

# FORESTRY IN TUMBLER RIDGE!

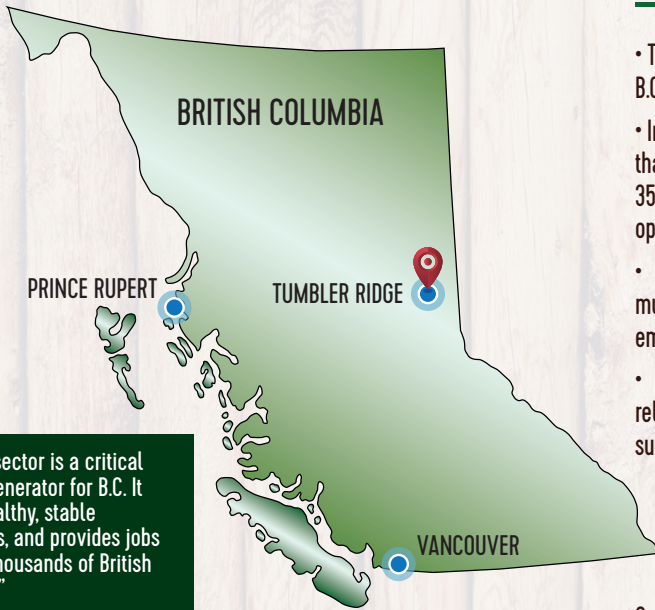
“Tumbler Ridge Community Forest has provided a new economic diversification opportunity for the community. With our increase in size, the Community Forest is sustainable economically and looking for opportunities to further enhance local employment and local investment opportunities.”

- Duncan McKellar, Tumbler Ridge Community Forest Corp.



## LOOK A LITTLE CLOSER, OPPORTUNITY AWAITS!

Tumbler Ridge is an innovative community that continues to redefine what opportunity and quality of life are in Northern BC. We are an active and exciting town of adventurers, entrepreneurs, tradespeople, clean energy and resource professionals. We have affordable housing and unlimited recreational opportunities in a community where work-life balance isn't just a saying but a reality.



“The forest sector is a critical economic generator for B.C. It supports healthy, stable communities, and provides jobs for tens of thousands of British Columbians.”  
(gov.bc.ca)

### SUPPORTING LOCAL FORESTRY PROJECTS

- The Province of BC is taking action to maintain the forest sector's position as a driving force in B.C.'s economy, especially in rural communities.
- In 2017, the Tumbler Ridge Community Forest (TRCF) was awarded a harvest volume expansion that nearly doubles the size of forest operations. The annual harvest with the expansion is 35,500 m<sup>3</sup> - this alone represents an annual gross revenue of approximately \$560,000 from TRCF operations and consequently significant annual inflow of revenue for future town investments.
- The forestry sector in Tumbler Ridge remains underrepresented with the potential for a multitude of sub-sector businesses and secondary manufacturing opportunities as well as employment possibilities in forest operations/management.
- Looking to start your own business? Opportunity awaits within the TRCF! Currently the TRCF relies on companies outside the community for their operations. This sector can offer long term, sustainable work with proper management and planning. The TRCF is ready to work with YOU!
- The TRCF allows for local decision making on how the fibre is used and as such could add new opportunities for value added initiatives. CF's also support opportunities in areas such as recreation, wildlife and watershed management and contribute to a more diversified forest economy. The TRCF board works to ensure that the benefits derived from the Community Forest provide the most economic impact possible to the local community.

FALLING - LOGGING - HAULING - WOOD PROCESSING - BIOFUEL FACILITY - WOOD PELLET PLANT - FURNITURE MANUFACTURING - CABINETRY - CUSTOM WOODWORK  
BUILDING MATERIALS - ARCHITECTURAL DESIGN - CREW & EQUIPMENT TRANSPORTATION - NURSERIES - REFORESTATION - FORESTRY & WOOD INNOVATIONS



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## LOCATION

- Northeastern British Columbia
- North Peace Region
- Serviced by Fort St. John, Dawson Creek and Grande Prairie Airports (1.5-hour flight from Calgary/Vancouver)

## POPULATION

- Tumbler Ridge: 2,500
- North Peace Region: 65,000
- Peace Region Trade Corridor: 170,000

## LABOUR FORCE

- Skilled trades, technicians and professionals
- Median age: 39
- Median family income: \$86,613
- Median housing: \$146,000

## KEY SECTORS

- Natural Resources
- Tourism
- Clean Energy
- Healthcare
- Virtual Workers
- Conferences

# TUMBLER RIDGE

## BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA

Tumbler Ridge offers an abundance of opportunity for entrepreneurs, skilled workers and families. With natural resources, the four seasons, and energetic people, our community is growing as a desirable location for new residents and businesses.

Tumbler Ridge is investing heavily in our future and garnering both Provincial and International recognition for this work. Incorporated in 1981, the town of Tumbler Ridge was carved out of the wilderness to accommodate metallurgical coal mining activity in the area. Though still a new community of just over 2,500 people, we buck every stereotype of what a coal mining town should look like and be. Designed as a safe, walkable and family-friendly community, Tumbler Ridge offers clean and diverse neighbourhoods with parks, playgrounds, sports fields, modern, well-planned infrastructure and social and cultural amenities one would expect to find only in larger and longer-established communities.

Our tax rates are among the lowest in Canada, combined with low-cost housing. As a well-managed community and one of the most financially stable in the country, Tumbler Ridge is well positioned for growth. With new investments in mining, wind energy, small businesses, and an increase in tourism due to the designation as North America's second UNESCO Global Geopark, Tumbler Ridge has never looked better.

Tumbler Ridge will work with you, whether you are relocating for work, starting your own business, or joining our community as a new resident. We will connect you to the right people and provide you with the resources or information you need – demographics, schools, labour force, transportation, housing, healthcare, available properties and more.

If you're looking for land or buildings, we will collect the data required for your project including building permits, infrastructure and development costs, and help you experience a smooth completion of your project.

Please contact us for a customized package or to discuss the opportunities Tumbler Ridge has to offer.

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SUSTAINING FORESTS | GENERATING VALUE | CREATING OPPORTUNITIES

## BC COMMODITY EXPORTS



## AT 18 STOREYS, BROCK COMMONS TALLWOOD HOUSE

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**\$859 MILLION**

PUBLIC REVENUE GENERATED THAT SUPPORTS HEALTH CARE, EDUCATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

FORESTRY SUPPORTS OVER **7,000** BUSINESSES ACROSS BC

## ANNUAL HARVEST



**259** MILLION SEEDLINGS PLANTED IN 2016

FOREST PRODUCTS REPRESENT **36%** OF BC'S TOTAL EXPORTS

BC SELLS OVER **90%** OF ITS FOREST PRODUCTS TO INTERNATIONAL MARKETS

[www.bcfii.ca](http://www.bcfii.ca)

**12,000** PEOPLE EMPLOYED IN THE VALUE-ADDED SECTOR

**50%** OF CANADA'S SOFTWOOD LUMBER PRODUCTION

**60,000** PEOPLE EMPLOYED IN FORESTRY

BC IS A LEADER IN BUILDING WITH WOOD

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MID-RISE PROJECTS PLANNED, UNDER CONSTRUCTION OR COMPLETED SINCE 2009

## FOREST CERTIFICATION



1 ↑ = 10 MILLION HECTARES CERTIFIED