

FORREX staff member part of SFU institute focussed on resource management

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Socio-economics Extension Specialist with FORREX, has been appointed as a member of the SFU Cooperative Natural Resource Management Institute. The CRMI helps to develop solutions to difficult multidisciplinary problems in resource management by providing an environment where personnel from different agencies, such as those responsible for forestry, fisheries, water, and wildlife management, can collaborate with SFU faculty, graduate students, post-doctoral fellows, and research associates. The CRMI houses personnel from selected resource management agencies, co-ordinates joint research projects, and offers occasional professional development courses to upgrade skills of agency staff. For more information, please visit <http://www.rem.sfu.ca/crmi>

Private Woodland Planner updated

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The Private Woodland Planner (PWP) is "new and improved." Originally developed in 2000, the PWP is a computer-based program that helps small landowners analyse timber and non-timber forest products (NTFPs) on their property. PWP now includes costs, values, and some additional functionality. Using the planner, landowners can estimate:


- current and future timber growth and yield,
- costs and returns for harvesting timber,
- costs and returns for harvesting NTFPs, and
- expected returns from alternate silviculture investments.

Users of the PWP should have some familiarity with forestry terms and information about the major tree species and important non-timber forest products on their land. Designed to be user-friendly, the PWP provides default values to fill any information gaps; however, users are encouraged to contact foresters if they have any questions.

Developed by Enfor Consultants, the original PWP was sponsored by the Small Woodlands Program with Forest Renewal BC funding. FORREX sponsored the 2007 update with financial support provided by the BC Ministry of Forests and Range through the Forest Investment Account–Forest Science Program. The PWP and a user guide can be downloaded from the following sites:

FORREX: http://www.forrex.org/program/web_links.asp?AreaPkey=6#228

BC Small Woodland Partnership Outreach:
http://www.woodlot.bc.ca/swp/Downloads/Downloads/PWP_software.html

Enfor Consultants Ltd.: <http://www.enfor.com/software/pwp> 

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Private Woodland Planner User Guide

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