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Centennial Woods to harvest two million linear feet of Wyo snowfence

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LARAMIE - Centennial Woods announced today that it has won a contract to dismantle over 2,000,000 linear feet of Wyoming snow fence in preparation for construction of 23 miles of snow fence using a new design along Interstate 80 west of Laramie.

"Our staff has worked very hard to build the largest completely 'green' product suite in the West, using 100 percent reclaimed Wyoming snow fence. The addition of this inventory will significantly increase our product offerings," said Mike Thomas of Centennial Woods.

Centennial Woods staff dismantles the wood by hand to protect and preserve the natural effects of decades of "weathering," which gives the wood its unique character. The wood is then transported to the company's new warehouse to be hand sorted, graded and inventoried in preparation for shipment to customers.

Before Centennial Woods began harvesting Wyoming snow fence, older boards were often left on the frame until they failed and were then burned or thrown into a landfill when replaced. Since 1999, Centennial Woods has been maintaining and reclaiming Wyoming snow fence to create its line of interior and exterior specialty wood products for residential and commercial use around the world. To date, Centennial Woods has reclaimed 6 million linear feet of snow fence, the equivalent of 105 miles; keeping more than 10,000 tons of CO2 from being emitted into the atmosphere and saving the state of Wyoming and other entities more than \$10 million.

Bob Johnson, vice president of Operations for Centennial Woods said, "We will be very busy as this project will be performed in conjunction with the 20 miles of snow fence maintenance projects that we normally do for the State of Wyoming annually."

Centennial Woods' products are naturally rough and weathered but also can be purchased in milled and modern configurations. The product suite consists of wood commonly used for siding and soffit to internal uses like floors, ceilings and wainscoting. This unique wood is also increasingly used for furniture, doors, window trimming, cabinets and other specialty applications.

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