

# TIMBER PROFESSIONALS COOPERATIVE

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## WHY A COOPERATIVE?

**Cooperative ownership puts more emphasis on the vitality of communities, local businesses, and individuals.**

TPC is unique.

It was created for loggers/truckers to participate in business ownership and operate under “cooperative values” for the benefit of workers wanting to take control of their destiny for long-term viability.

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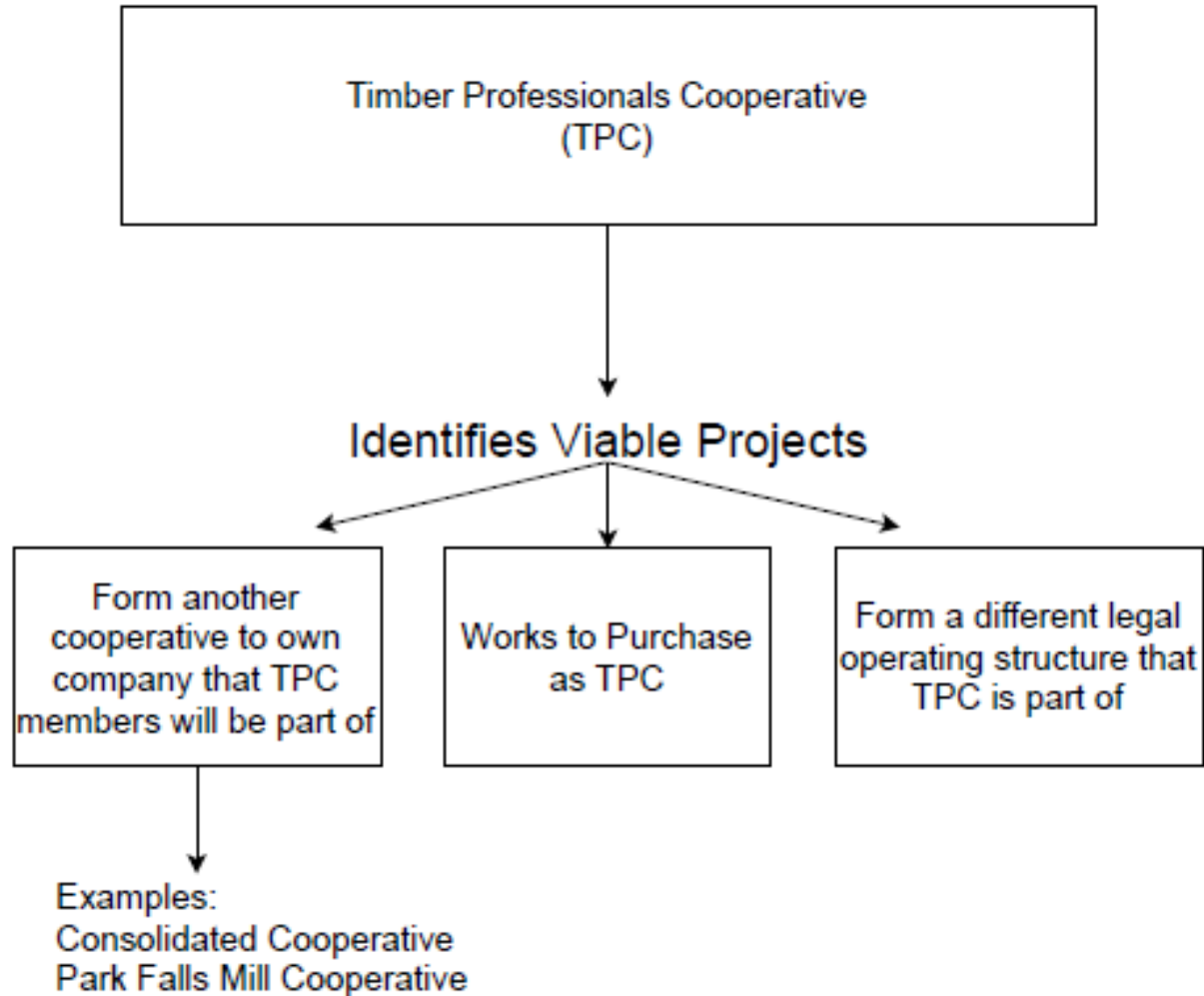
## WHAT'S THE GOAL?

The **long-term goal** of this cooperative is to explore opportunities for acquisition or development of forest industry companies that directly affect the livelihoods of loggers and truckers.

Either as TPC itself or as part of a larger **multi-stakeholder cooperative**.



## Acquisition Projects



## POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS:

- Forest land acquisition
- Rail cars and/or short lines
- Retirement plan
- Health Insurance
- Fuel Stations

# WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING SINCE JUNE 2020?

Last June, we had a concept, and cooperative specialists willing to help us find our way.

Since then we have had engineers, mill specialists, and financial specialists in Wisconsin who have sought us out and donated hundreds of hours of their time helping TPC with mill acquisitions.

In addition we have had industry specialists from North Carolina, Florida, and Washington fly in to meet with us at their own expense because they were intrigued by the concept of cooperative ownership and the opportunity to help save an industry that they have spent their lives in.

Margaret Bau and Kelly Maynard have used their contacts and networks to get opinions, advice, and direction on how to negotiate a wide array of obstacles and issues that we have encountered along the way.

That is in no way minimizing the thousands of volunteer hours that loggers and truckers have put into TPC, because that was the impetus that got all the others involved.

To form TPC in less than two months and then to work with cooperative specialists to mesh the complexities of the forest industry and cooperative statutes to form two multi-stakeholder cooperatives less than 8 months later is incredible.

# CURRENT TPC CONVERSATIONS

WISCONSIN RAPIDS



**CONSOLIDATED CO-OP**

PARK FALLS



**PARK FALLS MILL CO-OP**



# WHY BE A MEMBER OF THE TIMBER PROFESSIONALS COOPERATIVE?

This industry is full of hard working people who pride themselves on creative problem solving.

TPC is a chance to take it to the next level – collectively – and position the industry for long term stability & growth.



# Timber Professionals Cooperative

## Membership Application

Company Name

Contact Name

Address

City/State/Zip

County

Home Phone

Work Phone

Cell Phone

Fax

Email

## MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

Logger & Trucker members are accepted on criteria set by the TPC Board of Directors

(Non-logger/trucker members are reviewed for membership on an individual basis.)

Must have a current/valid company FEIN

Must be a member of the Great Lakes Timber Professionals Association (GLTPA)

Must be current on required forestry certification (SFI)

One time Membership Equity Contribution (\$100)

Annual Membership Dues (\$150)

Only loggers/truckers can hold TPC Board Positions

QUESTIONS??