

## *East Kootenay Montane Forests Research and Operational Trials*

PLEASE NOTE GOLDEN IS ON MOUNTAIN TIME  
(one hour later than West Kootenay time)

### REGISTRATION AFTERNOON AND EVENING

Monday September 25

#### Chatter Creek Lodge Option

3:00 pm Rendezvous @ Chatter Creek Vehicle Compound on Bush Forest Service Road in Donald (28kms North of Golden on Trans Canada Highway1).

Participants leave vehicles in the SE corner of the compound overnight and take the bus up to Chatter Creek Lodge. Participants wear their bush clothes for next day's field day and bring just a small over-night bag for one night stay at the Lodge (a travel bag that you are comfortable carrying on the bus up to Chatter Lodge).

3:15 pm Bus Departs for Chatter Creek Lodge

5:00 pm Bus Arrives at Chatter Creek Lodge

Social Time, No-Host Bar

6:30 pm Dinner

7:30 pm After Dinner Talk

Using LiDAR for Old Growth Management Project

Kari Stuart Smith, Manager, Biodiversity & Wildlife, Canadian Forest Products

#### Golden Hotel Option

Participants check in to the hotel of their choice in Golden. We have secured rooms at the Best Western Hotel for our participants and this is the marshalling point for you the next morning (Tuesday) and for everyone on Wednesday morning.

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Best Western Hotel Lobby

Registration Check-In

# 2023 SISCO FALL FIELD TOUR

## DAY ONE

*Bush Forest Service Road, Kinbasket Lake*

Tuesday September 26

### Chatter Creek Lodge Registrants

- 8:30 Participants take their over-night belongings and board the bus (you will not be returning to Chatter)
- 8:45 Bus Departs for STOP 1
- 9:45 Bus Arrives at STOP 1: Bush Forest Service Road @ km91

### Golden Hotel Registrants

- 7:15 Participants meet Pilot Truck in the parking lot of the Best Western Hotel and travel in their own trucks
- 7:30 Trucks Depart for STOP 1
- 8:30 **FIVE MINUTE** Bathroom Break at the Harbour @ km43 on Bush Forest Service Road
- 9:45 All Arrive at STOP 1: Bush Forest Service Road @ km91

### REFRESHMENT BREAK

Participants divide into 2 groups and circulate through 2 stations; 10 mins *walking* time between stations; 40 mins *presentation* time per station. **Speakers do presentation twice.**

### *STOP 1: Golden Assisted Migration Adaptation Trial*

10:15 to 11:55 (**Station Change Times: 10:55, 11:45 - return to bus**)

#### *Sta 1: Seed Transfer 2.0: Seed Source Selection In A Changing Climate*

**Spkr:** Greg O'Neill, Research Scientist, Forest Genetics, Kalamalka Forestry Centre, BC Ministry of Forests

#### *Sta 2: Class A Seed: Field Results To Date*

**Spkr:** Scott King, Silviculture Forester, Pacific Wood Tech

- 11:55 Reconvene at bus and trucks
- 12:00 Depart for STOP 2
- 12:35 Arrive at STOP 2: The Harbour on Bush Forest Service Road @ km43

### LUNCH

Participants stay in 1 group and continue lunch during talk. **Speaker does presentation once.**

1:00 *STOP 2: Kinbasket Reservoir FESBC Utilization Pilot Project*

**Spkr:** Brian Watson, Operations Manager with Forest Enhancement Society of BC (FESBC)

- 1:30 Depart for STOP 3

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## DAY ONE continued

- 2:15 Arrive at STOP 3: @ km0 on Bush FSR, Reeves Road to km0.5 on, then South on Colepits Road to km4.2  
Students from Selkirk College and NVIT join the tour (35 participants)  
Participants divide into 2 groups and circulate through 2 stations; 5 mins *walking* time between stations;  
30 mins *presentation* time per station. **Speakers do presentations twice.**

### *STOP 3: Woody Debris Management in Clearcut Openings: Forest Restoration for Wildlife and Ecosystem Health*

- 2:20 to 4:15 (**Station Change Times: 2:50 – Refreshment Break, 3:00, 3:30- return to bus**)

#### *Sta 1: Woody Debris Structures on Large Openings: Oases for Small Mustelids, Prey Species, and Mammal Biodiversity ?*

Spkrs: Tom Sullivan, Director, Applied Mammal Research Institute  
Scott King, Silviculture Forester, Pacific Wood Tech

#### REFRESHMENT BREAK

Participants take their refreshments with them and proceed to their final Station

#### *Sta 2: Small Mammal Populations on Clearcuts: Voles and Tree Damage*

Spkrs: Dru Sullivan, Researcher, Applied Mammal Research Institute  
Hazel Sullivan, Researcher, Applied Mammal Research Institute

- 3:35 Reconvene at bus  
3:40 Chatter Bus: Depart for Chatter Creek Lodge Vehicle Compound  
Individual vehicles proceed directly to Golden  
Student Buses proceed directly to Golden  
3:45 Chatter Bus: Arrive at Chatter Creek Lodge Vehcile Compound  
Participants drive their own vehicles to Golden  
Bus proceeds empty to Best Western Hotel, Golden  
4:15 Arrive Golden – Best Western Hotel  
Participants check into the hotel of their choice  
5:50 Participants convene at Best Western Hotel Parking Lot for a ride to the Island Restaurant  
6:00 Bus Depart for Island Restaurant  
Social Time with Hosted Hors d'oeuvres and Non-Host Bar  
7:00 Dinner  
8:30 Bus Returns to Best Western Hotel

# 2023 SISCO FALL FIELD TOUR

## DAY TWO

*South of Golden: Mount Seven, Parson, Radium*

Wednesday September 27

- 7:15 Assemble Best Western Hotel Parking Lot  
7:30 All (Bus and Trucks) Depart for STOP 4  
8:00 Arrive at STOP 4: Bowles-Evans Road @ km3

Participants stay in 1 group and circulate through 4 stations; 5 mins *walking* time between stations; 20 mins *presentation* time per station. **Speakers do presentations once**

### *STOP 4: Long Term Silviculture Systems Partial Cutting Trials*

8:10 to 9:40 (Station Change Times: 8:30, 8:55, 9:20, 9:45 - return to bus)

#### *Sta 1: Clearcut*

Spkr: Deb MacKillop, Research Ecologist, Kootenay Boundary Region, BC Ministry of Forests  
Trevor Blenner-Hassett, Silviculture Systems Researcher, Kootenay Boundary Region, BCMOF

#### *Sta 1: High Retention*

Spkr: Deb MacKillop, Research Ecologist, Kootenay Boundary Region, BC Ministry of Forests  
Trevor Blenner-Hassett, Silviculture Systems Researcher, Kootenay Boundary Region, BCMOF

#### *Sta 1: Low Retention*

Spkr: Deb MacKillop, Research Ecologist, Kootenay Boundary Region, BC Ministry of Forests  
Trevor Blenner-Hassett, Silviculture Systems Researcher, Kootenay Boundary Region, BCMOF

#### *Sta 1: No Harvest*

Spkr: Deb MacKillop, Research Ecologist, Kootenay Boundary Region, BC Ministry of Forests  
Trevor Blenner-Hassett, Silviculture Systems Researcher, Kootenay Boundary Region, BCMOF

- 9:55 Reconvene at bus and trucks  
10:00 Depart for STOP 5  
10:05 Arrive at STOP 5: Bowles-Evans Road @ 5km

#### REFRESHMENT BREAK

Participants take their refreshments with them and stay in 1 group. **Speaker does presentation once**

10:15 *STOP 5: Tree Species Adaptation To Climate Change*

Spkr: Deb MacKillop, Research Ecologist, Kootenay Boundary Region, BC Ministry of Forests

- 10:50 Depart for STOP 6  
12:00 Arrive at STOP 6: Km 15 on the Carbonate Road @ km15

#### LUNCH

Participants stay in 1 group and circulate through 2 stations; 5 mins *walking* time between stations; 10 mins *presentation* time per station, **Speaker does presentation once**

12:30 *STOP 6: Towards Better Old Growth Management and Healthier Ecosystems: A New Old Growth Management Plan for Canfor's TFL 14*

Spkr: Kari Stuart-Smith, Manager, Biodiversity & Wildlife, Canadian Forest Products

Station 1: Boundary between Highest and High LiDAR-ranked recruitment old forest with view into both.  
Station 2: Moderate Ranked recruitment old forest - partial cut/huckleberry picking site.

- 1:00 Depart for STOP 7

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## DAY TWO continued

- 1:30 Arrive at STOP 7: The Old Parson Canadian Forest Products Office on Hwy 95  
Participants stay in 1 group. **Speakers do presentation once**
- STOP 7: A Strategic Forest Management Plan for the Joint Area of TFL14 & Columbia Wetlands WMA for Forest Health and Resiliency*
- Spkrs: Kari Stuart Smith, Manager, Biodiversity & Wildlife, Canadian Forest Products  
Marnie Duthie-Holt, Kootenay Boundary Forest Entomologist, BC Ministry of Forests
- 1:50 Depart for STOP 8
- 2:35 Arrive at STOP 8: Redstreak Road @1.3km (pullout on left immediately before the Redstreak Park gates)  
REFRESHMENTS available on the tailgate but no scheduled break  
Participants stay in 1 group. **Speaker does presentation once**
- STOP 8: Woodborers Creating Naked Trees: Canary in the Coal Mine*
- Spkr: Marnie Duthie-Holt, Kootenay Boundary Forest Entomologist, BC Ministry of Forests
- 3:00 Depart for Golden
- 4:00 Arrive Golden – Best Western Hotel