

Board of Directors Opportunity



ABOUT US:

[Forests Canada](#) is a non-profit charity working to conserve, restore, and grow Canada's forests to sustain life and communities. With interactive education programs inspiring the next generation of environmental stewards, and high-quality forest recovery efforts supporting local jobs and economies, we have proudly built the infrastructure and network needed to help ensure the greatest possible outcomes for Canada's forests from coast to coast to coast.

As a registered national charity, Forests Canada is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors who represent a diversity of experiences, skills, geographic regions and perspectives. **We are actively seeking new board members that can bring new perspectives to the board and contribute to our mission.**

Our Board of Directors provides strategic leadership, vision, and maintains high ethical standards of governance. They engage in effective planning to respond to the needs of our communities and act as stewards of our resources.

Description

We are currently seeking qualified candidates to serve on our board. Forests Canada's current recruitment priorities include those individuals with experience in any of the following areas:

- Financial/Accounting/Audit - Certified Public Accountant, experience in corporate finance, audit and financial accounting and reporting standards.
- Legal - Experience gained as a practicing lawyer and/or in compliance requirements for non-profit and charitable organizations.
- Fundraising – Experience in generating funding opportunities and identifying strategic individual and corporate contributors to establish long-term fundraising relationships; experience in developing brands, building and implementing strategic marketing and fundraising plans.
- Professional working experience in the government sector (all levels of government).

Forests Canada welcomes all applicants. We believe that diversity and inclusion are key to innovation through the sharing of ideas, experiences, and abilities. All qualified applicants will receive consideration without regard to race, colour, religion, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, national origin, genetics, disability, age, or veteran status.

EXPECTED COMMITMENT FROM BOARD MEMBERS:

- Attend three to four Board meetings per year (One in-person (full-day), three virtual (180-minute meetings)).
- Participate in standing and ad hoc committees (Nominations, Governance, Human Resources (NGHR) Committee, Audit and Finance Committee).
- Attend Annual General Meeting and any special general meetings.
- Provide governance over the following key areas: Strategic plan, by-laws, board recruitment and development, selection and evaluation of CEO, financial management, fundraising strategy, and ensure that services and programs meet the needs of the people that are served by the organization.
- Advocate among colleagues and peers for our organization.

TERM:

Directors shall hold office for a term of three years and shall be eligible for re-election for two further three-year terms for a total of nine consecutive years. The candidate will be presented to the membership for election at the Annual General Meeting in February 2026, at which point they will join the board with the first board meeting taking place in April 2026. An honorarium may be available.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

Applicants should submit:

- A résumé / CV, and
- A letter of interest describing relevant skills, experience, and personal attributes.

Applications will be reviewed by Forests Canada's NGHR Committee. Selected candidates will be notified and interviewed. The application period will close October 15, 2025.

For more information and to submit your interest, please contact, Sylvia Nelson at snelson@ForestsCanada.ca. More about Forests Canada can be found at www.ForestsCanada.ca