

2019 BCCFA Conference June 12-14 2019 Mission, BC

BCCFA 2019 Conference Program WEDNESDAY JUNE 12		
8:10 am – 3:30 am	Mission Municipal Forest Field Trip The field trip will feature efforts to operate a working forest while collaborating with local First Nation interests and the multiple recreational users and overlapping tenures on the land base. Resource Persons:	
	Bob O'Neal Bob O'Neal, RPF, Director of Forestry, District of Mission Chris Gruenwald, RPF, Manager of Forestry Business, District of Mission Tom Blackbird, Recreation Officer, Recreation Sites and Trails BC, Chilliwack Dinner on your own	
5:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Registration desk open	
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Welcome Reception Meet and Greet starts at 6:00. This is a free event and open to the public The evening will feature local craft beer and wine	
THURSDAY JUNE 13		
7:00 am - 8:30 am	Hot Breakfast and registration	
8:30 am – 9:00 am	Session 1 Welcome and Housekeeping - Susan Mulkey, BCCFA Manager of Communication and Extension, Conference Coordinator	
	 Jennifer Gunter, BCCFA Executive Director Overview of BCCFA Priorities and Accomplishments Highlights of the BCCFA Report: Socio Economic Impact of BC's Community Forest Program 2019 Community Forest Indicators Survey Outcomes 	



9:00 am – 10:30 am	Session 2
	The 4 Pillars of Disaster Management: Community Forest Leadership &
	Innovation
	Prevention and Mitigation
	Preparedness
	Response
	Recovery
	The Context – Resiliency and Adaptation
	Bob Gray, Association for Fire Ecology, Certified Wildland Fire Ecologist
	R.W. Gray Consulting Ltd.
	Prevention and Mitigation
	Garnet Mireau, RPF, Forsite and Logan Lake Community Forest Management Team
	How to manage for multiple values such as visuals, OGMAs and ungulate
	winter range while managing for fuel mitigation.
	FireSmart Canada, BC FireSmart Committee Chair, FireSmart Canada Provincial
	Liaison, BC Wildfire Service
	How houses fit in the forest
	Ember transfer and defensible space
	Role for community forest managers
	Response
	Build your own Crew
	Cedar Elliot and Margaret Symon, Khowutzun Forest Services
	Recovery
	Ron Jacobson, Business Development Manager, NATS Nursery Ltd.
	The importance of native species and their role in recovery efforts.
10:30 am – 10:50 am	Break
10:50 pm – 12:00 pm	Session 3
	First Nations Reconciliation Panel
	Garry Merkel, RPF, co-chair, Minister's Forest and Range Practices Advisory Council.
	Andrea Lyall, RPF, UBC Doctoral Candidate, Faculty of Forestry Andrea's thesis examines Indigenous People's relationship with the forests including traditional and contemporary uses of the land and sea.



	Community Forest Checker TDA
	Community Forest Speaker TBA The benefits and opportunities for reconciliation inherent in a CF tenure.
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Session 4
	Provincial Policy Update
	John Allan, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource
	Operations and Rural Development
	Coastal and Interior Forest Sector Revitalization
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	Diane Nicholls, Assistant Deputy Minister and Chief Forester Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development • FRPA Improvement Initiative
	Meggin Messenger, Office of the Chief Forester, Executive Director, Strategic
	Initiatives
	Climate change and bio-economy
	Facilitated Q & A on opportunities and challenges proposed reforms bring for
	community forests
2:00 – 2:15	Session 5 Community Investment Co-Op – Gord Borgstrom, BC Rural Centre
	Insurance and CFAs – Jordan Fellner, CIP, CRM, CAIB, Account Manager HUB International Insurance Brokers Hub Insurance
2:15 pm – 2:30 pm	Break
2:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Manager's Meeting
2:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Board of Director's Governance Session
5:30 pm - 11:00 pm	Annual Banquet and Silent Auction
FRIDAY JUNE 14	
6:30 am - 8:00 am	Hot Breakfast
8:30 am – 10:00 am	BCCFA AGM
10:00 am -10:30 am	Session 6
	Meike Siegner, UBC Graduate Student, Faculty of Forestry
	When Forest Management Becomes Personal – An Overview of the Work of
	Community Forest Managers in British Columbia



	Francis Johnson, Alkali Resource Management, Esk'etemc Community Forest Incorporating Traditional Values into Forest Management • The term "traditional values" is like "Indigenous Knowledge" and "Traditional Ecological Knowledge" and is based on the science of natural law using observation, reasoning, local experience, and is influenced by culture and spiritual way aboriginal people look at their ecosystems. This presentation will be discussed from a Secwepemc perspective and with upmost respect to each individual Indigenous Nation that have their own unique morals and values on the land.
10:30 am - 11:00 am	Break
11:00 am – 2:00 pm	Session 7 Blanket Exercise • The Blanket Exercise is based on participatory popular education methodology with a goal to build understanding about our shared history as Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples in Canada by walking through pre-contact, treaty-making, colonization and resistance. Everyone is actively involved as they step onto blankets that represent the land, and into the role of First Nations, Inuit and later Métis peoples. For more information go to: https://www.kairoscanada.org/what-we-do/indigenous-rights/blanket-exercise