



Monashee Community Forest LLP

VISION

The Monashee Community Forest envisions a professional and profitable business within a framework of sound environmental stewardship, protection of cultural values, and exchange of information and ideas between the people of Lumby and Splatsin.

MISSION STATEMENT

The Monashee Community Forest will strive to fulfill its environmental, economic and social objectives. The community forest will be managed under the principles of ecological sustainability, economic viability, local employment, localized value-added or manufacturing opportunities, forestry education and training, identification and recognition of culturally significant areas, and outdoor recreation opportunities and values.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

1. Safety is a key guiding principle to administration, planning, and operations.
2. Ecologically sound forest practices are vital to ensuring the health of land, water, and fauna. The best available information and professional recommendations will be sought in planning and decision making processes.
3. Community forest development will remain vigilant in the monitoring of water values and visual quality within the CFA and from adjacent viewpoints.
4. The administration and management of the business will be conducted in a professional manner that strives for economic efficiency, while promoting environmental and social values and pursuing opportunities to realize the best return on timber and non-timber products.
5. On a competitive basis, local employment and suppliers, will be considered first in order to promote the growth of local business and community capacity.
6. Stakeholder participation will be endorsed through an array of methods such as field tours, educational opportunities, community events, local advertisement and partnership opportunities.
7. The Management Committee will remain accountable to both communities. Community consultation will be facilitated through the Management Committee and public transparency. Appropriate conflict resolution measures will be followed in the event that disagreements arise.
8. Partnering with educational institutions will occur where feasible to explore research prospects and facilitate educational and training opportunities.
9. Forest management planning and operations will respect known recreational areas and culturally significant areas, by minimizing interference to these areas, and when feasible identifying additional opportunities for recreation and cultural development.
10. Existing and emerging policy directives and higher level plans that conflict with Monashee Community Forest environmental, economic or social objectives will be incorporated into this Management Plan.