



Our province is home to beautiful parks, expansive protected areas, old-growth forests and a vibrant forest industry that supports communities throughout the province. About 95% of BC's forests are publicly owned, with more than 50 million hectares certificated to international standards — more than any other jurisdiction.

FORESTS FOREVER

BC's landscape remains largely untouched. Only 3% of the province's land base has been permanently converted to other uses, such as farming, ranching or urban development. And BC's forest cover has remained stable over the past few decades at around 55 million hectares.



200 MILLION SEEDLINGS PLANTED EVERY YEAR



3 TREES
PLANTED FOR
EVERY TREE
HARVESTED



50 MILLION
HECTARES OF
CERTIFIED FOREST



LESS THAN 1%
OF BC FORESTS WHERE
LOGGING IS ALLOWED IS
HARVESTED ANNUALLY

A FRACTION OF 1%

The provincial government sets the amount that can be harvested annually within each region of the province.

The Chief Forester, an independent officer of the Legislature, consults with British Columbians and ensures that our forests are managed for multiple environmental, social and economic values. Each year, we harvest less than 1% of the working forest land base which represents only 0.2% of all of BC's forests. All harvested areas are replanted to ensure forest regeneration.

RIGOROUS LEGAL FRAMEWORK

BC has numerous laws and regulations establishing one of the most rigorous frameworks for forest management in the world. These regulations, along with industry's strong commitment to sustainability — mean that BC foresters work hard to protect water, wildlife, ecosystems, biodiversity and cultural uses of our forests.

