

## **JOBS WORTH FIGHTING FOR!**

CEP is working to support forest workers and their communities. The union is proactive in proposing efficiencies to employers. When a mill shuts down, we try to find a buyer who will modernize the mill or produce a new value-added product.

We are a powerful voice that pressures government to adopt policies that are beneficial to workers and communities.

## **FORESTRY SOLUTIONS NOW!**

Forestry is one of our most important industries, providing jobs, directly and indirectly for 900,00 workers. The sector is facing the worst crisis in its history, as we face unprecedented economic, trade-related and environmental challenges.

The federal government has an important role to play in revitalizing the forest sector. Yet, the Harper government is not living up to its responsibilities.

## **ITS TIME TO TAKE BACK OUR FORESTS!**

CEP has launched a new campaign aimed at putting pressure on federal and provincial governments across Canada to take action. Kicking off the campaign June 27<sup>th</sup> in Kamloops, B.C., CEP President Coles said, “we’re going to take back our resources – even if that means taking back the mills”.

The campaign will involve local unions and community groups across the country, working together to save Canada’s forest industry.

## **WOOD WASTE FIASCO EXPOSED!**

Tens of thousands of usable trees are being left on the ground to burn or rot in British Columbia as forest companies cash in on the pine beetle bonanza. It is estimated that 40 percent of existing pine trees in British Columbia have been wiped out by the beetle and it’s expected this loss will increase to 78 percent by 2015.

Meanwhile, the provincial government has given the okay for forest companies to clear-cut infested areas and cherry-pick the best trees, leaving behind wood that could be used for chips, fence posts or log home building. It is estimated that coastal B.C. could have created 5,700 jobs if the wasted wood and exported raw logs had been processed in the province.

CEP is calling on the B.C. government to immediately impose tough new utilization standards that require companies to bring all useable wood into communities for processing. We are also demanding that forest companies be required to make minimum levels of investment in new or existing milling facilities in exchange for continued access to public timber.



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Dave Coles talks about the forestry campaign



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Local 10b President Rene Pellerin talks about wood waste