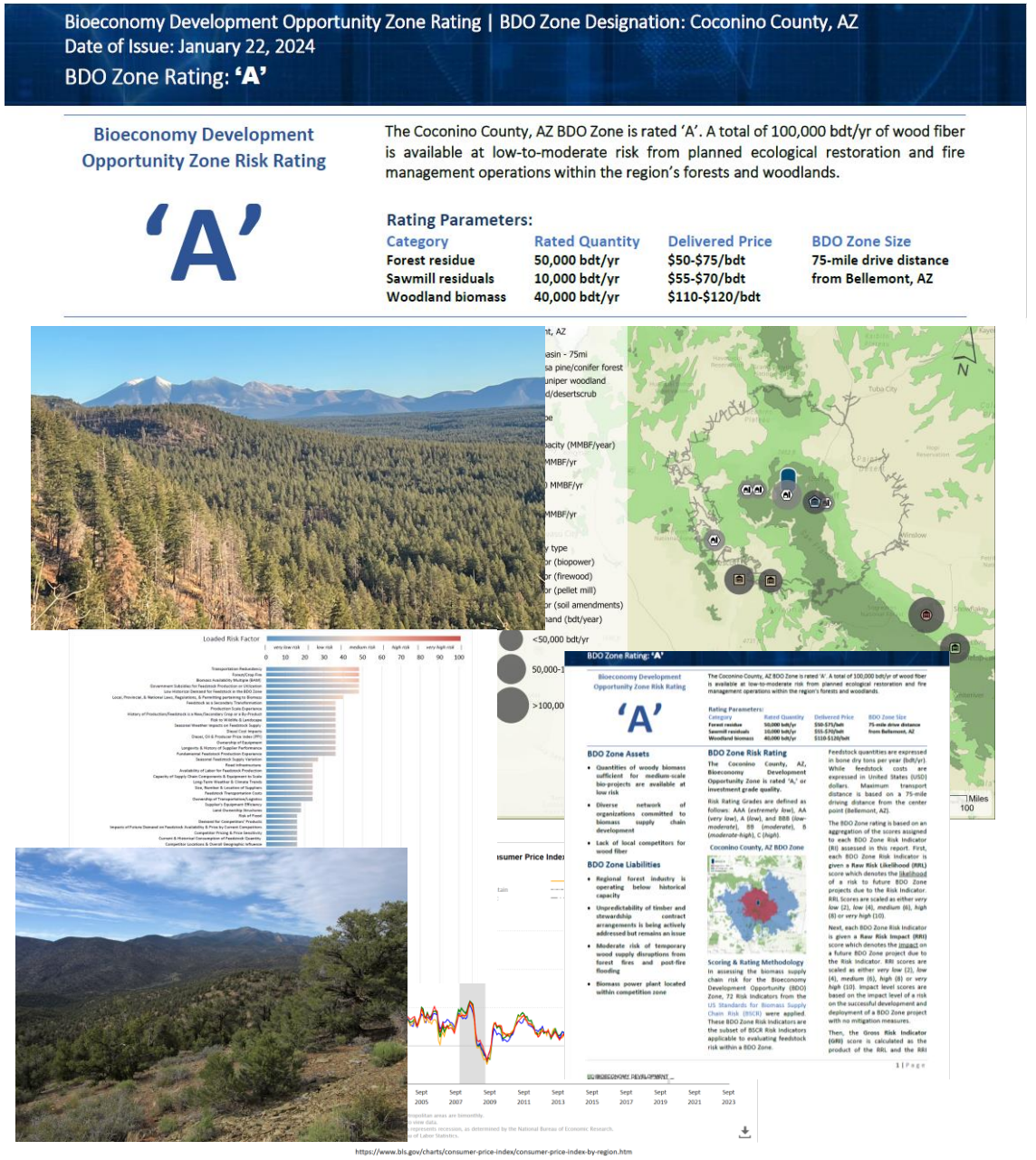
Coconino County, AZ BDO Zone Rating: **'A'**

- ✓ **Feedstock diversity:** Over 100,000 bdt/yr of forest residue, woodland biomass, and sawmill residuals available for new projects.
- ✓ **Supply experience:** Decades of experience in field-based processing and transportation.
- ✓ **Institutional infrastructure:** Network of international, regional, and local organizations dedicated to bioeconomy development.
- ✓ **Ecological restoration:** Forest and woodland operations implemented with the principal objective of restoring landscape to a natural state.

View and download Coconino County BDO Zone Rating **here**.



BD | BIOECONOMY DEVELOPMENT
OZ | OPPORTUNITY ZONE INITIATIVE

Coconino County FOREST Restoration Initiative

COCONINO COUNTY ARIZONA FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT

COCONINO COUNTY BDO ZONE "A" RATING



BD OZ INITIATIVE

OVERVIEW/BACKGROUND

Coconino County Forest Restoration Initiative

- **2017 – County Board of Supervisors identified catastrophic wildfire and post-fire flooding as the #1 safety threat to our communities**

- 2nd largest county in the U.S.
- Home to the Kaibab and Coconino National Forests
- BDO Zone “A” rating based on 50,000 bdt/yr.
- Total forest residue capacity of 360,000 bdt/yr







OVERVIEW/BACKGROUND

Four Forest Restoration Initiative

- 2.4 Million acre footprint
- Largest contiguous Ponderosa pine forest in the world
- USFS Goal to thin 50,000 acres/year
- Biomass Bottleneck restricting the pace and scale of restoration work
- 1.2 million acres NEPA approved for forest thinning



INFRASTRUCTURE

Planes, Trains and Semi-trucks!

- Two major Interstates – I-40 and I-17
- Burlington Northern Sante Fe (BNSF) Railroad
- Commercial Airport near Flagstaff
- New Northern Arizona Technology Park

Distance from Flagstaff to:

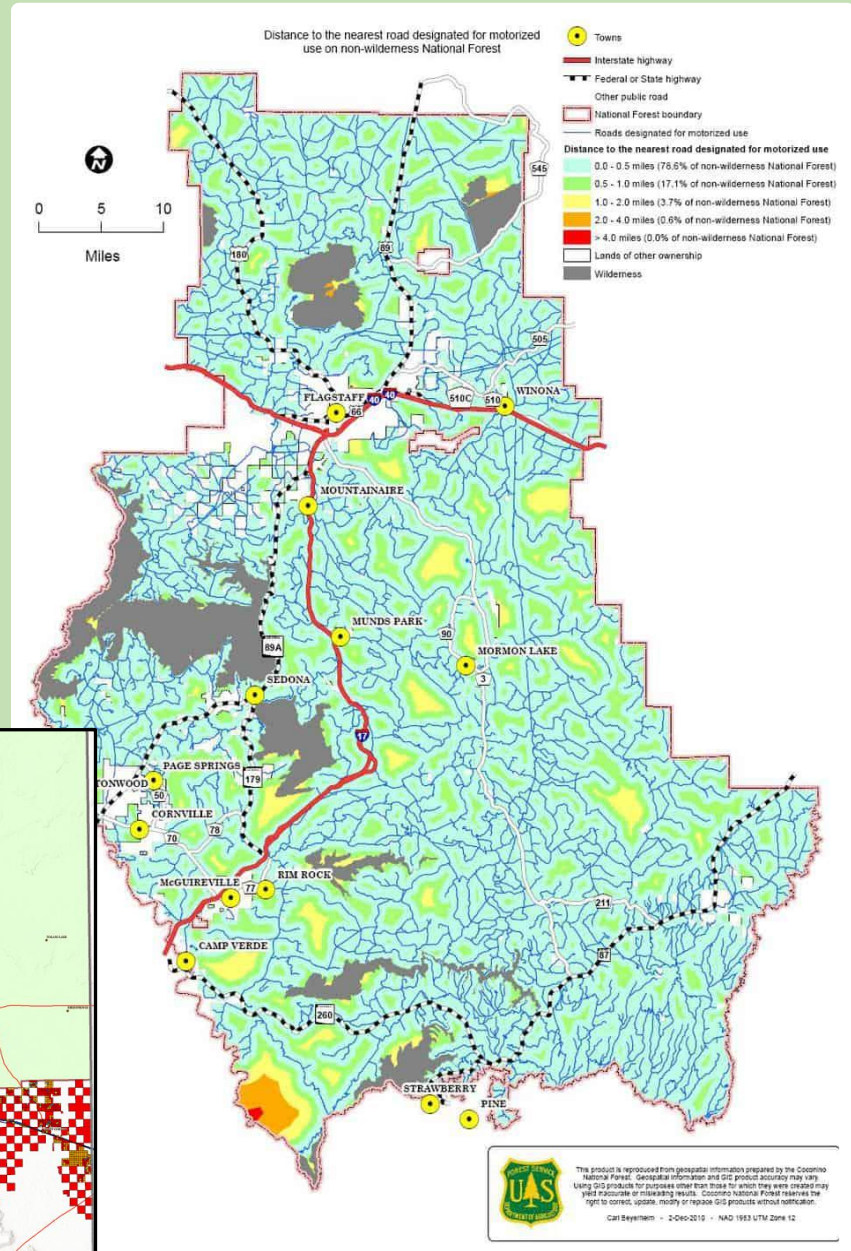
Phoenix, AZ	144 miles
Las Vegas. NV	253 miles
Albuquerque, NM	322 Miles
Los Angeles, CA	465 miles
San Diego, CA	488 Miles
Salt Lake City, UT	519 miles



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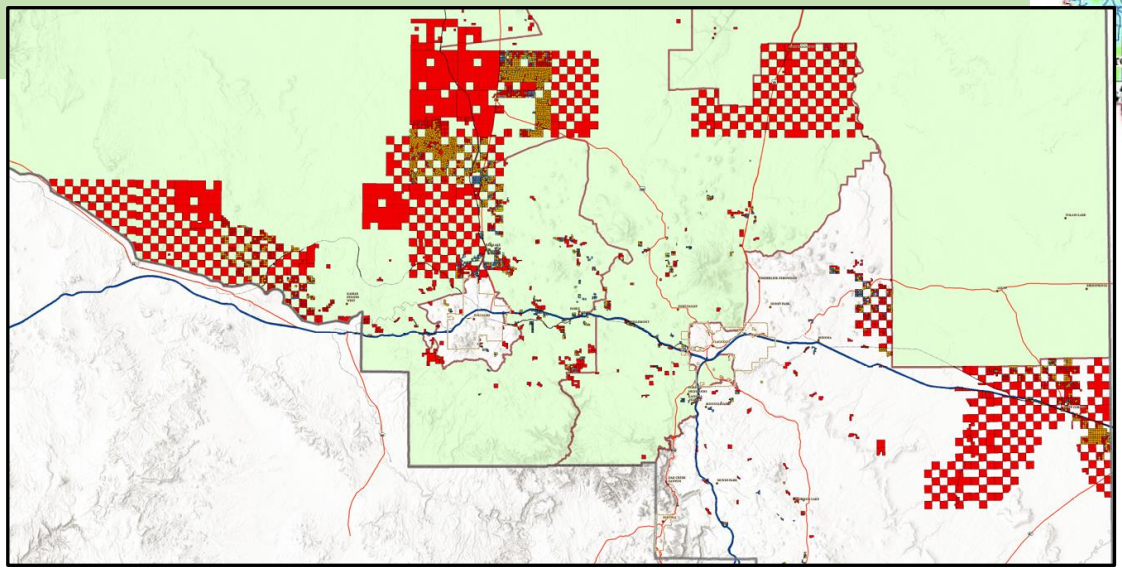
- Existing Roads within Forest Service Lands
- Wind – 3 windfarms w/ over 700 MW generated
- Solar opportunities – 266 days of sunshine
- Transwestern and Kinder Morgan pipelines

"Coconino County is committed to supporting the reemergence of forestry and related industries to our area."
John Saltonstall, Economic Development Director



Industrial Lands

- Forest Industry Parcel Analysis
- State Land Leasing
- Conditional Use Permitting for Forest Industry
- Opportunity Zones



BD OZ INITIATIVE

SOCIAL INFRASTRUCTURE & WORKFORCE

National Forest Foundation



DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE MANAGEMENT
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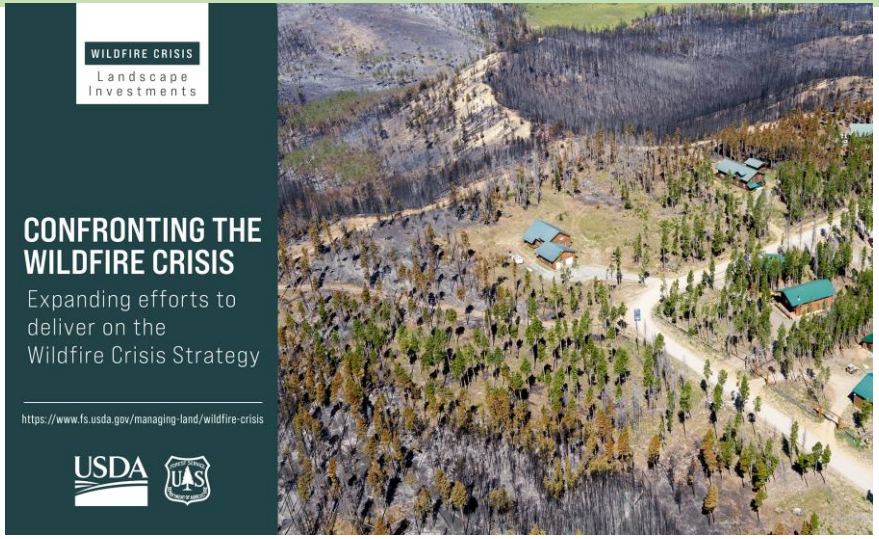
The Nature Conservancy
Arizona

FOREST SERVICE
US
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

LOCAL INCENTIVES

- County Board of Supervisors Signed Resolution Supporting Forest Products Industry
- Local voters approved $10 million bond for Forest Restoration
- Coconino County has invested over $12 Million to date
- County plans to invest additional $30 Million
- USFS plans to increase treatment acres to 30,000/YR
- Situated in the middle of the “wood basket”
- State Healthy Forest Enterprise tax incentive
- AZ corporate tax rate is below 5%
- Growing logging operations industry

Upper Rio de Flag
FOREST RESTORATION PROJECT



“Coconino County urgently needs forest restoration, and we are eager to develop the partnerships and industries that will support this important work.”

- Jeronimo Vasquez, Chair, Coconino County Board of Supervisors

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QUESTIONS?

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