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Managing BC's forest sector to mitigate climate change: future options for emissions reductions

New research indicates British Columbia's forestry sector can make a major long-term contribution to reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Media are invited to a presentation on Thursday, May 25 that provides an update on the latest findings from researchers at Natural Resources Canada and the University of British Columbia on how BC forest sector management can mitigate climate change both within forests and through harvested wood products.

These initial results come from a multi-year research collaboration—the Forest Carbon Management Project—created by Pacific Institute for Climate Solutions. The institute is hosted and led by the University of Victoria.

Key findings to be presented at this [free public event](#) include:

- Creating longer-lived wood products delays carbon release back into the atmosphere and further reduces emissions by substituting for emissions-intensive materials in the built environment.
- Climate-change impacts in British Columbia are already affecting forests both positively and negatively, with large differences across regions.
- New management approaches with BC's forests and forest sector can make a significant, long-term contribution to reducing emissions to the atmosphere.

What: The latest findings from the PICS Forest Carbon Management Project

When: Thursday May 25, 2017, 9:00am to noon,

Where: Room 2270, SFU Harbour Centre, 515 West Hastings Street Vancouver, V6B 5K3

Webcast: 9am-noon at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vPZkwwMpj8Y>

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