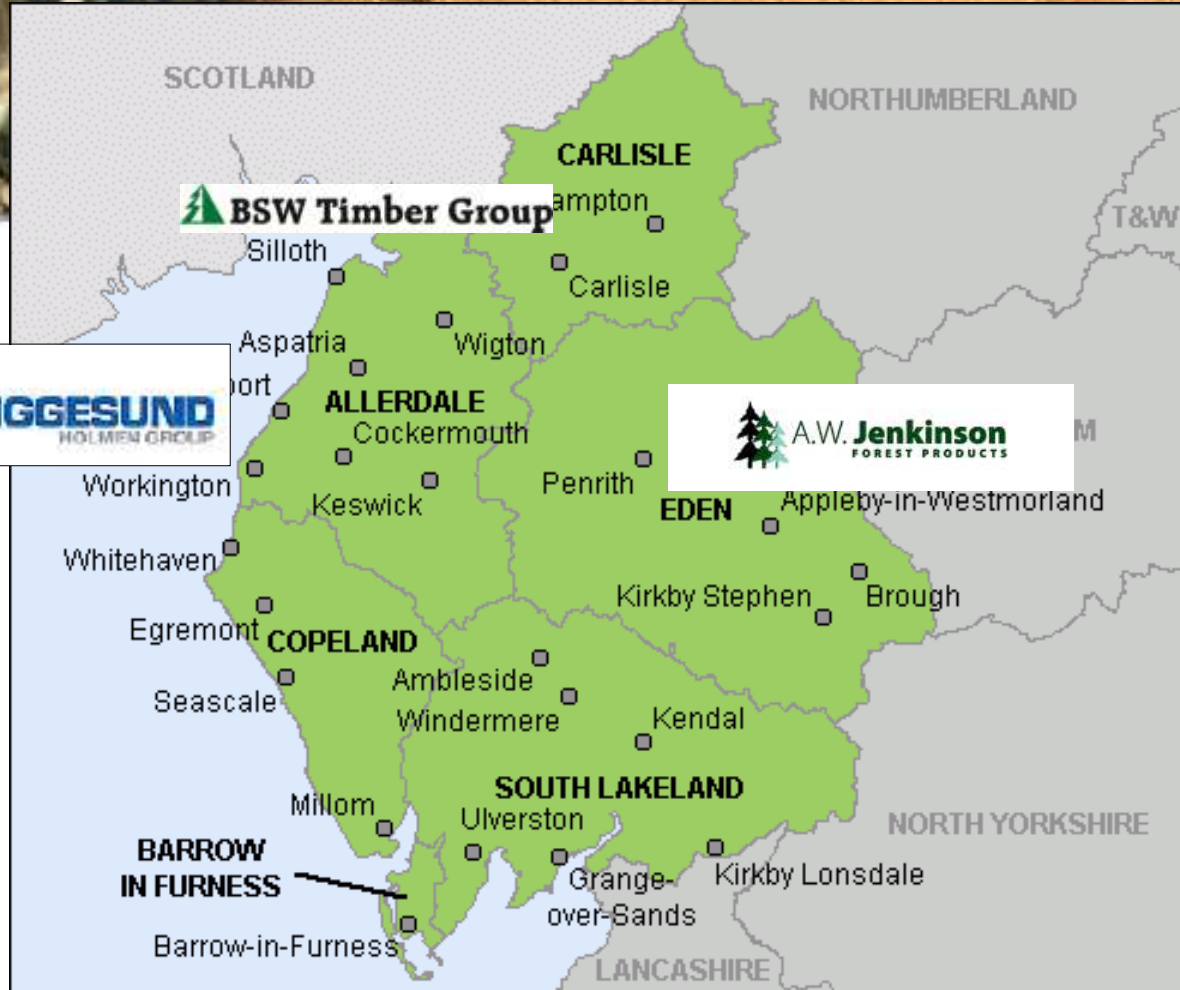


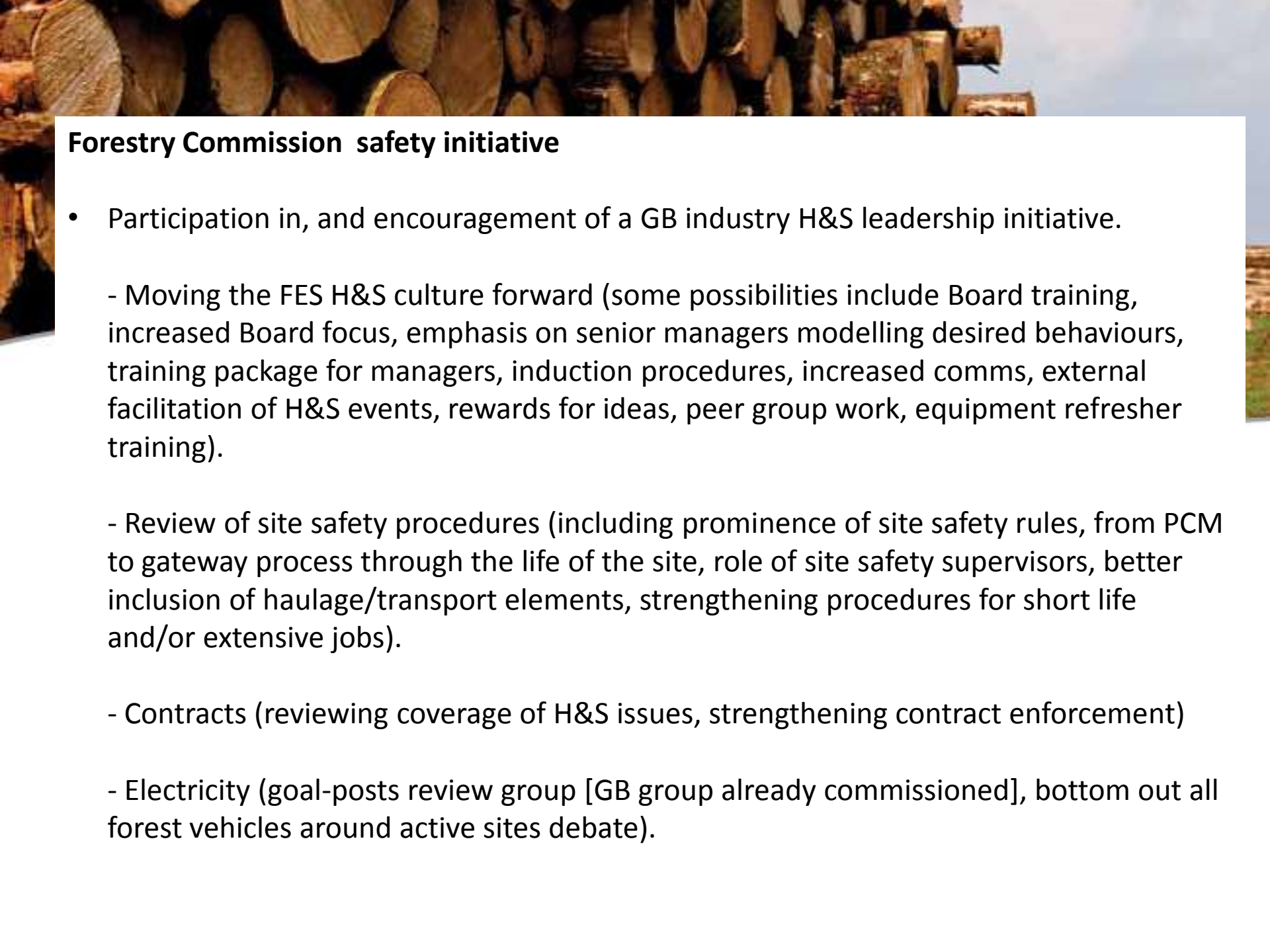
The Right Direction:

- Importance of Sector to Local Rural Economy
- Professional Supply Chain
- Partnerships with local authorities and local communities
- New Technologies
- Code of Practice & Health & Safety Training









Forestry Commission safety initiative

- Participation in, and encouragement of a GB industry H&S leadership initiative.
 - Moving the FES H&S culture forward (some possibilities include Board training, increased Board focus, emphasis on senior managers modelling desired behaviours, training package for managers, induction procedures, increased comms, external facilitation of H&S events, rewards for ideas, peer group work, equipment refresher training).
 - Review of site safety procedures (including prominence of site safety rules, from PCM to gateway process through the life of the site, role of site safety supervisors, better inclusion of haulage/transport elements, strengthening procedures for short life and/or extensive jobs).
 - Contracts (reviewing coverage of H&S issues, strengthening contract enforcement)
 - Electricity (goal-posts review group [GB group already commissioned], bottom out all forest vehicles around active sites debate).



**Thank you for your attention,
enjoy *your* Conference!**

