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Day 21 of my "30 Days of MN Agriculture" is Kim Halvorson of Halvorson Farms. Halvorson Farms are located in Morristown, MN. Morristown is located in Rice County, which is southwest of Minneapolis. The Halvorsons raise turkeys and run a business called, "Bio Wood Processing." As you read on, you will find out what "bio wood processing" is.

#### **Social Media Sites:**

Facebook: [Bio Wood Processing](#)

Website: [Bio Wood Processing](#)

#### **Tell me a little about your farm and/or business?**

"Halvorson Farms began in 1989 as a contract Farm. We bought out the contract in 1997 and became an Independent Poultry Producer.

Bio Wood Processing (2011) is the brainchild of son-in-law Joe Barna who is a co-owner of Bio Wood along with myself & Dennis Halvorson."

**How long have you farmed or been in business?**

Since 1989: Halvorson Farms

Since 2011: Bio Wood Processing

Since 1998: Halvorson Applications

**Tell me a little about what you grown/raise/produce or service provided.**

"Halvorson Farms produces approximately 3.5 Million #'s of Turkey/yearly

Bio Wood Processing Grinds 3.5 million #'s of reused wood /monthly to be used for animal bedding.

Halvorson Applications brokers/sells and applies 5,000 – 6,000 Tons of Turkey Manure annually."

**Where do you sell or provide services to? Who is your end consumer?**

"Turkeys are currently marketed through Sara Lee/Tyson – Storm Lake, IA

Bio Wood Processing markets to the Turkey, Dairy, Horse & Beef Producers in MN & IA.

Halvorson Applications markets to corn, soybean & Hay producers in a 5 county area."

**What is one thing you wish consumers knew about what you do or your farm/business?**

"The attention animal ag pays to details. Caring for the animals in the best possible way. The pre-testing prior to shipment to make sure we are bringing quality to the market."

**What is one thing about Minnesota that people from other areas do not know about or are missing because they don't live here?**

"Minnesota NICE truly exists! Working in rural areas you see it often, but Minnesota Nice even exists in the more heavily populated areas of Minnesota."

**Is there anything else you would like to add?**

"The answer to the question every Turkey Producer fields:

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Yes – we *love* to eat turkey

No – The Thanksgiving holiday does Not mean we are extra busy. Turkey is produced all year long and is good to eat *EVERY day.*"

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- [Rural Route 2 – 30 Days of Farm Girl Faith](#)
- [Prairie Californian – 30 Days of Food](#)
- [Mackinson Dairy – Women in Dairy](#)