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### New Arrival: Truckloads of Reclaimed Douglas Fir

The Redwood product pictured is recycled redwood. Bellevue, WA built one of its newest community centers with Bear Creek Lumber recycled redwood. The Lewis Creek Recreation Center was built by Chinn Construction of Redmond, WA. Salesperson James Witkowski says the project shows the community's commitment to using sustainable materials in how it structures community facilities.

The project reflects Northwest urban design, a mixture of utility, natural beauty and functional design. The Redwood product pictured is recycled redwood including 2 x 2 that are cut from 2 x 8 rough cut inventory, ripped and surfaced to 1 1/2 x 1 1/2 squared. The 1 x 8 T&G is Clear All Heart Mixed Grain. The 1-inch trim, around the doors and windows, is from a Ketchikan, AK water tank.

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To reclaim, rather than recycle, is to use discarded material for its original intended purpose; eg reclaimed woods are those saved from demolition, cleaned up, resawn and sold for reuse. Sustainable wood products, on the other hand, are milled from managed forests that ensure that a certain rate of production is maintained while conserving an ecological balance.

Bear Creek Lumber's commitment to the environment is best exemplified by our practices.

Cloud Bannick, our founder and president, recently purchased an old fishing hut on the Fraser River, an old airport hanger as well as beams from a Portland industrial building. Reclaimed woods are typically remanufactured to flooring, doors, trim, and exposed non-bearing beams. They are superior in several aspects to "new" milled wood products: lower moisture content makes it a very stable product, and the denser grain of old growth makes it more attractive. This wood has a lot of character and usually displays marks from the previous use. For your reference prices run typically above green milled lumber. Give us a call to inquire about current availability at 1.800.597.7191

Below: Reclaimed Douglas Fir Posts and Red Cedar Siding. © DOUG E POTTER DESIGN



## Featured Project: The Bianchi Timber Frame



Above: Western Red Cedar bevel siding was chosen for its moisture and insect resistance properties. The Methow Valley has a range of weather from hot dry summers to cold, snowy winters and red cedar's dimensional stability make it a great exterior product.

Right: Detail of the Red Cedar bevel siding, finished with a grey semi-transparent stain. The exterior trim is also cedar, with a clear stain.

Below: As you reach the second floor, your eyes raise to the king post that meets the four valleys in the roof. All timbers are select structural Douglas Fir. The frame was hand cut by Northern Timberworks in BC, Canada.



## The Bianchi Timber Frame.

If you enjoy the natural warmth of wood in your home, check out a timberframe home. They differ from stick-frame construction in that the load-bearing structure is artfully visible from inside the home. This creates a cozy, traditional look and lends itself to open floorplan designs. A timberframe home typically has SIP (Structural Insulated Panel) walls that create a highly energy-efficient envelope around the house – retaining warmth in the winter and coolness in the summer.

The Bianchi home was designed by a family member, Ed Levin, a passionate timberframer that, along with a handful of other craftsmen in the 70s, revitalized this historical method of building. Levin included some English and Japanese timberframe design elements (including an attention-getting taiko beam on the first floor), and eliminated the need for knee braces by employing extensive engineering calculations. The result is an understated, modern-looking home with a nod toward a more conventional era. The entire frame is Douglas fir and larch, cut from dead-standing timber, and was finished with nontoxic BioShield oils. The frame was cut by Northern Timberworks in BC, Canada. The flooring – reminiscent of wide farmhouse planks – is 1”x12” Douglas fir, ripped and planed on-site. The same material was used for the interior trim. The Bianchis would like to thank everyone that was involved in the project.

Ed Levin, Timber Frame Design - [paradigmbuilders.net](http://paradigmbuilders.net)  
Wayne Cripps, Northern Timberworks - [timberframehomes.ca](http://timberframehomes.ca)  
Brock Smith, Lead Framer - [brockds@telus.net](mailto:brockds@telus.net)  
Paul Shaw - Carpentry - 509-996-3290  
Silas - Donnie - Shane and the crew.

Right, top: Shane flying a section of the roof. The frame assembly took roughly 6 days. Right, bottom: Douglas Fir car decking and posts and beams make up the entry porch roof. Below, both pages: This is a panorama of the first floor, showing a 360° view. The table was made by the Bianchis, from a slab of mahogany.



### Local Ski Hill recipient of donation.

The Loup Loup Ski Hill was started in 1958. Rope tows were the original ways up the hill. Then in 1968 the Poma Lifts were added, and in 1998 the chair lift replaced one of the Poma lifts. In 1970 a lodge was built to enable skiers to come in from the cold, and in 1971 a rental shop was added. The ski team was started in the 1980's, and is still going strong today. On the 16th of February, the Loup hosts a Wolf Chase Race that attracts participants from all over the Pacific Northwest, including people from Canada. This ski area is a wonderful example of community spirit. During the 50 years of operation, professionals of all types have donated time, and materials to ensure the success of this enterprise. Most recently there was a new building built which added many new features, and improved on existing facilities. This addition moved the ski hill into the 21st century, including indoor restroom facilities with running water. There is also now an expanded ticket counter, and a conference room that will be available for community people to check out for birthdays, meetings, and other activities. The administrative offices are also housed in this new building. In addition there is now a phone system. Over the last 30 years, Bear Creek Lumber has donated materials of all type to the Loup, including the most recent donation of siding for the new building (pictured). Additionally, just about everyone in the community, and every business has donated, in one way or another, to make the capital improvements happen. This new improvement to the ski hill has given the community a tremendous boost. There have been thousands of hours of volunteer work donated on this project, and everything came together one piece at a time with all those people involved, it has been just wonderful.

One of the best features of this ski hill is the fact that there are no lines, and the hill just absorbs people. On the busiest day people come from the coast and they say, "oh, there's nobody here". The local people are going: "well

### Baby Announcement

Bear Creek Lumber is proud to announce that our Customer Service and Accounting employee Emily and her husband Aaron had a healthy baby girl on January 3rd, at 6:34 pm.

Welcome Layla Megan Buzzard ~ 8 lbs 1 oz, 19 in.



Above: The Western Red Cedar siding on the ticketing building was donated by Bear Creek Lumber. Below: The old Ski Lodge next to the new building. The Red Cedar Siding is a great choice for harsh climates. Photos: © O. Witkowski



this is as big as it gets! People from all over find this beautiful niche in a wonderful place and come to visit. Every year the Loup Loup Ski Education Foundation organizes an auction, which is the only way, in addition to volunteer efforts, that capital improvements are possible. All funds raised at this auction go 100% to capital improvements. For more information on the auction, or other questions, go to [www.skitheloup.com](http://www.skitheloup.com). Every year volunteers, and employees, do summer grooming to make the hill safer, and able to be skied with less snow pack. This helps in low snow years, and it also helps with safety concerns such as rocks and trees. The groomers are able to open the hill with 14 inches of snow, and currently the ski area has 48-55 inches of snow on the ground. Most likely the Loup Loup Ski Area will be open until April 1st this year. On average it is open 50-60 days a year. The prices are reasonable and the skiing is fantastic.

We invite you to come check it out.

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Omaste Witkowski, Editor Joe Hammer, Sales Specials



**PORT ORFORD CEDAR  
MID WINTER SALE**  
PRICES SO HOT, THEY ARE MELTING!

Left: Port Orford Cedar Timbers, on Special this month.

Right: 1x6 Tongue and Groove Port Orford Cedar Clear Siding



If you would like to order any of these products simply indicate quantities and mail or fax this form to us. Our fax number is 1-509-997-2040 . A salesperson will contact you with a shipping quote and arrange payment options to complete the order.

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**Timbers**

- POC 4X6 CLEAR ROUGH CUT \$9.80 PER LINEAR FOOT \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- POC 4X8 CLEAR ROUGH CUT \$14.67 PER LINEAR FOOT \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- POC 4X10 CLEAR ROUGH CUT \$19.67 PER LINEAR FOOT \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- POC 4X12 CLEAR ROUGH CUT \$26.00 PER LINEAR FOOT \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- WRC 4X6 CLEAR S4S \$9.80 PER LINEAR FOOT \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- WRC 4X8 CLEAR ROUGH \$14.67 PER LINEAR FOOT \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- WRC 4X12 CLEAR ROUGH \$26.00 PER LINEAR FOOT \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- WRC 3X6 CLEAR VERTICAL GRAIN \$9.00 PER LINEAR FOOT \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- WRC 3X10 CLEAR VERTICAL GRAIN \$23.00 PER LINEAR FOOT \_\_\_\_\_ LF

**Flooring**

- 1X3 DOUGLAS FIR CVG \$3.50 / SQ FT \_\_\_\_\_ SF
- 1X3 JATOBA CLEAR T&G \$4.95 / SQ FT \_\_\_\_\_ SF
- 1X3 DOUGLAS FIR CLER \$ 3.50 / SQ FT \_\_\_\_\_ SF

**Siding**

- WESTERN RED CEDAR 1X8 STK T&G V4E RESAWN \$1.55 / LF \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- WESTERN RED CEDAR 1X6 CLEAR T&G FLUSH RESAWN \$1.50 / LF \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- WESTERN RED CEDAR 5/4X8 RABBETTED BEVEL \$1.50 / LF \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- PORT ORFORD CEDAR 1X6 STK T&G \$1.30 / LF \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- PORT ORFORD CEDAR 1X6 CLEAR T&G \$1.95 / LF \_\_\_\_\_ LF

**Decking**

- IPE 5/4X6 CLEAR S4S \$3.13 / LF \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- WESTERN RED CEDAR 2X4 CLEAR S4S \$1.67 / LF \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- YELLOW CEDAR 5/4X5 CLEAR S4S \$1.83 / LF \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- YELLOW CEADR 2X4 CLEAR S4S \$2.67 / LF \_\_\_\_\_ LF
- PORT ORFORD CEDAR 2X6 CLEAR S4S \$5.75 / LF \_\_\_\_\_ LF

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Above: 2x6 POC select Tight Knot interior paneling in a home in Hawaii.

Left: 1x6 Port Orford Cedar Clear Tongue and Groove interior paneling.

Right: POC on the exterior as well.

