

BCCFA Conference
June 12-14 2019
Mission, BC

2019 Conference Program	
WEDNESDAY JUNE 12	
7:00 am - 8:00 am	Hot breakfast Registration desk open
8:10 am – 3:30 am	<p>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.</p> <p>Resource Persons: 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</p>
	Dinner on your own
5:30 pm - 9:00 pm	Registration desk open
6:00 pm - 10:00 pm	<p>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</p>
THURSDAY JUNE 13	
7:00 am - 8:30 am	Hot Breakfast and registration
8:30 am – 9:00 am	<p>Session 1 Welcome and Housekeeping - Susan Mulkey, BCCFA Manager of Communication and Extension, Conference Coordinator</p> <p>Jennifer Gunter, BCCFA Executive Director</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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

<p>9:00 am – 10:30 am</p>	<p>Session 2 The 4 Pillars of Disaster Management: Community Forest Leadership & Innovation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prevention and Mitigation • Preparedness • Response • Recovery <p>The Context – Resiliency and Adaptation Bob Gray, Association for Fire Ecology, Certified Wildland Fire Ecologist R.W. Gray Consulting Ltd.</p> <p>Prevention and Mitigation Garnet Mireau, RPF, Forsite and Logan Lake Community Forest Management Team</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How to manage for multiple values such as visuals, OGMA's and ungulate winter range while managing for fuel mitigation. <p>FireSmart Canada, BC FireSmart Committee Chair, FireSmart Canada Provincial Liaison, BC Wildfire Service</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How houses fit in the forest • Ember transfer and defensible space • Role for community forest managers <p>Response Voice of Experience – Steps to building your own crew Cedar Elliot and Joseph Sampson, Khowutzun Forest Services</p> <p>Recovery Ron Jacobson, Business Development Manager, NATS Nursery Ltd. The importance of native species and their role in recovery efforts.</p>
<p>10:30 am – 10:50 am</p>	<p>Break</p>
<p>10:50 pm – 12:00 pm</p>	<p>Session 3 First Nations Reconciliation Panel</p> <p>Garry Merkel, RPF, co-chair, Minister's Forest and Range Practices Advisory Council and</p> <p>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.</p>

	Hugh Flinton, RPF, Manager Williams Lake Community Forest and Tom Alphonse T'exelcemc (Williams Lake Band) The benefits and opportunities for reconciliation inherent in a CF tenure.
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	<p>Session 4 Provincial Policy Update</p> <p>Jim Schafthuizen, Executive Director, Forest Policy and Indigenous Relations Division, Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coastal and Interior Forest Sector Revitalization <p>Diane Nicholls, Assistant Deputy Minister and Chief Forester Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FRPA Improvement Initiative <p>Meggin Messenger, Office of the Chief Forester, Executive Director, Strategic Initiatives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate change and bio-economy <p>Facilitated Q & A on opportunities and challenges proposed reforms bring for community forests.</p>
2:00 – 2:15	<p>Session 5</p> <p>Community Investment Co-Op – Gord Borgstrom, BC Rural Centre</p> <p>Insurance and CFAs – Jordan Fellner, CIP, CRM, CAIB, Account Manager HUB International Insurance Brokers Hub Insurance</p>
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	<p>Session 6</p> <p>Meike Siegner, UBC Graduate Student, Faculty of Forestry</p>

	<p><u>When Forest Management Becomes Personal – An Overview of the Work of Community Forest Managers in British Columbia</u></p> <p>Francis Johnson, Alkali Resource Management, Esk’etemc Community Forest Incorporating Traditional Values into Forest Management</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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.
<p>10:30 am - 11:00 am</p>	<p>Break</p>
<p>11:00 am – 2:00 pm</p>	<p>Session 7 Blanket Exercise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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