#### **2019 Forest Industry Economic Impact Study**

What We Found

# \$14 billion

invested in B.C. operations over 10 years



## \$13 billion to B.C.'s GDP

100,000







good jobs for British Columbians



#### \$8 billion

in wages, salaries & benefits

### \$4 billion





in government revenue to support health, education and more

#### **B.C. Forest Products Industry Represents**

1 in 25 of all B.C. jobs

- 14% of jobs in the Cariboo
- 7% of jobs in the Northeast
- 7% of jobs in the Kootenays
- nearly half of forestry jobs are in the Lower Mainland/Southwest

## 1 in 5 manufacturing jobs



More than **5,300 Indigenous people**directly employed

### 10 Steps to Help Create a Better B.C.



Each year, forest product companies spend lots of money on their operations, keeping them in tip top shape and adopting the newest high-tech tools.

They also spend a significant amount to keep forests healthy, plant tons of trees and keep our air clean.

> Over 300 million trees planted in 2020.



40% Percentage of emissions reduced by industry between 2007 - 2017.





A lot of those workers are Indigenous, and many more Indigenous people are owners and important partners in the forest sector.



Forest product companies use that money to hire people in all kinds of jobs from foresters, to millworkers to data analysts.









Those investments create new benefits for all British Columbians.



As customers continue to look for sustainably produced, low-carbon forest products, companies look for new ways to invest in B.C.



Governments use this money to pay for schools, hospitals, and helping people who need it the most.



A lot of the money generated because of the forest sector is used to pay taxes and fees to all levels of government.

Over **\$4** billion in taxes and fees paid to all levels of government







They also buy things, like equipment, from thousands of local companies and hire people to do repairs, move products and plant seedlings.





