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Durable Hardwood Flooring & Lumber from the Willamette Valley

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My name is Ben Deumling, and along with my family I run Zena Forest, which is a forest, sawmill and hardwood flooring manufacturer based in the Willamette Valley. We make high quality hardwood flooring from our locally grown and processed hardwood trees here in the valley.

We have been the beneficiaries of Business Oregon's support for many years. Through an ongoing grant, they help fund Oregon Manufacturing Extension Partnership (OMEP) to consult with us. More recently, Business Oregon further supported Zena Forest with a Small Business Sustainability Fund (SBSF) grant.

All of this support has helped our business immensely, and has allowed us to grow from a floundering boutique sawmill operation into a thriving and growing flooring manufacturer. We currently employ 7 full time employees, and have scaled to the point where we are able to take on large commercial work, and ship our flooring beyond Oregon, and access markets throughout the US.

In addition to the direct results of growing our business, the work that we do, and that has been supported by Business Oregon through their programs, allows us to add incredible value to the local economy, by taking the highly underutilized hardwood resources in western Oregon, and turn them into high value and long lasting wood products.

Please continue to support Business Oregon and the very impactful work that they are pursuing on the ground with Oregon businesses.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Ben Deumling - Owner/Manager - Zena Forest, LLC