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Staff Memo
Joint Institute for Wood Products Innovation
Update and 2020 Scope of Work
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- The Joint Institute for Wood Products Innovation (Institute) is in the final stages of developing a draft of its required report. The report will include a forest product innovation literature review and research gap analysis, potential strategic partnerships with external stakeholders, and a summary of near-term priorities and barriers to in-state production of mass timber as well as other innovative forest products. The draft final report will be presented to the Board at the January 2020 meeting and finalized by February 28, 2020.
- Based on findings from the reporting cycle, the Institute and the Advisory Council developed recommendations for the 2020 Scope of Work (SOW), which will be reflected in the final report. Recommendations focus on those areas identified as of greatest need, including organic and inorganic composites, solid wood/mass timber, extractives, and wood conversion.
- Funds for the 2020 SOW include \$650,000 to be encumbered by June 30, 2020 and spent by June 2022.