



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



There's a lot of discussion in BC about paradigm shifts, and I think in BC there's actually two different paradigm shifts for forestry under way at the same time. The first is to better address Indigenous interests and

rights and move towards reconciliation. The second paradigm shift is about how we actually manage our forests to better reflect ecosystems, ecosystem health, and the services that they provide.

Here at the Board, our work also reflects these shifts that are underway. With respect to reconciliation, the Board has changed how we approach Indigenous Peoples' to basically involve them much earlier in any processes that we undertake.

With respect to the changes on how we manage our resources and our land, the Board issued a report last year on opportunities to improve forest practices for water.

Another highlight for the past year was the introduction of changes to the *Forest and Range Practices Act*. A number of these changes

reflect recommendations the Board has made in the past.

For details on the Board's accomplishments and reports published in 2021-22, see the full annual report at <https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/8f1347885d3b431f8e2af500e63075f8>.

This will be my last annual report as chair of the Forest Practices Board. It's been an honor to serve for the past four years. I want to recognize the amazing staff and appointed Board members who make all of our work successful. I also want to thank members of the public, licensees and government who provide us your advice, your thoughts, and your views on what we should do and how we should do it.

Your advice and interests make all of our work better. Improving forest practices is a team effort, and we couldn't do it without your support. Thank you.

Kevin Kriese
Chair, Forest Practices Board

FINANCIAL REPORT

	TOTAL
Salaries and Benefits	2,440,200
Other Operating Costs	1,415,761
Total Expenditures	3,855,961

TERRITORIAL ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Forest Practices Board acknowledges and respects Indigenous Peoples' connection with the land and the knowledge and information they hold about the land. We recognize the many First Nations' territories we work within and we

wish to expand our knowledge and learn from Indigenous Peoples. We are also taking steps to engage with Indigenous communities and develop new relationships.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Audits

This year, we completed and published **1** audit that started in 2020. **8** new audits were conducted in 2021 with **2** published this year.



Harvesting

	Sampled
Harvesting Activities (# of cut blocks)	134



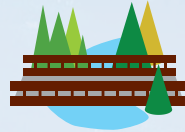
Roads (KM)

	Sampled
Construction	184.4
Deactivation	37.6
Maintenance	4188



Silviculture

	Sampled
Silviculture Activities (# of cut blocks)	438



Major Structures

	Sampled
Construction	22
Maintenance	312



Fire Protection

	Sampled
Fire Protection (# of cut blocks)	48

Complaints

The Board completed and published **7** complaint investigations and received **6** new complaints. Staff responded to a total of **80** public concerns. **10** complaints and **8** concerns from 2020-21 were carried over into 2021-22. As of March 31, 2022, **7** complaints and **2** concerns are ongoing.

Special Projects

- **2** special reports were published this year
 - **Forest Practices & Water: Opportunities for Action**
 - **Management of Forest Recreation in BC**
- **2** new projects were started and **2** ongoing projects are nearing completion

Recommendations

A total of **7** new recommendations were made in **2** published reports. The Board received responses to **9** recommendations during the year, of which **7** were accepted and/or implemented.

Appeals

The Board reviewed **34** *Forest and Range Practices Act* and *Wildfire Act* determinations. We initiated **1** appeal to the Forest Appeals Commission and joined **2** others. This year, we also requested **1** ministry review of a determination.

Communications

This year we published **12** reports. People downloaded **4,160** reports from our website.



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SPEAKING
ENGAGEMENTS



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MEDIA
STORIES



39,019

WEBSITE VISITS



4
WEBINARS



20
EVENTS
ATTENDED

NEW USERS
+173%

↑ VISIT INCREASE
+138%