



# Forest Hydrology

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**BRITISH COLUMBIA IS A PROVINCE RICH IN BOTH WATER AND FOREST RESOURCES. UNDER THE** umbrella of forest hydrology, these two resources meet. Forest hydrology isn't as talked about as other aspects of forestry, but, as we will see in this issue, it is a key part forest management.

We address a variety of forest hydrology topics in this issue. Rita Winkler, PhD, RPF, starts us off by explaining the importance of data and long-term hydrometric monitoring. Then Bill Floyd, RPF, MSc, discusses the sensitivity of coastal watersheds to climate change due to their rain-snow interface. The final article in our Viewpoint section, Derek Bonin, RPF, talks about the watershed practices in the Greater Vancouver watersheds.

The other two articles in the section address slightly different aspects of forest hydrology. Dave Wilford, PhD, RPF, PGeo, addresses the importance of having a forestry background when practicing in the field of forest hydrology. Rob Wood, RPF, and Steve Baumber, RPF, MSc, talk about water protection and the language forest professionals need to be familiar with.

As I write this, Wood is Good 2011, the ABCFP's annual conference and AGM, is taking place. In our next issue, we will have a Wood is Good special feature so we can share the highlights of the event with all our members. 🐾