

SUCCESS STORY—COOLEY FOREST PRODUCTS, INC.

COOLEY WHOLESALE LUMBER CO. was started in 1945 by H. Dean Cooley in Holbrook, AZ., and the family continues it's long tradition in Arizona forest products today as Cooley Forest Products, with sawmills in Heber and Globe, and a manufacturing facility in Mesa. The firm manufactures quality solid wood paneling and siding, including their Cactus Pine tongue in groove paneling that is carried by lumberyards and wholesalers throughout the Southwest.



In 2007 they purchased a local sawmill and began processing local smallwood into products for manufacture in their Phoenix plant, and wholesale sales to regional softwood buyers. Northern Arizona Wood Products Association, SWSFP and the Northland Pioneer College SBDC have been assisting with safety training for the local mill, and hope to provide marketing assistance once lumber markets return to a profitable range.