
PLUMAS COUNTY, CALIFORNIA ISSUED BDO ZONE 'A' RATING FOR WOODY BIOMASS

– 'A' Rating Opens Door for New Biomass Markets and Forest Restoration Investment –



July 21, 2026 – [Plumas Corp](#), [Plumas County Fire Safe Council](#), [Ecostrat](#) and the [BDO Zone Initiative](#) are pleased to announce the issue of a BDO Zone 'A' Rating for Plumas County, California. The BDO Zone is rated for 255,000 bone dry tons per year of low-risk woody biomass and spans a 75-mile drive radius from its central point in Taylorsville, CA.

Plumas County's 'A' rating denotes high prospective viability of Feedstock Supply and Infrastructure and low expectations of default risk in the Zone. Plumas County's extensive forest resources and ongoing wildfire mitigation efforts have created a significant opportunity to utilize underused pulpwood and forest residues that are often piled, burned, or left onsite following forest management activities. The region benefits from an established logging, grinding, and hauling network capable of supporting large-scale biomass recovery, while current forest restoration and fuel reduction programs continue to generate substantial volumes of available material. Combined with the Crescent Mills Industrial Site's heavy industrial zoning, direct rail access, on-site PG&E substation with three-phase power, and proximity to major forest feedstock supplies, Plumas County is well positioned to support new biobased manufacturing and forest biomass utilization projects.

Darrell Webster, BioGeneration and Chipping Program Manager of Plumas County Fire Safe Council, stated, "Plumas County's 'A' rating reflects what many of us who live here already know: our forests, woodlands, and working landscapes hold a significant amount of woody biomass that needs to be managed in a thoughtful and responsible way. Having grown up here and watched the landscape change over time—with heavier fuel loading, drier conditions, and increasing wildfire risk—I see this rating as an opportunity to turn a long-standing challenge into something productive for our communities. By supporting responsible biomass utilization, we can help advance wildfire mitigation, forest restoration, watershed protection, and rural economic development while attracting future bio-based businesses that can help put this material to better use."

GiaNina Martynn, Executive Director of Plumas Corporation, stated, “This rating highlights Plumas County’s abundant woody biomass and existing infrastructure, attracting the long-awaited attention of biobased companies to our region, which will allow us and our partners to effectively increase the scale of our forest-health, watershed-restoration, and fuel-reduction projects.”

Jordan Solomon, Chairman of the BDO Zone Initiative, stated, “Plumas County’s ‘A’ rating reflects the region’s substantial woody biomass resources, active forest management efforts, and growing opportunity for biobased industry development. The combination of feedstock scale and existing rail-connected industrial assets creates a perfect environment for future investment.”

To see the full BDO Zone Rating for **Plumas County, CA**, please click [here](#), or visit www.bdozone.org.

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About *The BDO Zone Initiative*

The Biofuel Development Opportunity (BDO) Zone Initiative certifies ‘regional readiness’ for bio-manufacturing, creates global connections and ignites an influx of new energy opportunities for farmers, economic developers, and rural businesses. A BDO Zone rating is an internationally recognized, standards-based technical risk assessment of a region’s feedstock, supply chain, and infrastructure risk with respect to the development potential for new biofuel plants. BDO Zone ratings are *site location bullseyes* for bio-project development. Investment grade ratings are force-multipliers for attracting new manufacturing plants to the areas where they are most likely to succeed, drive investment and create jobs.

For more information on the BDO Zone Initiative, contact info@bdozone.org. To view all BDO Zone ratings, visit www.bdozone.org. Check out the BDO Zone [LinkedIn](#) page for news and updates.

Ecostrat is the North American leader in biomass due diligence for biofuels, renewable chemicals, biogas, and bio-product project development and finance. **Jordan Solomon** is Chairman of the *BDO Zone Initiative* and President of Ecostrat (www.ecostrat.com). He can be reached at jordan.solomon@ecostrat.com.