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New members for Future of Forestry Task Force

At its May 3 meeting, City Council passed a resolution to make the new appointments to the Future of Forestry Task Force.

“Three people have stepped down from the task force since the group was formed in 2009, and we thank D’Arcy de Hart, Ron Todd and Rod Visser for their generous commitment of time and expertise to the group and to Campbell River,” says Mayor Charlie Cornfield.

The new members of the task force will be *Bryan Mills, Norm Facey and Rick Anglin.*

“These gentlemen come from varied forest industry backgrounds, and they will all add valuable perspectives to complement the views of the other task force members,” says Councillor Ziggy Stewart, Council liaison to the task force. *“Bryan Mills is a successful forest industry entrepreneur with a strong background in log trading. Norm Facey is a manager with Western Forest Products, one of the largest, if not largest, forest company on the coast. Rick Anglin has worked for Catalyst Paper for a number of decades and will provide a strong link between the task force and Catalyst.”*

“Campbell River continues to be the centre for the coastal forest industry in BC, as the central access point for experienced labour, forest industry contractors and expertise including business service and support for the coastal forest industry,” the Mayor adds. *“The development of a visionary forestry strategy for our community is key to Campbell River’s resilience.”*

The following people are also members of the Future of Forestry Task Force:

Bruce McKerricher
Marcel Rivard
Justin Rigsby
Nigel Ross
George Stuart
George Lambert
Colleen Evans

“All members of this group are dedicated to realizing the Future of Forestry in Campbell River, and I look forward to continuing our work with them,” Councillor Stewart concludes.

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Backgrounder Future of Forestry Task Force

The Future of Forestry Task Force has developed the following vision, mission and goal statements as the foundation for moving forward:

Our Vision

To have a vibrant forest industry built on community support, knowledge, innovation and sustainability.

Our Mission

Through leadership and education, Campbell River will be recognized internationally as the centre of excellence for British Columbia's coastal forest industry.

Our Goals

- Goal 1: To profile, promote, inform and educate on the value of the coastal forest industry in Campbell River
- Goal 2: To support a business enabling environment that will enhance and retain existing business and attract new forest industry capital to Campbell River.
- Goal 3: To support the establishment of a coastal forest industry Centre for Excellence facility in Campbell River.
- Goal 4: To provide advice and influence re: coastal forest industry policy
- Goal 5: To encourage and support facilitation of coast forest industry events and professional development initiatives to be held in Campbell River