

BCCFA Annual Update

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BC Community Forest Association

BCCFA Strategic Plan 2012 - 2017



External Relations and
Government Policy



Member Services



Education



Operations and
Governance

BCCFA Strategic Plan

1. External Relations and Government Policy

- BCCFA objectives are reflected in the policies and decision of government, and are supported by industry associations, NGOs and academic institutions.

2. Membership

- Community forest organizations have access to the resources they need to be successful.

BCCFA Strategic Plan

3. Education

- British Columbians are knowledgeable about community forestry, and the benefits that community forests bring to communities in BC.

4. Operations and Governance

- BCCFA board and staff demonstrate professional standards of excellence and accountability in all aspects governance.

President's Report 2015



British Columbia Community Forest Association Annual General Meeting June 13 2015 President's Report

Prepared by Jennifer Gunter, Executive Director
Submitted on behalf of the Board of Directors by President, Erik Leslie

Changes to the Forest Act

Bill 25: Forest, Lands and Natural Resource Operations Statutes Amendment Act, 2015

- Gives Minister the discretionary authority to include a volume reservation for BCTS within the boundaries of a CFA.
- A CFA holder with such a licence would no longer have the exclusive right to harvest timber, this would be shared with BCTS.
- BCCFA was successful in ensuring that this would only apply to new licences.
- We will work with government on the regulations & policy.
- Support voluntary Business to Business relationships.

External Relations and Government Policy

Advocacy for Community Forests

Program Expansion

Tsilhqot'in

Administrative
Streamlining

Wildfire Hazard

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Pricing

Joint Working Group

Safety Advisory
Committee

Land Based Investment

- Second year of a new program that integrates CFAs into Forests for Tomorrow
- Eligible projects are current reforestation and midterm timber supply mitigation
- Criteria are set by FLNRO, and projects are approved the Program Administrator PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP
- BCCFA plays a coordinating role
- Planning for 2016 – 2017 is starting now

Member Services

Membership Recruitment

Extension

UBC Project

Fee for Service

Communications

Annual Conference

Bridges II

FPInnovations

WoodSourceBC

Extension Services

1. Extension services are an element of our core operations
2. UBC Extension Program
3. New Fee for Service, focusing on effective governance





Community Forest Indicators Project

Measuring the Benefits of Community Forests

Community Forest Indicators

January 2015



“Community forests are, on average, creating 50% more jobs/m³ than the industry average. They operate in sensitive areas, and are meeting their cut control while reliably supplying logs to both major processing facilities and small manufacturers.”

“On average they are contributing over \$ 1.6 million a year each to the economy and are making donations of over \$100,000 annually to support local priorities.”



Economic Benefits



Cut Control & Log Sales



Investments in Intensive Silviculture



First Nations Involvement



Investments in Education



Investments in Recreation



Investments in Forest Stewardship



Proactive efforts to reduce wildfire hazard

What's next?



Member input during
conference sessions



Review Strategic Plan



Indicators annual survey



Improve financial
sustainability



Thank you