

Did you know this about Nurmes?

- City of Nurmes established the area of green industry in 2013.
- An environmental impact assessment allows a swift start to new wood processing activities.
- The size and shape of the industrial building lots in the area of green industry will be tailored to the needs of relocating companies.
- Pitkämäki cargo rail terminal offers loading and shipping services for round wood and industrial products.
- Pielinen Karelia Development Center Ltd PIKES offers comprehensive business advisory services and stakeholder cooperation for companies interested in starting or developing their operations in Nurmes area.
- International forest industry operators, Binderholz Nordic Ltd and Scanpole Ltd, operate in Nurmes. In addition, Nurmes is known for thriving food companies: Porokylän Leipomo LP, Pielispakari Ltd, Pielisen Kalajaloste Ltd, Nurmeksen Kala Ltd, and Nurmeksen Filituote Ltd.

Companies located in the area

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| • Karjalan Metsä ja Energia KME Oy: energy wood harvesting and chip retail | • Kuljetusliike Pellikka Oy: lifting and transport work, topsoil production, waste treatment station |
| • Koneurakointi S. Kuittinen Oy: logging, harvesting on islands, and timber transport | • RP Timber Oy: rail freight and port operator for timber, inland terminal services |
| • Huolto-osapiste Oy: spare parts and maintenance services for heavy equipment | • Karjalan Konepojat Oy: timber loading, intermediate storage & machine work |

Area of green industry – Nurmes

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General description of the area

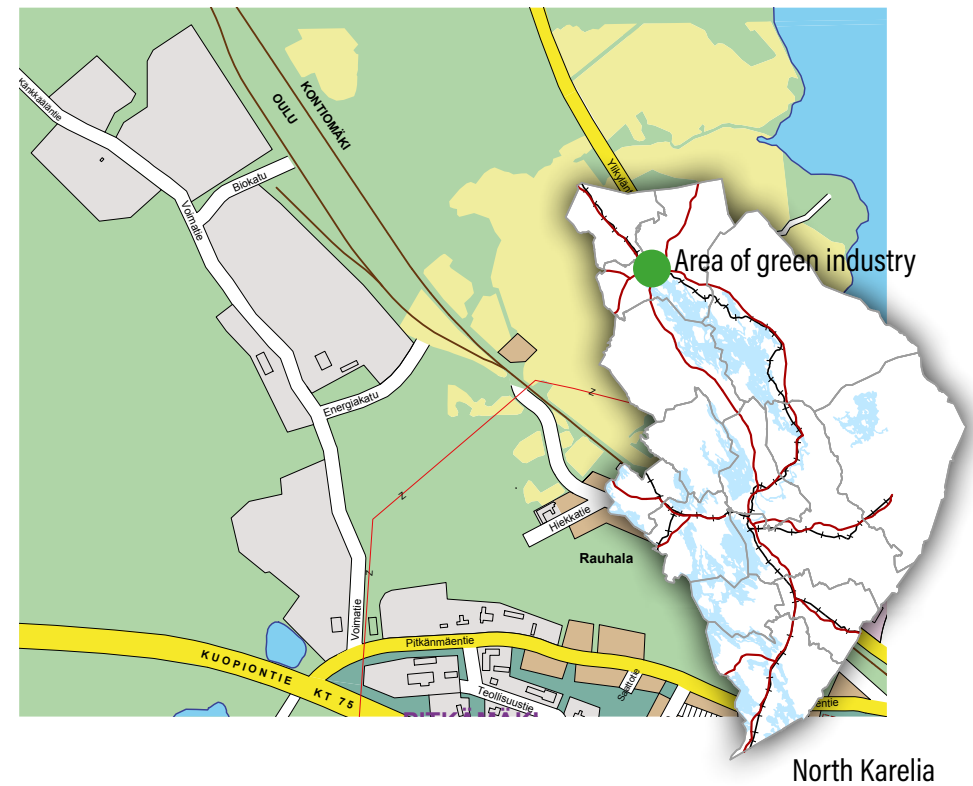
The area of green industry is located in Nurmes along the Voimatie road. The location is well connected to main roads 6 (Joensuu-Kajaani-Oulu) and 75 (Kuopio-Kuhmo). There is also a freight rail connection to both north and south. The distance to the nearest international border crossing point (Finland/Russia) is 120 km.

The total size of the industrial area is approximately 50 hectares. The subsections of the industrial area are classified suitable for either chemical or non-chemical industry. An environmental impact assessment, completed in 2014, enables and boosts versatile wood-based business activities.

Green industry rail freight terminal

In the autumn of 2018, a timber loading and unloading terminal and an industrial rail were opened in the area. They were built jointly by the Finnish Transport Infrastructure Agency and the city of Nurmes. The project also received funding from the Regional Council of North Karelia. The handling capacity of the terminal is 300,000 cubic metres of round wood per year.

The industrial rail connection and logistics services are accessible to all companies. The city of Nurmes manages and rents the industrial rail line and loading area. The area of green industry also offers premises for the intermediate storage of transport goods.



Current situation and outlook for the future

Several companies develop their functions in the area and new business projects are on the way. The city of Nurmes leases industrial plots equipped with urban infrastructure and telecommunications connections. Public development plans for the area include building a gas filling and electric charging station, and a street with smart lighting.

The area of green industry is building on the foundation of bio-economy and circular economy and it is to become a busy business hub in a few years. The potential future employment impact of the area is approximately 400 person-years.