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To whom it may concern,

As a BC citizen who has worked in the forest industry for over a decade - as both a tree planter and forestry surveyor - I am deeply concerned about our forests and about how our forest industry currently operates. From my experience doing silviculture surveys, it became apparent to me that the forest industry is focused around the harvesting / logging of the forests, rather than focused on how we can conserve the remaining patches of old growth that still exist in our province.

I highly value the natural world, and now that I work as a teacher in public schools in the Kootenays, I deeply understand the value of the natural world to the physical, mental, and emotional health of both children and adults alike. Of course it also goes without saying that the existence of healthy forests in BC are also necessary for the continued existence of healthy populations of wild animals and plants.

I strongly believe that here in BC we need a complete overhaul of the forestry guidelines, practices, and regulations, so that our remaining old growth forests are kept intact through strict measures to conserve them. The BC Ministry of Forests needs to have the conservation of forests as its most important mandate, so we don't end up like most of Europe and have no actual real forests left, only replanted rows of trees.

I look forward to your response, and I look forward to seeing some major changes in the laws and regulations that govern our forests and forest industry, to reflect the 21st century. The way the forest industry currently operates is archaic and I strongly believe that it is in drastic need of major changes.

Thank you very much for reading this, and for taking my observations and thoughts into consideration.

Sincerely,  
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