

# WESTERN SILVICULTURAL CONTRACTORS' ASSOCIATION

## *2012 Annual Conference, AGM and Tradeshow*

*Program Speakers, Panelist and Workshops*

**February 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012**

The Coast Kamloops Hotel and Convention Centre

Kamloops, BC

*Special Thanks To Our Platinum Conference Sponsor:*

***BC FOREST SAFETY COUNCIL***

**Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012**

### **Focus on Silviculture Sector Human Resources and Safety Strategy**

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| <b>8:00 am to 8:30 am</b>  | <b><i>Registration – Sponsored by Yellowhead Helicopters Ltd.</i></b>  |
| 8:30 am to 9:30 am         | <b><i>Professional Development Session: Facilitated Discussion Human Factors in Power Saw and Driver Training</i></b>  |
| <b>9:30 am to 10:00 am</b> | <b><i>Coffee Break – Sponsored by Porter &amp; McMillan Insurance</i></b>  |
| 10:00 am to 10:45 am       | <b>Facilitated Discussion: Silviculture Power Saw Work and Falling Certification</b>   |
| 10:45 am to 11:30 am       | <b>Maintaining a “Performance State” at Work</b><br>Presenter: Alan Sidorov, Sidorov Advanced Driver Training  |
| 11:30am to 12:00 pm        | <b>Silviculture Sector Human Factors Research Proposal</b><br>Presenter: Jenny Coleman, Human Factors Specialist, WorkSafeBC   |
| <b>12:00 pm to 1:30 pm</b> | <b><i>Lunch Break (on your own)</i></b>  |
| 1:30 pm to 2:00 pm         | <b>Employment Standards ‘Zero Tolerance’ Policy in Practice</b><br>Presenter: Jennifer Hagen, Program Advisor, Employment Standards Branch   |
| 2:00 pm to 2:30 pm         | <b>Silviculture Sector Human Resource Strategy Proposal</b><br>Presenter: John Betts, Executive Director, WSCA   |
| 2:30 pm to 3:00 pm         | <b>BC SAFE Silviculture Program Contract Extension</b><br>Presenter: Chris Akehurst, Chair, BCSSP Strategic Advisory Committee   |
| <b>3:00 pm to 3:15 pm</b>  | <b><i>Coffee Break – Sponsored by PRT Growing Services Ltd. &amp; IRL Supplies (2011) Ltd.</i></b>   |
| 3:15 pm to 5:00 pm         | <b>Silviculture Sector Worker Panel Facilitated Discussion: How to Recruit and Retain the Silviculture Workforce</b><br>Facilitator: John Betts, Executive Director, WSCA<br>Panelists: Jonathan “Scooter” Clark, Natalia Leigh, Sara Lococo, Michael Mloszewski, Mike Renaud, Jordan Tesluk, and Ryan Zapisocki |
| <b>5:00 pm to 7:00 pm</b>  | <b><i>Hospitality Suite – Hosted by Tufport</i></b>  |

## Thursday, February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2012

### **Focus on Forest Policy and the BC Silviculture Sector**

**7:30 am to 8:30 am**

**Registration and Tradeshow – Sponsored by Fountain Tire**

8:30 am to 9:00 am

**State of BC's Forests**

Presenter: Jim Snetsinger, Chief Forester, Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations

9:00 am to 9:30 am

**The Bio-Economy Opportunity - A Forest Industry Perspective**

Presenter: Ric Slaco, VP, International Forest Products Limited

9:30 am to 10:00 am

**21<sup>st</sup> Century Value-Added**

Presenter: Bob Simpson, Independent MLA Cariboo North

10:00 am to 10:30 am

**In encouraging a Bio-Energy Sector, BC could realize Healthier Ecosystems and Communities**

Presenter: Bob Gray, Fire Ecologist, R.W. Gray Consulting

**10:30 am to 11:15 am**

**Coffee Break and Tradeshow – Sponsored by Hawkeye Holdings Ltd.**

11:15 am to 12:00 pm

**Panel on the BC Bio-Economy**

Panelists: Jim Snetsinger, Ric Slaco, Bob Simpson and Bob Gray

**12:00 pm to 1:30 pm**

**Lunch and Tradeshow – Sponsored by High Country Cold Storage & Edson Honda**

1:30 pm to 2:30 pm

**BC Jobs Strategy and the Forestry Sector**

Presenter: The Honorable Pat Bell, Minister of Jobs, Tourism and Innovation

2:30 pm to 3:00 pm

**China and the BC Forest Industry**

Presenter: Rick Jeffrey, President and CEO, Coast Forest Products Association

**3:00 pm to 3:30 pm**

**Coffee Break and Tradeshow – Sponsored by Summit Truck Rentals & Leasing**

3:30 pm to 4:00 pm

**The NSR Debate: A Case Study in Proofiness**

Presenter: Marvin Eng, BC Forest Practices Board

4:00 pm to 5:00 pm

**Workshops:**

- **Land Based Investment Program:** Kelly Osbourne, Resource Practices Branch
- **How WorkSafeBC Sets Assessment Rates:** Gerry Paquette, Manager Certification and Rate Modification Dept. WorkSafeBC

**5:00 pm to 7:00 pm**

**Hospitality Suite – Hosted by Visa Rentals and Leasing**

**7:00 pm**

**Banquet and Keynote Address:**

*Guest Speaker: Adrian Dix Leader of the Loyal Opposition*

## Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012

**8:15 am to 8:30 am**

**Registration – Sponsored by WorkSafeBC**

8:30 am to 9:00am

**Recent Developments Natural Resource Road Act**

Presenter: MaryAnne Arcand, Executive Director, Central Interior Logging Association

9:00 am to 9:30 am

**FS 704 Rewrite**

Presenter: Alan Powelson, Resource Practices Branch

9:30 am to 10:00 am

**Benchmarking Rates and Costs for the Silviculture Sector**

Presenter: MaryAnne Arcand, Central Interior Logging Association

**10:00 am to 10:15 am**

**Coffee Break – Sponsored by Mardon Insurance**

10:15 am to 10:45 am

**Khaira Report: Setting Up a Registered Silviculture Contractor Program**

Presenter: John Betts, Executive Director, WSCA

10:45 am to 11:00 am

**Proposal to reprise WSCA Wild Fire Conference in 2013**

Presenter: Bruce Blackwell, BA Blackwell & Associates

11:00 am to 12:30 pm

**Annual General Meeting**

12:30 pm

**Conclusion**