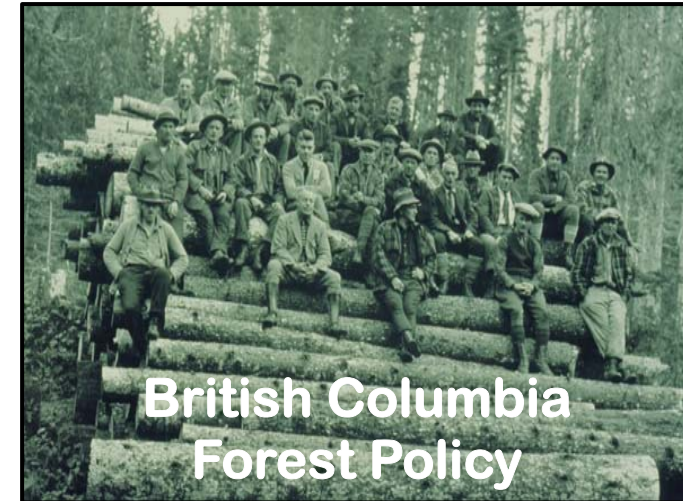


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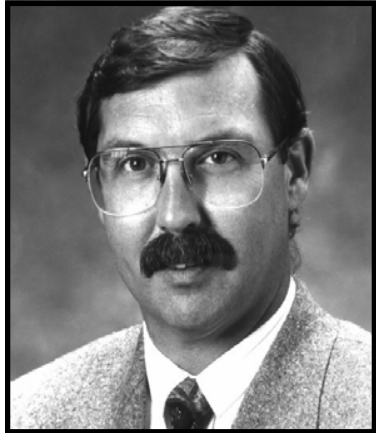
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# Biography of Lecturer



**Larry Pederson**  
**Chief Forester**  
**BC Minister of Forests**

Larry Pedersen was appointed Chief Forester in September 1994.

A graduate from the University of British Columbia with a Bachelor of Science in Forestry (B.Sc.F) in 1975, he became a registered Professional Forester in 1977.

During his career, he has advanced through a number of positions in the Forest Service and has also worked in the private sector.

As Chief Forester, Mr. Pedersen is responsible for developing plans and programs to manage provincial forest and range lands, determining timber harvest levels for each timber supply area and tree farm licence in the province, and overseeing the development and maintenance of the *Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act*. He also chairs or is a member of a number of provincial and national committees and sits as a director on the FERIC (Forest Engineering Research Institute of Canada) Board.

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## Abstract

Of course Bob Dylan was right when he sang his prophetic tune, "The Times They Are A Changin". But what he might not have realized in his poetically induced, melancholic state, was that he was forecasting the future of the forest industry in British Columbia. When it comes to our forests, ideologies have changed, values have changed, markets and products have changed and the state of knowledge about forests has changed. The entire span of my career from the time of Bob Dylan's early poetry through to today has been marked by one constant—change!

From the unique vantage point that the Chief Forester has, I have observed the politics and the practice of forestry wind around one another over the last decade. I have often said in recent years that the practice of forestry is often more fun than practicing the politics of forestry. There are strong forces at play that will continue to shape and dictate future outcomes for the forest sector in British Columbia.

In this address, I will speak to some of the key drivers that are shaping both the politics and the practice of forestry. I will outline where we have arrived at this point in the journey and will then stray into the danger zone of predicting where I see us going in the future.

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