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The Department of Forestry and Natural Resources at Purdue has a centurylong record of excellence in serving students and partnering with stakeholders of our natural resources. Purdue FNR is a national leader and the only forestry, wildlife, and aquatic sciences degree-granting and research program in Indiana.

The quality of our current facilities, however, are limiting future discovery, learning and engagement. Two of the three campus buildings FNR currently occupies, Forestry and Forest Products, were both built in 1910 and no longer meet 21st-century educational and research needs.

We're moving forward on a much-needed new FNR building. We hope you'll come in from the outdoors to be a part of this exciting project.

WHAT'S INSIDE?

Planning is in the works for a new FNR Building that reflects the quality of the programs it houses.

- 73,000 square feet of classroom, office, and lab space to house all faculty, staff, and students
 - 17 percent growth in assignable square footage
 - 25 unique spaces 11 percent of the new facility dedicated to fostering collaboration, communication, and innovation
 - Many new lab spaces, including teaching and computer labs
 - A state-of-the-art hardwood products education and research laboratory
 - An entire floor dedicated to big data/GIS/digital natural resources



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DOING WHAT WE DO, EVEN BETTER

Here's what the new FNR Building will enable us to achieve.

- Continue to recruit exceptional educators and researchers
- Accommodate steadily increasing student enrollment
- Strengthen partnerships with state and federal natural resource agencies by providing research-based information that informs policy decisions related to protecting Indiana's natural resources, and enhancing hunter and angler opportunities
- Conduct collaborative, innovative research that gives FNR and Purdue a competitive edge in securing external grant funding, leading new approaches, and promoting industry and multi-institutional partnerships locally and abroad
- Increase outreach to industries, landowners, natural resource professionals, and Indiana communities — through Purdue Extension programs in forest management, natural resource sustainability, wildlife, wood products, urban forestry,
 - and aquatic sciences

"It's time for a world-class department to have a facility that will support 21st century natural resources teaching, extension, and research programs, interdisciplinary collaboration, and big data analytics. These will guide integrated decision making and sustainable management for our shared natural resources."

- Steve Shifley, BS 1976, MS 1978; 2019 FNR Lifetime Achievement Award winner and Purdue Agricultural Alumni Association Certificate of Distinction honoree

WAYS TO GIVE

Construction cost of the new building is estimated at \$48.5 million. At least \$13 million will be secured through fundraising and other monies from the department and the College of Agriculture. Individuals, families, and groups — as well as companies, organizations, and foundations — all will be important contributors.

Your gift of any amount will be appreciated and invested wisely, and you'll be able to see its visible impact on Purdue FNR.

You can support the FNR Building campaign in many ways. A member of the agricultural advancement staff can help you determine the type of gift that best suits your circumstances, interests, and goals, as well as the time period over which your gift is payable. For example, a graduating class may choose to pledge a cash gift over five years. An individual may wish to discuss a gift of stock to manage capital gains.

- Gifts of cash Reduce taxable income while supporting Purdue FNR.
- Appreciated assets or marketable securities Cost less than an equivalent cash gift and can help manage capital gain taxes.
- Donor-advised fund Make a tax-deductible donation to an existing charitable fund.
- Beneficiary of a will or trust Retain full control of assets during your lifetime.
- Gifts of real estate Reduce taxable income and avoid capital gains.
- Retirement plan beneficiary designation Make the Purdue Foundation, on behalf of FNR, the partial or full beneficiary of your IRA.
- IRA rollover contribution Individuals 70 1/2+ may avoid taxable income by directing their IRA custodian to contribute up to \$100,000 per calendar year directly to charity.



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BEYOND THE NEW BUILDING

A new facility is a critical need, but your gift isn't just about the FNR Building; it's about being a part of what Purdue FNR will accomplish there.

- Solving the most important natural resource problems around the globe
- Improving hardwood forests
- Advancing the hardwood products industry
- Ensuring clean water and healthy aquatic ecosystems
- Protecting wildlife and wildlife habitat
- Developing new digital tools to preserve and protect natural resources
- Helping expand urban forests and tree care

Continue the conversation

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"A key factor in sustaining the state's largest agricultural industry is to ensure a reliable and broadly trained pipeline of forestry professionals. On a high-tech and relevant campus, FNR's new facilities will further solidify students' interest in the forestry program."

> – Ray Moistner, Executive Director, Indiana Hardwood Lumbermen's Association



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