

Board-foot

The volume of wood in a twelve inch by twelve inch by one inch piece of wood, or, 144 cubic inches

Cause-and-effect relationship

A relationship between events or things in which one results from the other

Dam

A barrier built to hold back water. The water held behind it can be used for energy production, recreation, drinking, irrigation, or a combination of uses.

Ecosystem goods

Materials, such as timber and water that are produced by natural systems and used by humans

Harvest

Gather, catch, or otherwise collect crops, such as wheat, fish, and timber

Matter

A physical substance that has mass and takes up space

Natural resources

**Materials, such as water,
minerals, energy, and soil
that people use from nature
and natural systems**

Natural systems

The parts, processes, and cycles in an environment, and the interactions among plants, animals, and other organisms with their environment

Particle

A tiny bit of matter

Transport

**To move from one place
to another**

Understory

**Plants growing between
the ground cover and main
canopy of a forest**