

BC FOREST MUSEUM

Consolidated Constitution

Incorporating all revisions made up to and including the
Extraordinary General Meeting of October 24, 2006

1. The name of the Society is "British Columbia Forest Museum," **however the Society shall do business as the BC Forest Discovery Centre.**
Added to link the registered name under the Societies Act to the public name
2. The purposes of the Society shall be restricted to those which are charitable in nature and for the education, recreation and entertainment of the public.

Mission Statement: The BC Forest Discovery Centre will use its artifacts and innovative exhibitions and educational programming to inform, inspire and entertain the public about the role of forestry in the past, present and future in coastal British Columbia. It will do this with a commitment to reflecting in its programs and activities the ingenuity, creativity, generosity and self-reliance that characterized the generations of people who have worked and are still working in the forest sector.

The specific ~~objects~~ **purposes** of the **S**ociety shall be as follows:

- A. To preserve, conserve, maintain and operate in consultation with the Province of British Columbia and the community the collection of historical objects at its facility in the Cowichan Valley as a memorial to the pioneers of the forest sector and to develop a living museum for the purpose of illustrating the interrelationship of people and the forest environment.
- B. To stimulate interest in the history of the coastal BC forest industry by the preservation and enrichment of the museum and to inform the general public, particularly students and scholars, of the history, progress and significance of the forest industry.
- C. To promote an appreciation of the forest sector to the province of British Columbia, to encourage the study of forestry and related enterprises and to promote the advancement of knowledge of the forest sector.
- D. To exhibit to the general public the collection of historical artifacts and operate concessions, restaurants and any other form of endeavour that will enhance the operations of the museum.
- E. To acquire other related objects and articles for display and exhibition to the public.
- F. To acquire such sites, real property and chattels as are required for the purposes of the Society.

3. In the event of dissolution or winding-up of the Society, all its remaining assets, after repayment of all outstanding monies owed by the Society and other liabilities, shall be distributed to one or more charitable organizations in Canada, registered under the provisions of the Income Tax Act (Canada), shall be designated by the board of directors.
4. No part of the income of the Society shall be available for the personal benefit any member of the Society. This clause is unalterable.
5. Any remaining assets of the Society which had originally been received for specific purposes, shall, wherever possible, be distributed to a charitable organization, registered under the provisions of the Income Tax Act, carrying on work of a similar nature or other such specific purposes.
6. The Society shall be carried on without purpose of gain for its members and any profits or other accretions to the Society shall be used for promoting its purposes.
7. Clauses 3, 5, 6, and 7 of this constitution are unalterable.

The new Societies Act requires any wording not specifically describing the name and purpose of the Society to be moved to the bylaws. Clauses 3, 4, 5, and 6 are now clauses 3, 4, 5, and 6 in the consolidated bylaws. The wording in clause 7 has been attached to each of clause 3, 4, 5, and 6 thereby eliminating the need for clause 7.