

Patrick Strauch, Executive Director, Maine Forest Products Council

Patrick began his career as a forester for St. Regis Paper Co. 1981 and eventually became the Regional Vice President of a trucking and recycling company in Bangor, Maine. In 2004 he became the Executive Director of the Maine Forest Products Council. MFPC is a not-for-profit trade association, represents over 300 member companies, including all segments of the diverse forest products community. Members include manufacturers of pulp & paper, sawmills, fiberboard mills, loggers, foresters and over 8 million acres of commercial working forests.

MFPC was founded over 60 years ago with a focus on policy advocacy in the areas of regulatory oversight, environmental sustainability, and economic development. MFPC is a founding member of the Forest Opportunity Roadmap (FOR/ME) initiative which is a collaboration of organizations working together to strengthen and build markets for forest products as part of the emerging forest bio economy.

Patrick Strauch received his B.S. degree in forest management and his master's in silviculture from the University of Maine. He resides on his tree farm in Exeter, Maine, with his wife Nancy.