

# **NCREIF Timberland 101:**

A history of Timberland Investment Management Organizations & an Introduction to NCREIF timberland performance products

## What is a TIMO?

- "TIMO" = Timberland Investment Management Organization
- Third party asset or investment manager for predominately institutional investors
- Serve as fiduciary for investor capital
- Property management may be integrated or outsourced
- Investment vehicles are private equity; most are fee simple ownership of timberlands
- Typically utilize low to no debt financing



## **Timberland Investment Thesis**

- Long-term capital appreciation
- Good diversification within traditional portfolio from low correlations to other assets
- Biological growth underpins returns
- Low volatility, relatively high Sharpe ratio
- Potential inflation hedge
- Real asset & commodity attributes
- Sustainable the original "green" asset

### **TimberLink**

### NCREIF vs. Timberlink

	NCREIF	Timberlink
Participants	13	22
Frequency	Quarterly	Bi-annual
Start date	1989	2005
Asset base	U.S. only	Global
Reporting	Returns	AUM only
Requirements	Appraisal	Self-reported



## The Pioneer Days – Early to Mid 1980's

Early to mid 1980's – Pioneers	1990's –	Mid 2000's – Forest product corps divest	Early 2020's – New names, same faces
Capital	Acreage	Investor Objectives	TIMOs
<ul> <li>US\$29 million</li> <li>Mostly US investors</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>93% US South</li> <li>7% Pacific Northwest</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>1987 – 1994: 20% real returns</li> <li>Pure timberland private equity</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sparked by ERISA &amp; tax code changes</li> <li>4 firms develop NCREIF index</li> </ul>

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SOURCE: NCREIF Timberland Property Index (TPI); capital & regions as of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 1986

### The Second Gen Pioneers – Mid to Late 1990's

Early to mid 1980's – Pioneers	Mid to late 1990's – 2 <sup>nd</sup> gen	Mid 2000's – Forest product corps divest	Early 2020's – New names, same faces
Capital	Acreage	Investor Objectives	TIMOs
<ul> <li>US\$2 billion</li> <li>Still mostly US investors</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>63% US South</li> <li>20% Pacific Northwest</li> <li>18% Northeast</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>1995 – 2003: 5% real</li> <li>Inflation hedging &amp; risk profile demonstrated by better data</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Industry doubles to about 15 firms</li> <li>Markets more efficient</li> </ul>

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SOURCE: NCREIF TPI; capital & regions as of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 1995

### Forest Products Corps Divest – Mid 2000's

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Capital	Acreage	Investor Objectives	TIMOs
<ul> <li>US\$16 billion; US\$24 billion post-IP deal (2006 YE)</li> <li>Non-US investors begin investing at scale</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>40% US South</li> <li>15% Pacific Northwest</li> <li>25% Other North America</li> <li>7% South &amp; Central America</li> <li>12% New Zealand &amp; Australia</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2004 – 2006: 11% real</li> <li>Opportunistic priorities emerge</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Industry doubles again to 28+ firms</li> <li>Massive deal flow</li> </ul>

SOURCE: TimberLink's survey of TIMO AUM for capital & regions as of 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter 2005; NCREIF TPI for returns

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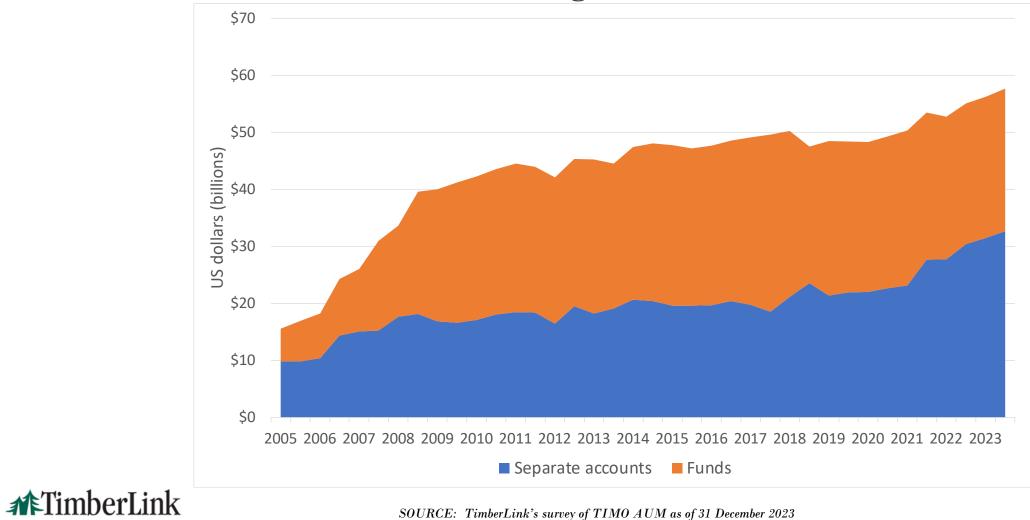
## The Post GFC Modern Era

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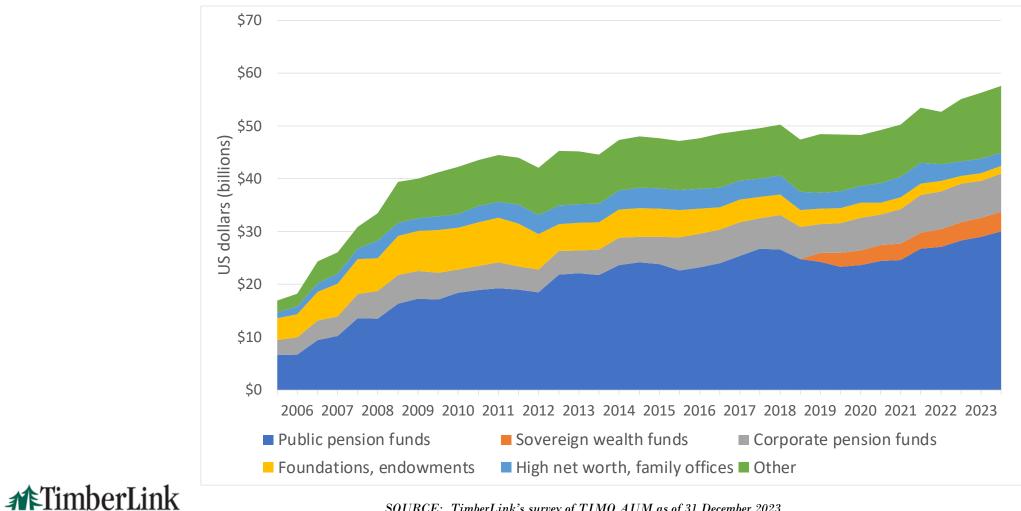
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<ul> <li>US\$55 billion</li> <li>Majority of investors are ex-US</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>37% US South</li> <li>12% Pacific Northwest</li> <li>19% Other North America</li> <li>13% South &amp; Central America</li> <li>18% New Zealand &amp; Australia</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>2007 – 2022: 3% real</li> <li>Shift to investor governance, more control</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Buyouts &amp; successions</li> <li>Inter-TIMO transactions, some with REITs</li> </ul>

SOURCE: TimberLink's survey of TIMO AUM for capital & regions as of 4<sup>th</sup> quarter 2022; NCREIF TPI for returns

## Total Assets Under Management

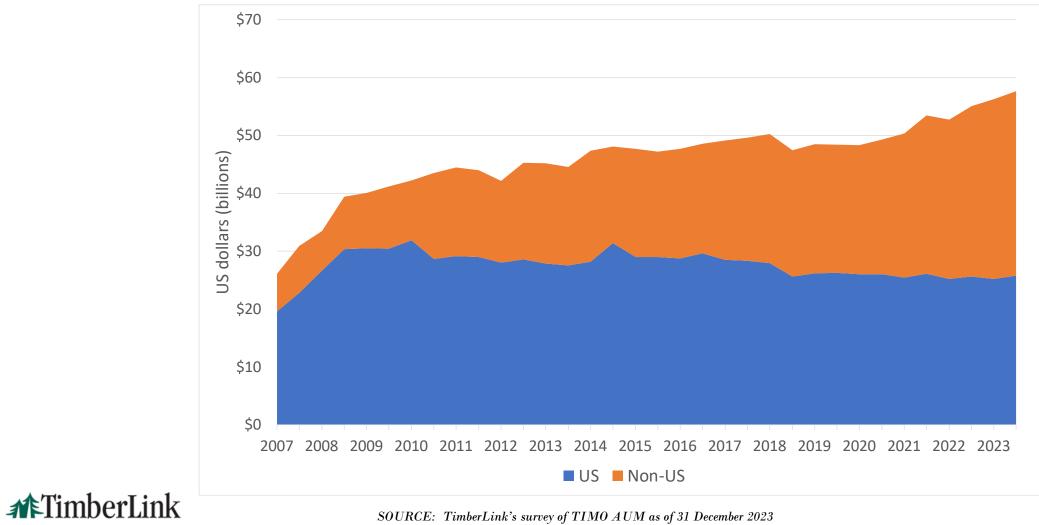






SOURCE: TimberLink's survey of TIMO AUM as of 31 December 2023

### **Investor Domicile**



### Trends to Watch

### Capital

- Demand may outpace supply
- Rebirth of funds, especially evergreen

### Acreage

- More investment into hardwoods, natural & greenfield for carbon
- Reignited interest in South America

### Investor objectives

- 2023+: 5-6% real returns
- Legacy: pure timber
- New money: natural capital

#### TIMOs

- Need more with "boots on the ground" experience
- Enhanced silviculture through new technologies

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### **NCREIF** Mission Statement

• "NCREIF is a member-driven, not-for-profit association that improves private real estate investment industry knowledge by providing transparent and consistent data, performance measurement, analytics, standards and education."

## More than Data:

- NCREIF members contribute to the industry by participating in committee work and reporting standards development.
- Providing forums with strong educational content to address industry issues and to improve industry best practices
- Publishing informed, industry-related articles and reports
- NCREIF hosts 2 conferences a year.
- Education: NCREIF Academy

- Data Collection for Timber membership
- Quarterly Cycle for Data collection. Members submit template through NCREIF portal
- Collection of financial and non-financial data points
- Data is aggregated to build Timber property and Fund indices
- Confidentiality and Masking rules in place, no individual member data is available to membership



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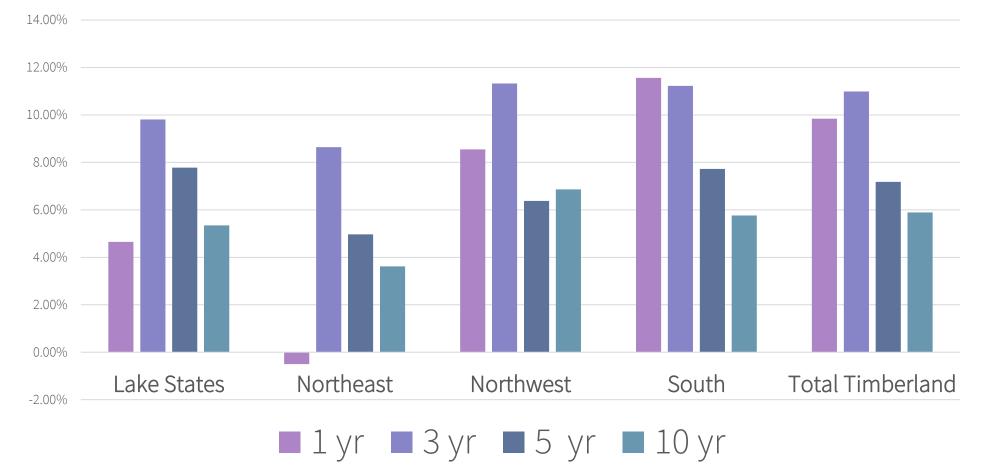
#### NCREIF Timberland Property Index

Data through June 30, 2024

Total Index				Market Value	e Mkt Value Returns (						eturns (%)	%)			
rotan Index		Props	Years	(\$ millions)	Acres	Per Acre		2024/2	2024/1	2023/4	2023/3	2023/2	YTD	1 Year	
	Total Timberland	443	37.50	27,560.5	12,606,049	2,186	Total Return:	1.71	2.12	4.34	1.37	1.71	3.86	9.84	
							Appreciation Return:	1.22	1.60	3.67	0.73	1.08	2.83	7.37	
						EBITDDA Return:	0.49	0.52	0.67	0.64	0.63	1.01	2.34		
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Regional Subindexes		Props	Years	(\$ millions)	Acres	Per Acre		2024/2	2024/1	2023/4	2023/3	2023/2	YTD	1 Year	
	South	303	37.50	17,637.3	8,025,551	2,198	Total Return:	1.93	2.09	5.35	1.77	1.73	4.05	11.56	
							Appreciation Return:	1.47	1.49	4.58	1.03	0.94	2.98	8.80	
							EBITDDA Return:	0.46	0.60	0.77	0.74	0.79	1.06	2.59	
	Northwest	84	37.50	7,387.5	2,171,582	3,402	Total Return:	1.72	2.74	3.14	0.70	1.86	4.51	8.55	
							Appreciation Return:	1.21	2.42	2.55	0.32	1.52	3.66	6.65	
							EBITDDA Return:	0.51	0.32	0.59	0.38	0.34	0.83	1.82	
	Northeast	39	30.50	1,292.8	771,332	1,676	Total Return:	-0.57	-0.23	0.42	-0.12	0.84	-0.80	-0.50	
							Appreciation Return:	-1.44	-0.80	0.31	-0.82	0.58	-2.23	-2.73	
						EBITDDA Return:	0.87	0.57	0.11	0.70	0.26	1.44	2.27		
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							Appreciation Return:	0.45	0.59	1.29	0.29	1.06	1.04	2.63	
							EBITDDA Return:	0.27	0.55	0.51	0.63	0.48	0.82	1.98	

				Annualized Returns (%)												
Total Index			1 Yr	2 Yrs	3 Yrs	4 Yrs	5 Yrs	6 Yrs	7 Yrs	8 Yrs	9 Yrs	10 Yrs	15 Yrs	20 Yrs	Incept	Begin Quarter
	Total Timberland	Total Ret:	9.84	10.49	10.99	8.96	7.18	6.46	6.05	5.70	5.44	5.89	5.03	7.12	10.72	1986/4
		Apprec Ret:	7.37	7.80	7.99	5.95	4.29	3.56	3.11	2.80	2.59	3.02	2.26	4.04	5.89	
		EBITDDA Ret:	2.34	2.54	2.83	2.88	2.80	2.83	2.87	2.84	2.81	2.81	2.73	2.99	4.66	
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### **Timberland Annualized Returns**



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#### Timberland Fund & Separate Account Index

#### Quarter-ended 3/31/2024

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Released 5/20/2024

#### NCREIF Timberland Fund and Separate Account Index

March 31, 2024

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Time-Weighted Returns Gross Total Return = GTR Net Total Return = NTR	Current QTR Ended 3/31/2024	Prior QTR Ended 12/31/2023	Quarter Change	1 Year	3 Years
All Funds GTR	2.27%	4.42%	-2.15%	9.96%	11.68%
All Funds NTR	2.07%	4.20%	-2.13%	8.93%	10.61%

	Other Indices											
Time-Weighted Returns Gross Total Return	Current QTR Ended 3/31/2024	Prior QTR Ended 12/31/2023	Quarter Change	1 Year	3 Years							
Forisk Timber REIT (FTR)	3.01%	14.42%	-11.41%	17.31%	5.79%							
NAREIT All Equity REIT Index	-1.30%	17.98%	-19.28%	8.02%	2.47%							
NCREIF ODCE (NFI-ODCE)	-2.37%	-4.83%	2.46%	-11.28%	3.37%							
NCREIF Property Index(NPI)	-0.98%	-3.02%	2.04%	-7.16%	3.63%							
Russell 3000	10.00%	12.00%	-2.00%	29.20%	9.75%							
S&P 500 Index	10.46%	11.69%	-1.23%	29.77%	11.46%							
T-Bills (90 day)	1.32%	1.36%	-0.04%	5.31%	2.59%							
Timberland Property Index	2.12%	4.34%	-2.22%	9.85%	10.99%							

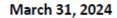
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Time-Weighted Returns Gross Total Return = GTR Net Total Return = NTR	Current QTR Ended 3/31/2024	Prior QTR Ended 12/31/2023	Quarter Change	1 Year	3 Years
All Funds GTR	2.25%	4.93%	-2.68%	11.89%	14.16%
All Funds NTR	2.04%	4.71%	-2.67%	10.77%	13.02%

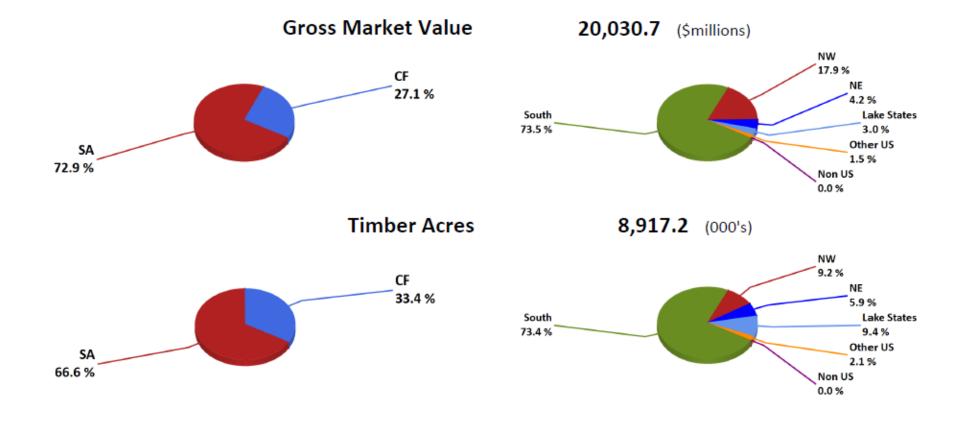
Count	End Net Assets	QTR	1yr	Зyr	5yr	5yr Std Dev	5yr Sharp Ratio	7yr	10yr	10yr Std Dev	10yr Sharpe Ratio
78	\$19,476.7	2.27%	9.96%	11.68%	7.52%	3.31%		5.86%	5.69%	3.18%	1.439
		2.07%	8.93%	10.61%	6.63%	3.23%		5.02%	4.89%	3.10%	1.312
		2.25%	11.89%	14.16%	10.33%	4.06%		7.94%	7.18%	3.58%	2.642
		2.04%	10.77%	13.02%	9.29%	4.02%		6.88%	6.17%	3.53%	2.446
21	\$5,668.0	2.06%	8.56%	12.30%	7.73%	4.30%		5.25%	4.51%	4.34%	0.620
		1.66%	6.52%	10.23%	6.18%	4.08%		3.91%	3.32%	4.17%	0.462
		1.99%	11.30%	12.57%	8.15%	3.52%		6.18%	5.49%	3.29%	1.536
		1.62%	9.53%	10.80%	6.66%	3.37%		4.72%	4.21%	3.14%	1.274
57	\$13,808.7	2.35%	10.54%	11.33%	7.38%	3.09%		6.25%	6.51%	2.94%	2.085
		2.24%	9.97%	10.74%	6.81%	3.08%		5.66%	5.92%	2.89%	2.026
		2.34%	12.10%	14.67%	11.09%	4.87%		8.56%	7.79%	4.18%	2.913
		2.19%	11.23%	13.77%	10.22%	4.88%		7.66%	6.89%	4.15%	2.828
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Time-weighted Returns are leveraged and annualized for periods greater than a year. All is All Funds, VW is Value-weight, GTR is Gross Total Return, NTR is Net Total Return, CF is commingled Funds and SA is Separate Account.

- TFSAI Snapshot and PDF Detailed Report
- Snapshot shows current quarter and previous quarter returns, equal and value weighted Snapshot provides other market indices
- PDF Detail report: Gross and Net returns for quarter, as well as annualized returns for 1, 3, 5, 7, and 10 year.

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