

Woodlot Opportunities & Challenges

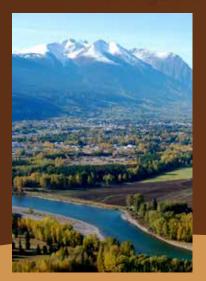
October 5-7, 2019 • Smithers, BC

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The Nadina, Kispiox and Bulkley Woodlot Associations welcome you to the joint 2019 FBCWA/WPDC Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Conference being held at the Prestige Hudson Bay Lodge in Smithers BC. The theme of the conference is Beyond Sawlogs: Woodlot Challenges and Opportunities.

There are 855 active Woodlots in British Columbia, of which over 90 are located in the Nadina, Bulkley and **Kispiox Timber Supply Areas.** The FBCWA represents 17 woodlot associations throughout British Columbia whose members harvest approximately 1.5 million cubic meters of timber annually, generating significant economic activity in our communities. All woodlot licensees are members of the Woodlot Product Development Council.

Whether you decide to fly or drive to Smithers, join us on Saturday evening, October 5th, at Don Cherry's Pub in the Prestige Hotel for an informal get-together with other woodlot licensees, smallscale forestry operators, First Nations members, government staff, forest educators, logging



contractors and consultants.

The conference will start at 7:00am on Sunday, October 6th, with a breakfast, an opportunity to pick up your registration package and a welcome from the Wet'suwet'en Nation. Immediately following breakfast, the Woodlot **Product Development** Council (WPDC) will conduct their 22nd Annual General Meeting. All woodlot licensees are invited to attend the WPDC AGM portion of the conference "free of charge" and pre-registration is not required. We require a minimum of 43 licensees to meet quorum. All woodlot

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licensees are members of the WPDC and may vote at the AGM. If you choose to stay for the remainder of the conference and/or any meals, registration and payment is required.

The remainder of the day will be filled with presenters speaking on topics related to the opportunities and challenges of woodlot management: beyond sawlogs. There will be plenty of opportunity for questions and discussions. In the evening, quests will be treated to a fabulous banquet followed by the Silent Auction, the proceeds of which annually support two students pursuing further education especially in areas related to woodlot management and operations.

On Monday, October 7th, it is time to board the bus for the annual field trip! This year, you will visit 3 industry partners in Houston working co-operatively to utilize and convert wood fiber into viable wood products. Canfor supplies low grade material that won't make the standards for conversion to commodity lumber products. Corewood,

FROM FRONT ----

Tahtsa Group's new mill, extracts value from the material in the creative form of other wood products, while Pinnacle Renewable Energy receives Corewood's residuals for wood pellet manufacture. Pinnacle's pellet manufacturing facility in Houston is a joint venture with Canfor.

No bag lunch on this field trip! Instead you will enjoy a delicious lunch at Rock Nest Ranch inside a beautiful timber framed building with large bay windows to let in the natural light, indoor fireplace and geothermal heating. Following lunch, you will be treated to a fun and memorable afternoon! You can then decide to return to Smithers on the bus or start your journey home.

For those returning to Smithers, the FBCWA Directors and Members will conduct their 32nd AGM on October 8th. For the rest of the delegates, you can sleep in and travel home at a leisurely pace!

The Prestige Hudson Bay Lodge is located at 3251 East Highway 16, Smithers, BC. The hotel is located minutes from downtown shops and restaurants, historic walking tours, picturesque hiking trails, outstanding mountain biking, scenic golfing and all the amazing attractions of the Bulkley Valley.

We hope you are inspired to attend! We look forward to seeing some of you perhaps for the first time, and reacquainting with our woodlot friends who regularly attend the annual event.

Confirmed Speakers:

Pamela Russell, Mike Simpson, Jon Seinen, Stuart Spencer, Ben Weinstein, Jay Baker

Community Sponsors:

Burns Lake Community Forest, Bulkley Valley Credit Union, Babine Forest Products, Pinnacle Renewable Energy Inc., Seaton Forest Products, Dungate Community Forest.

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About The FBCWA

The Federation of BC Woodlot Associations (FBCWA) is a volunteer, not for profit organization that was established in 1988 to represent the interests of woodlot licensees and woodlot owners throughout BC. The Federation is the umbrella organization for BC's 17 Woodlot Associations.

Members of Woodlot Associations include woodlot licensees, woodlot owners and others interested in supporting local woodlot objectives.

The FBCWA has a vision where woodlot holders/owners will participate in a healthy and diverse forest industry with woodlot licences and private forest lands making significant contributions to local communities and providing a sustainable supply of forest products. The FBCWA will have a voice in forest and economic policy. BC's woodlots will be models of forest management excellence and world renowned for their social, economic, recreational, cultural and educational contributions to rural communities.

About The WPDC

The WPDC is a government appointed organization representing all woodlot licensees in BC. The resources of the Woodlot Product Development Council will be used to promote sustainable small scale resource management in British Columbia. Funds collected from woodlot licensees under the Farming and Fishing Industries Development Act, are managed to promote a positive image of the woodlot industry and its products; educate the general public and buyers about the benefits of BC woodlots and small scale woodlot management; and initiate and/or support research and extension programs for the development and enhancement of the woodlot industry in the province.



Saturday October 5, 2019

10:00 -2:00pm 6:00-9:00pm WPDC Directors Meeting Registration & Social, Don Cherry's Pub, Prestige Hotel 3251 East Highway 16 Smithers, BC

Sunday October 6, 2019

Morning

7:00am	Registration & Breakfast
8:15am	Wet'suwet'en Welcome & Town of Smithers
8:30am	WPDC 22nd AGM
9:00am	TD Wealth Management Report
9:30am	Fuel Mitigation Report
10:15am	FBCWA & FLNRORD updates
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Lunch

Afternoon

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1:15pm	Minister Donaldson
1:45pm	Panel 1: Operational and economic opportunities for the Woodlot
	Licensee
3:15pm	Panel 2: Competing Resource Management Objectives, Government
	Regulation and Policy
Evening	

Evening 6:00pm

Banquet & Silent Auction

Monday October 7

Morning

7:00am	Breakfast
8:30am	Board buses/3 mill stops
Lunch	Rock Nest Lodge
Afternoon	Fun Event
4:00pm	Return to Smithers

ACCOMMODATIONS:

YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR BOOKING YOUR OWN ACCOMMODATIONS.

You are responsible for booking your own accommodations. Room rates at the Prestige hotel are \$106/116 plus taxes. Please mention Woodlot Conference Group #2254 to get rate.

Host Hotel:

Prestige Hudson Bay Lodge 3251 East Highway 16 Smithers, BC V0J 2N0 Hotel Direct Number 250-847-4581 www.prestigehotelsandresorts.com/ locations/smithers/overview/

PAYMENT:

Two options to register and pay:

- Online at www.woodlot.bc.ca using credit card though PayPal (You do not need to have a PayPal account)
- Complete paper copy of Registration form and mail along with cheque payable to Woodlot Product Development Council, PO Box 23011 Plaza 33 Postal outlet, Kelowna BC V1X 7K7
- Note: Credit Card payment cannot be processed at the AGM.

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Would your Accompanying Guest like to participate					
in a local tour on Sunday?	? There is no charge but				
registration is required	Yes No				