



2015 FACT SHEET

- Date:** October 2, 2015. Events, forums, and roundtables will commence with the Manufacturing Luncheon on September 22nd and run through the Flathead Timber Tour on October 22nd.
- About:** Manufacturing Day gives manufacturers an opportunity to raise awareness of manufacturing issues and opportunities by simply exhibiting what they do to visitors curious about manufacturing. On the first Friday in October of every year, thousands of manufacturers across the nation participate in Manufacturing Day by hosting open houses, public tours, career workshops and other events. Through this collective effort, Manufacturing Day draws public attention to manufacturing's present-day reality and encourages job seekers to develop the skills they need to qualify for long-term careers in this growing sector of the economy.
- In 2014:** In 2014, nine facility tours and roundtable discussions were held in the Flathead Valley and attended by 320 citizens.
- Impact:** Manufacturing comprises the largest component of Flathead County's basic industry earnings for the period 2012-2014 (University of Montana Bureau of Business and Economic Research, 2015 Economic Outlook). Wood products manufacturing comprises 13 percent of this total and other manufacturing makes up 15 percent.
- More:** For more information, go to: <http://www.mfgday.com>



MFG Day 2015 Series of Events

September 22, 11:30 – MFG Day Luncheon, Kalispell Red Lion

September 25, 11:30-5:00 – Brewery/Winery/Distillery Tour, south side of the valley

Tamarack Brewing Company

Mission Mountain Winery

Whistling Andy

Flathead Lake Brewing Company

September 30:

10:00 Kalispell Middle School STEM Program Open House

11:00 Kalispell Creamery Tour

1:30 Flathead High School Biomedical Academy Open House

TBA Glacier High School Engineering Academy Open House

October 2:

8:00 Colter Coffee Company

9:00 Ceres Bakery

11:00 Applied Materials

1:00 Nomad Global Communication Solutions

2:30 ViZN Energy

4:00 Proof Research

4:30 & 5:30 Kalispell Brewing Company

5:00 Glacier Sun Winery

October 9, 11:30-5:00 – Brewery/Winery/Distillery Tour, north side of valley

Kalispell Brewing Company

Glacier Sun Winery

Glacier Distilling Company

Bonsai Brewing Project

Great Northern Brewing Company

October 14, 10:00 – 6:00 Haas Demo Days and Center for Manufacturing Advancement Open House

October 22, Timber Tour, an event of Montana Wood Products Week