



## WESTERN SILVICULTURAL CONTRACTORS' ASSOCIATION

### ANNUAL CONFERENCE, AGM AND TRADESHOW *Conference Program Overview*

February 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013  
Inn at Laurel Point – Victoria, BC



**Platinum Conference Sponsor:**  
**BC FOREST SAFETY COUNCIL**

#### Thursday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013

##### **Morning Plenary Session**

##### **Forestry After the Mountain Pine Beetle – Silviculture and Restoring Forest Ecosystems**

- 7:30 am – 8:30 am Registration and Tradeshow – **Sponsored by Fountain Tire, Mardon Insurance**
- 8:30 am – 10:30 am **Presentations: Defining Forest Restoration**, presenters include:  
- Hon. Pat Bell, Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training  
- Corky Evans  
- Doug Konkin, Deputy Minister MFLNRO  
- MLA Norm Macdonald, NDP Forest Critic  
- MLA Bob Simpson, Cariboo North
- 10:30 am – 11:15 am Coffee Break and Tradeshow - **Sponsored by IRL Supplies**
- 11:15 am – 12:00 noon **Panel: Forestry After the Mountain Pine Beetle:** How to Restore BC's Forests. Panelists include morning presenters with audience participation. Moderator John Betts
- 12:00 noon – 1:30 pm Buffet Lunch and Tradeshow – **Sponsored by Hawkeye Holdings Ltd, Summit Trucks**

##### **Afternoon Plenary Sessions**

##### **Human Resources and Safety in the BC Silviculture Sector**

- 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm **BC Silviculture Workforce Initiative Interim Report** on Labour Supply and Demand for BC Silviculture Sector: Presenter Suzanne Christensen, Chair of the BC Silviculture Workforce Initiative Committee
- 2:30 pm – 3:00 pm Coffee Break and Tradeshow – **Sponsored by, Yellowhead Helicopters, PRT Growing Services**
- 3:00 pm – 4:00 pm **Reducing MSI Injuries in the Silviculture Sector:** Introduction to the Participatory Action Research Strategy. Presenter Tom Bigda-Peyton, Second Curve Systems

##### **Afternoon Workshops**

- 4:00 pm – 5:00 pm **Simultaneous Workshops**  
- Presenting the Silviculture App: Doug Folkins, JRP Solutions  
- Remote Emergency Response: Lisa Houle, Jordan Tesluk
- 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm Hospitality Suite – **Hosted by Tufport**
- 7:00 pm – 8:30 pm **Banquet and Keynote Address – Sponsored by Jiffy Products of America**  
**Guest Speaker: Vaughn Palmer**, Vancouver Sun Columnist  
*BC Politics in the 2013 Election Year*

#### Friday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013

##### **Morning Plenary Session**

- 8:30 am – 10:00 am **Strategic Session:** Influencing Forest Policy & Public Opinion in the 2013 Election. Moderator John Betts
- 10:00 am – 10:30 am Coffee Break – **Sponsored by Calmont Group, Porter & McMillan Insurance**
- 10:30 am – 11:30 am Western Silvicultural Contractors' Association: AGM and Elections
- 11:30 am Conference Adjourns