

## **Seed Use Efficiency Meeting**

Langley, BC July 30 & 31, 2008

**Emile Begin, RPF**

### **Natural Stand Seed Production, Wild Seed, Class B - Cone Collection**

---

#### **ABSTRACT**

The presentation reviews most aspects of Class “B” cone collection including; legislation, natural seed planning zones, Lodgepole pine biology, mountain pine beetle considerations and operational activities with costs leading to SPAR registration. The focus is on Lodgepole pine, collections within the Prince George Business Area including defining many challenges and solutions for consideration in preparing and undertaking a cone collection program. A draft process currently in use with BCTS Prince George is provided and can be used to develop a cone collection program from harvesting to collections. BCTS Prince George is currently collecting over 20 years of Lodgepole pine seed in each seed planning zone, including seed from other species supporting BC Timber Sales meeting legal reforestation obligations.