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# Why Choose a Career in Forestry?

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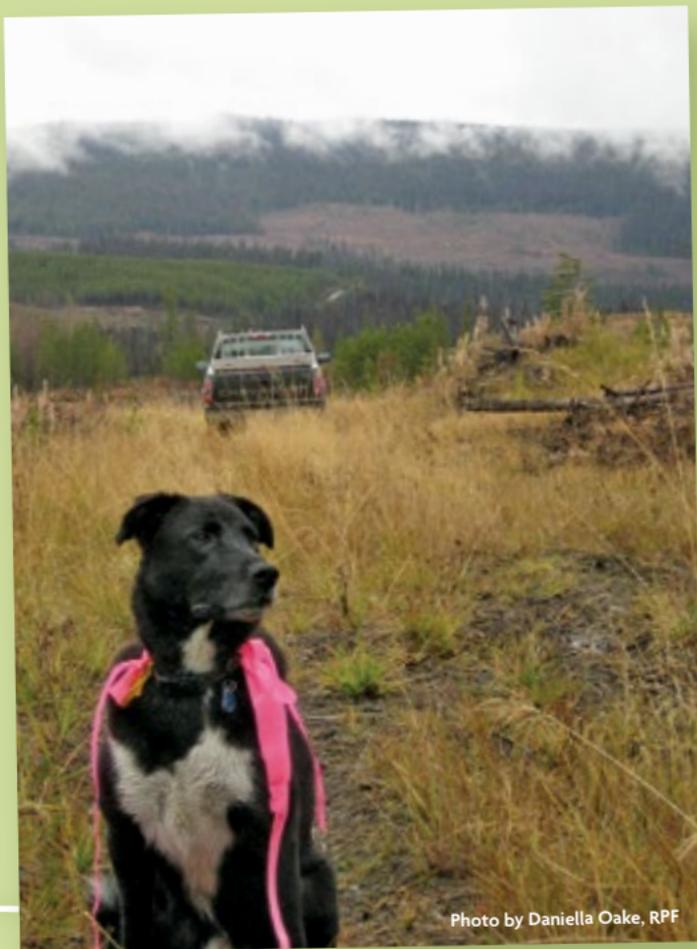
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# Meet my office assistant.

Working in forestry means that you get to work with a whole team of people – and sometimes your dog can come along for the day too! The forestry team includes Registered Forest Professionals, Registered Forest Technologists, Natural Resource Professionals and more. Everyone keeps one goal in mind – to sustainably manage the forests to ensure they are around for future generations.



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# I have the best commute in the world.

Taking a helicopter, ATV, snowmobile or simply hiking to the worksite is a normal part of the day for many forest professionals. Forestry isn't a typical 9 am to 5 pm office job. Everyday can be a new adventure.



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# My office? Third tree on the left.

Choosing a career in forestry means you have the opportunity to spend your days both outside in the forest and inside at a desk. Use your science, computer and math skills to collect data; take measurements; and study trees, plants, soils, animals and rocks on your outside days while you analyze the results and plan for future activity on your inside days.



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# I love making a positive difference in BC's forests.

Ninety-five percent of BC's forested land is publicly owned and only forest professionals can practise professional forestry in BC. In the next few years we will have more people retiring than entering the profession so there is a big need for people who care about the environment to step into these roles and help take care of BC's forests.



## How do I become a forest professional?

- Take science, math and forestry classes if your school offers them.
- Plan on attending an accredited post-secondary forestry program.
- Join the ABCFP's START program right now! It's free!  
See [www.abcfp.ca/students](http://www.abcfp.ca/students) for more details.

To learn more about careers in forestry, visit the Association of BC Forest Professionals' website at: [www.abcfp.ca/students](http://www.abcfp.ca/students).

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