

Benefits and values BC residents expect from forests

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Abstract

Residents of British Columbia receive significant goods and benefits from forests, including improved air quality, water purification, soil stabilization, carbon capture, renewable resources, large reservoirs of biodiversity's restorative capacity and jobs. These are critical to our well-being. Moreover, well-managed forests provide environmentally-friendly products on a sustained basis with great capacity to renew themselves when faced with changing conditions, such as climate. Forests charge us nothing for these gifts.