

Capitol Research Division SNL Financial 1-800-969-4121 Annual Report 2004



fimberland Branch Locations Poulsbo Silverdale King Ocean Shores Auburn Grays Harbor Edgewood Hoguiam Puyallup Gig Harbor Tacoma Aberdeen Winlock (2 branches) Bethel Station (*Spanaway*) Yelm Montesano Tòledo Ťumwater Elma Lacey (2 branches) Olympia



Dear Fellow Shareholders of Timberland Bancorp, Inc.:

On behalf of the Directors and Employees of Timberland Bancorp, Inc. and its subsidiaries, it is my pleasure to invite you to our annual meeting which will be held January 25, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. in Hoquiam's Timberland Regional Library building. During the meeting we will discuss the financial operating results of the fiscal year, provide a question and answer period and conduct our election of Directors. For your review, the operating results are fully detailed in the Company's 10-K which is included in the following pages.



Michael R. Sand

During the fiscal year we opened an office in Gig Harbor, Washington to serve the expanding western Pierce County market. We also negotiated the purchase of seven branch offices from a local competitor. The acquisition, Timberland's first since becoming a public company, was important for a number of reasons. We were able to expand the geographic reach of our branch system, consolidate two acquired branches into existing Timberland branch offices, and secure a deposit base that is comprised primarily of checking, savings and money market accounts. The branches in Winlock and Toledo allow us to have a physical presence in Lewis County where we have made loans for a number of years. The branch consolidation strengthened our offices in Montesano and in Hoquiam by adding core deposits, additional qualified staff and a larger customer base. The acquired deposit base that consisted of approximately 72% checking, savings and money market accounts is expected to reduce our cost of funding. We believe the acquisition will be accretive to earnings (net of initial transaction expenses) within one year following the full integration of the new branches into our system. The acquisition brings solid potential to generate long-term earnings growth and it complements our ongoing efforts to increase shareholder value.

The migration we made to a more technologically advanced core operating system during the prior fiscal year, along with the experiences gained through the conversion process, allowed the efficient acquisition of the seven branch offices this year. We are pleased with the opportunity to serve additional customers over a broader geographic area.

We are seeing positive trends in the Northwest economy. During our most recent quarter our loan portfolio grew by a net \$10 million and our non-performing assets ratio improved to .40% from 1.15% at the end of the prior fiscal year. Deposits grew by \$12 million and our net interest margin increased to 4.92%. We also increased our quarterly dividend to \$.15 per share in August of this year. This represents a 7% increase from the prior dividend rate.

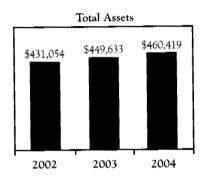
We hope that you will be able to join us at our annual meeting on Tuesday, January 25, 2005 at 1:00 p.m. in Hoquiam's Timberland Regional Library building.

Sincerely. Michael the Sand

Michael R. Sand President and C.E.O.

FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS TIMBERLAND BANCORP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES

The following table presents selected financial information concerning the consolidated financial position and results of operations of Timberland Bancorp, Inc. ("Company") at and for the dates indicated. The consolidated data is derived in part from, and should be read in conjunction with, the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Company and its subsidiaries presented herein.



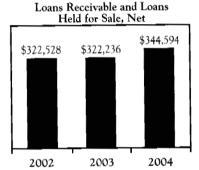
	(In thousands except share data)							
SELECTED FINANCIAL DATA Total Assets Loans Receivable and Loans Held for Sale, Net Deposits Shareholders' Equity	\$	460,419 344,594 319,570 72,817	\$	449,633 322,236 307,672 77,611	\$	431,054 322,528 292,316 74,396		

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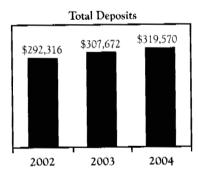
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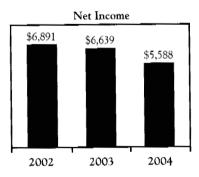
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OPERATING DATA			
Interest and Dividend Income	\$ 26,968	\$ 27,723	\$ 30,263
Interest Expense	7,325	8,946	10,890
Net Interest Income	19,643	18,777	19,373
Provision for Loan Losses	167	347	992
Net Interest Income after Loan Loss Provision	19,476	18,430	18,381
Non-Interest Income	4,179	6,007	4,658
Non-Interest Expense	15,575	14,832	12,716
Income before Federal Income Taxes	8,080	9,605	10,323
Provision for Federal Income Taxes	2,492	2,966	3,342
Net Income	\$ 5,588	\$ 6,639	\$ 6,891



EARNINGS PER COMMON SHARE			
Basic	\$ 1.54	\$ 1.74	\$ 1.76
Diluted	\$ 1.46	\$ 1.66	\$ 1.71



KEY FINANCIAL RATIOS				
Return on Average Assets	1.24%	1.52%	1	1.73%
Return on Average Equity	7.52	8.67		9.42
Net Interest Margin	4.77	4.61		5.08
Efficiency Ratio	65.38	59.85		52.91
Non-Performing Assets to Total Assets	0.40	1.15		1.03
Total Equity-to-Assets	15.82	17.26		17.26
Book Value Per Share (1)	\$ 18.76	\$ 18.25	\$	17.14
Book Value Per Share (2)	\$ 20.28	\$ 19.77	\$	18.69

- (1) Calculation includes ESOP shares not committed to be released.
- (2) Calculation excludes ESOP shares not committed to be released.

DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS TIMBERLAND BANCORP, INC.

OFFICERS:

Michael R. Sand President and Chief Executive Officer

Dean J. Brydon Chief Financial Officer and Secretary

Marci A. Basich Treasurer

DIRECTORS:

Clarence E. Hamre Chairman of the Board

Michael R. Sand President and Chief Executive Officer of Timberland Bancorp, Inc. and Timberland Bank

Andrea M. Clinton Owner of AMC Interiors

James C. Mason
President and owner of Mason Timber Co., Mason Trucking, Mason Properties, MASCO Petroleum, and Mason
Aviation

Richard R. Morris, Jr. Retired. Former owner of Dick's Food Centers, Inc.

Jon C. Parker Member of the law firm Parker, Johnson & Parker P.S.

Ronald A. Robbel
Retired. Certified Public Accountant most recently with Knight, Vale & Gregory

David A. Smith Owner of Harbor Drug, Inc., a retail pharmacy

Harold L. Warren Certified Public Accountant with Aiken and Sanders, Inc. P.S.

CORPORATE INFORMATION

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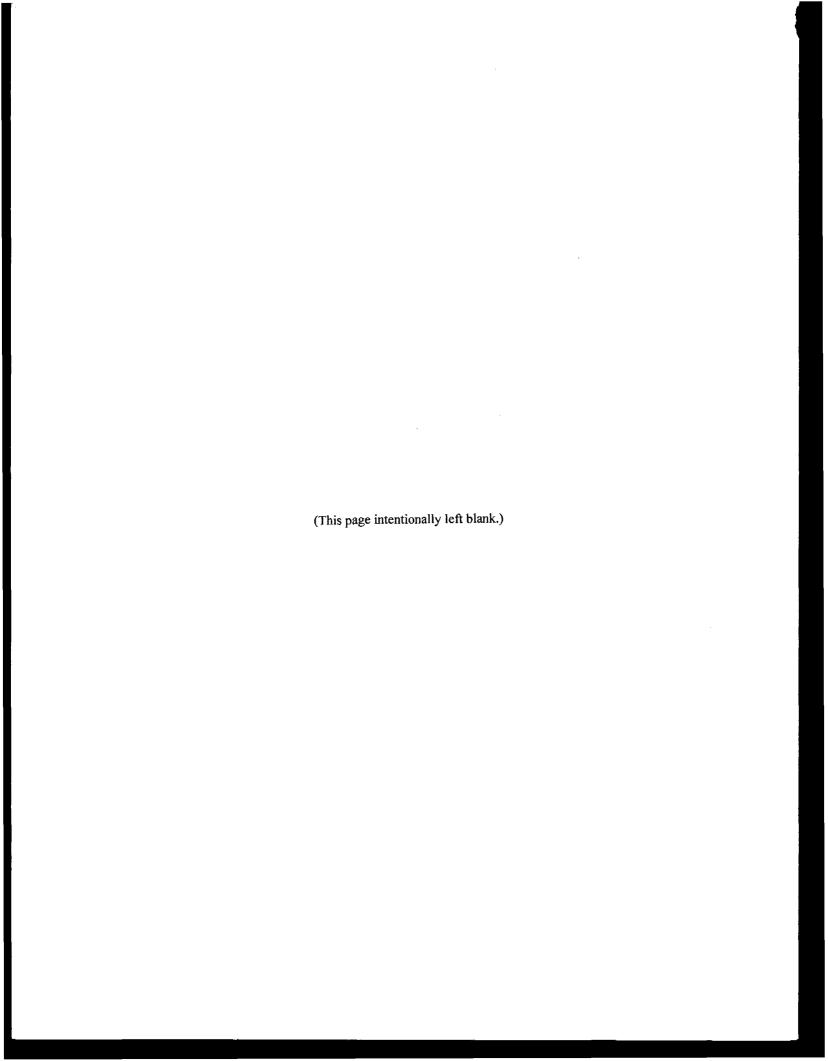
TRANSFER AGENT

For shareholder inquiries concerning dividend checks, transferring ownership, address changes or lost or stolen certificates please contact our transfer agent:

American Stock Transfer & Trust Company 59 Maiden Lane New York, New York 10038 (800) 937-5449

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Hoquiam Timberland Library, 420 7th Street, Hoquiam, Washington on Tuesday, January 25, 2005 at 1:00 p.m., Pacific Time.



2004 FORM 10-K

We have included our Form 10-K, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, with our annual report to give you more complete information about our Company. A table of contents can be found facing page one.

Written requests to obtain a copy of any exhibit listed in Part IV should be sent to Timberland Bancorp, Inc., P.O. Box 697, Hoquiam, Washington 98550, attention: Investor Relations Department.

