

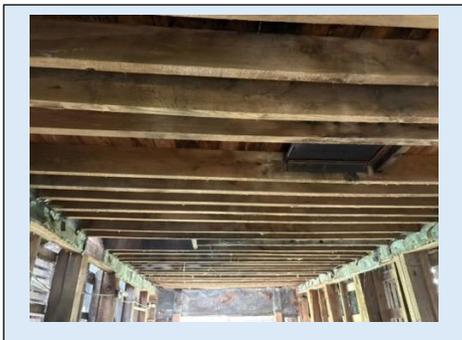
GRASS ROOTS' NEWEST RECLAMATION PROJECT

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Earlier this year, we finished our first wood reclamation project in Paulding County. **GRASS ROOTS** carefully took down a granary and farm equipment building, each built around 1900 on the former Forder/Forrest Homestead. The buildings contained a variety of slow growth hardwood boards (cherry, white oak, red oak, birch, ash, walnut, and possibly maple and American chestnut) that were once milled locally from trees harvested within the Great Black Swamp Forest.

As the Paulding County project was drawing to a close, **GRASS ROOTS** was presented with the opportunity to reclaim hardwood from another granary constructed in the early 1900s, this one located on the northern boundary of the former Great Black Swamp Forest in Lucas County. The building is located near Secor Metropark, which houses one of the better tracks of the Great Black Swamp Forest still in existence. This area of the forest was once rich in red, white, and pin oak and we are finding a predominance of oak timber in the wood being reclaimed.

As we finish our third wood reclamation project, we will be processing the recovered wood (de-nailing, washing, insect treatment, and planing, as needed) and making it available for sale at reasonable prices to woodworkers who share our passion for reclaiming and reusing this one-of-a-kind wood that has been upwards of 200 years in the making. You can learn more about the wide variety of hardwoods we have available for purchase on our website at grassrootsrecyclingtoreuse.com or give us a call at 419-250-3226.



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