

Bitterroot Valley Forest Products

Missoula, Montana – Member Since 2006



The Edinger family started J&R Planing on the family ranch in Florence, Montana in 1977. Soon after start up, the company moved to a piece of property on Hwy 93 in Florence and proceeded to grow and expand their business, supplying jobs and revenue to the Bitterroot Valley. In 1989, Jim Edinger expanded the company's product line by opening an additional mill and reload yard in Missoula. This second mill, Montana West Lumber, has been an active part of the Missoula economy ever since.



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The sales arm, Bitterroot Valley Forest Products (BVFP), was added to the family of businesses in 1997 and brought the company to the forefront of the lumber industry. Bitterroot Valley Forest Products offers a large range of specialty wood products to companies from local contractors to the largest national distributors.



Accent rails and posts in a stairwell application.

Tragedy struck in 2008. A fire at the Florence mill destroyed the entire building and most of the equipment. In true Montana fashion, they pulled together and moved the entire operation to their Montana West facility and were operational again within one week. The two operations have since combined under the name J&R Planing, Inc. The centralization of operations allowed the continuation of service to faithful customers and expansion of their line of quality products that Bitterroot Valley Forest Products is known for.

In 2009, BVFP expanded its reach by acquiring a "state of the art" priming facility in Savannah, Georgia. The addition of Bitterroot Valley Forest Products of Savannah made products available and affordable for customers from coast to coast.

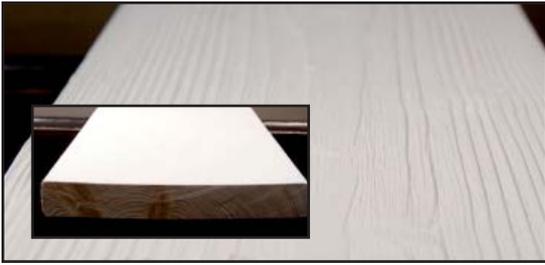
Over the last thirty years, the Edinger businesses have gone from a two-man operation on the family ranch to one of the largest specialty wood products manufacturers in the country. It is with this rich history and fortitude the company demonstrates its desire to continually strive to bring new products, services, and cutting edge technology to the wood products industry.

BVFP is committed to sustainable forestry as is evident in every aspect of their business. They partner with forest conscious mills, utilize standing dead wood and beetle-kill in some of the product line and utilize the wood shavings byproduct in a line of animal bedding. There is a continual effort to make their business more eco-friendly.

The strength and depth of Bitterroot Valley Forest Products is the diversity of products. The many talented and experienced individuals they employ work together to continually to develop the most desired specialty wood products on the market today. BVFP is always looking to improve their existing products. Product lines include: EPEX trim, premium smooth and hand peeled logs, an extensive line of timber and log siding, animal bedding, and Montana Ghost Wood.



BVFP provides house logs for log home construction.



Epex Trim comes in a variety of textures for almost every application. The FrameGuard® Total technology makes the Epex trim an exceptional choice for exterior trim.

EPEX Trim products are made of only the best lumber. BVFP evaluates the EPEX product at each stage of manufacturing. Using the technology of FrameGuard® Total, developed by Arch Wood Protection, Inc. allows EPEX trim products to be the most protected exterior wood trim available in the market to date, even against formosan termites. One ingredient of treatment is the infusion film. The chemical is applied to the EPEX substrate and allowed to penetrate into the wood. The infusion film aids in the penetration and helps to seal the chemical deep within the substrate. The trim then goes through buffers and inspection before an additional layer of Superpaint Acrylic Latex primer from Sherwin-Williams is applied. The end product is the finest trim product possible in all standard sizes and comes with a 15 year primer warranty and a 30 year warranty against, mold, rot, mildew and

termites.

Bitterroot Valley Forest Products also offers the highest quality house logs and log home kits on the market. House logs are harvested from the Northwest's finest dead standing Spruce, Lodge pole, and Douglas Fir. Contractors and end users can purchase logs or complete pre-cut house packages that are available directly from the mill. BVFP can provide a variety of diameter and length in smooth or hand peeled logs.

Another product manufactured at BVFP is timber and log siding in an extensive line of profiles. With over 50 patterns to choose from BVFP offers the largest catalog of timber and log siding products available from a single manufacturer. They even have the technology to build custom knives to meet the specific needs of their customers.

Reclaimed wood is in high demand across the country. Reclaimed wood can be very expensive and may be as much as 30% to 70% unusable. Because of the demand, Bitterroot Valley Forest products has developed Montana Ghost Wood, a product that mirrors the look of reclaimed wood while providing greater durability and function and is about half the price of reclaimed wood. Because of the availability of Ghost Wood products, home builders and designers do not destroy the ghost towns and historic structures related to reclaimed wood. Montana Ghost Wood is available in full sized boards, making it more efficient and much less expensive. Ghost Wood is the perfect choice for the eco-conscious user wanting that reclaimed look. BVFP strives to use SFI and FSC certified lumber and uses beetle and forest fire killed lumber. In this respect, Montana Ghost Wood products have truly been "Reclaimed from Mother Nature."

Green principles are at work from the creation of Montana Ghost Wood to the recycling of all of the wood shavings, chips, and sawdust into animal bedding and compost.



The Montana Ghost Wood is looks like reclaimed wood, but has the advantages and strength of premium stock.

Naturally, wood shavings are a by-product of the total milling process. BVFP offers premium wood shavings, ideal for animal bedding needs. The shavings are soft, kiln dried and free of large chunks and debris commonly found in other brands of bedding. Wood shavings are 100% kiln dried softwood shavings, small flake profile, have reduced dust and are made in the USA.

Bitterroot Valley Forest Products and J&R Planing are located directly off I-90 next to the Montana Rail link/BNSF Rail line in Missoula, Montana. Jim Edinger and Paul Meermeier and their staff would be happy to help members with any of their products that they may need.

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