

# BCCFA Annual Update

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BC Community Forest Association



# BCCFA Strategic Plan 2012 - 2017

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External Relations and  
Government Policy



Member Services



Education



Operations and  
Governance

# BCCFA Strategic Plan

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## 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

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## 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

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*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

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## Advocacy for Community Forests

### Program Expansion

### Pricing

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Administrative  
Streamlining

Joint Working Group

Wildfire Hazard

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Safety Advisory  
Committee



# Land Based Investment

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- 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

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## Membership Recruitment

Extension

UBC Project

Fee for Service

Communications

Annual Conference

Bridges II

FPInnovations

WoodSourceBC

# Extension Services

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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/m<sup>3</sup> 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