

# NEWS RELEASE



330-321 Water Street  
Vancouver, BC V6B 1B8  
Tel: 604.687.8027 Fax: 604.687.3264  
E-mail: [info@abcfp.ca](mailto:info@abcfp.ca)  
Website: [www.abcfp.ca](http://www.abcfp.ca)

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
February 23, 2011

## Forest Professionals Work Together on Stanley Park Restoration

VANCOUVER – Forest professionals from across the province reviewed progress today on the \$10 million urban forest restoration for Stanley Park following the effects of the devastating windstorm that struck in December 2006, levelling 41 hectares of forest.

As part of a forestry tour in support of the Association of BC Forest Professionals' annual conference, professionals had the opportunity to view first hand the effects of the windstorm and how professionals worked together and were involved in developing plans and prescriptions to rehabilitate the park.

Forest professionals led by ABCFP members Bruce Blackwell, RPF; Jeff McWilliams, RPF; and Jonathan Lok, RFT, had a close up view of the success of the treatments and the tree growth in response to reforestation strategies. They also heard more about wildfire protection, wind firming and danger tree removal, debris removal, species at risk, and reforestation.

- 30 -

*The **Association of BC Forest Professionals'** forestry conference and AGM are held in different locations around BC each year. Attending are Registered Professional Foresters and Registered Forest Technologists who come to learn from the best, share ideas and best practices and network with colleagues. This year's conference theme Wood Is Good will highlight the link (or non link) between what forest professionals grow and what the market demands and explore what needs to change to do better in the future. Established in 1947, the ABCFP is the largest professional forestry association in Canada with over 5,500 members. The association registers and regulates professional foresters and forest technologists under authority of the provincial Foresters Act.*

Contact:

Brenda Jones, Manager of Communications  
Association of BC Forest Professionals  
Direct: 604.331.2321 | Mobile: 778.233.1169