

May 31, 2010 DRAFT

### Mills re-opening/shifts added/investments

B.C.'s forest sector is beginning to show signs of recovery. Since November 2009, 15 mills have announced that they are re-opening or adding shifts:

Company	Location	Jobs/Investment/Comments	Date	Source
Interfor	Adams lake	\$100 million investment – minister toured fall 2009 - 100 workers	Nov 2009	CKNW – Nov 14 2009
Silver Dew Hardwoods	Clearwater	15 workers recalled – Minister Bell attended grand opening Dec. 8, 2009	December 2009	
Conifex	Fort St. James	35 workers recalled with planer mill restart	Jan 2010	Caledonia Courier – Jan 6
Tolko	Kelowna	187 workers recalled	January 2010	Kelowna Daily Courier – Jan 8, 2010
Western	Somass (Port Alberni)	One shift of 43 workers recalled	Feb 2010	AV Times – Feb 16
Canfor	Mackenzie	Second shift added increasing workforce from 70 to 155	February 22, 2010	
Babine Forest Products (Hampton)	Houston	Running 80 hours/week	April 2010	Lakes District News – April 20
Decker Lake Forest Products (Hampton)	Burns Lake	55 to 65 workers recalled	April 2010	Lakes District News – April 20
Canfor	Chetwynd	70 (of 188) recalled as a result of union concessions & \$16 million in capital investment	Spring 2010	Canfor NR (Dec 2009)
Canfor	Polar-Bear Lake	Adding third shift to planer division	May 1, 2010	PG Citizen – Apr 27
Catalyst	Crofton	Restarting second line of pulp production – 127 workers recalled	May 2010	Catalyst NR - March
Springer Creek	Slocan	75 workers back to work	May/June 2010	CJAT Radio – May 7

Company	Location	Jobs/Investment/Comments	Date	Source
Canfor	Quesnel	155 people back to work. Mill to start cutting dimensions exclusively for China market. First time company has dedicated a mill to specific country	June 1, 2010	Canfor NR (May 2009)
Interfor	Castlegar	80 to 85 workers (mill has been closed since at least May 2008)	July 2010	Castlegar News – April 20
Sinar Mas	Mackenzie	\$20 million purchase from Worthington Pulp and an additional \$30 to \$40 million to be re-invested before restarting operations	Start-up in August	The Province – April 18
<b>OTHER TRANSACTIONS</b>				
Conifex	Mackenzie	Purchase of Mackenzie sawmill from Abitibi Bowater. Transaction expected to close in second quarter		PG Citizen – March 25
Savona Specialty Plywood	Lillooet	Aspen planers bought these two mills from Alnsworth in Dec. 2009		Dec. 2009
Savona Specialty Plywood	Savona	Currently not running		
Aspen Planers	Merritt	\$20 million in capital upgrades and new planer mill – Minister Bell attended grand opening	March 15, 2010	

UPDATE: May 4, 2011

### Mills re-opening/shifts added/investments

B.C.'s forest sector is starting to recover. Mills that have announced they are re-opening or adding shifts since November 2009:

	Company	Location	Jobs/Investment/Comments	Date	Source
1.	Interfor	Adams lake	\$100 million investment – minister toured fall 2009 - 100 workers	Nov 2009	CKNW – Nov 14 2009
2.	Silver Dew Hardwoods	Clearwater	15 workers recalled – Minister Bell attended grand opening Dec. 8, 2009	December 2009	company
3.	Conifex	Fort St. James	35 workers recalled with planer mill restart	Jan 2010	Caledonia Courier – Jan 6
4.	Tolko	Kelowna	187 workers recalled	January 2010	Kelowna Daily Courier – Jan 8, 2010
5.	Western	Somass (Port Alberni)	One shift of 43 workers recalled	Feb 2010	AV Times – Feb 16
6.	Canfor	Mackenzie	Second shift added increasing workforce from 70 to 155	February 22, 2010	Canfor NR
7.	Babine Forest Products (Hampton)	Burns Lake	Running 80 hours/week	April 2010	Lakes District News – April 20
8.	Decker Lake Forest Products (Hampton)	Burns Lake	55 to 65 workers recalled	April 2010	Lakes District News – April 20
9.	Canfor	Chetwynd	70 (of 188) recalled as a result of union concessions & \$16 million in capital investment	Spring 2010	Canfor NR (Dec 2009)
10.	Canfor	Polar-Bear Lake	Adding third shift to planer division	May 1, 2010	PG Citizen – Apr 27
11.	Canfor	Quesnel	Refitted Quesnel mill to direct all output to China – 155 workers recalled	June 2010	Canfor News Release

	Company	Location	Jobs/Investment/Comments	Date	Source
12.	Catalyst	Crofton	Restarting second line of pulp production – <b>127 workers recalled</b>	May 2010	Kamloops Daily News – June 19
13.	Springer Creek	Slocan	<b>75 workers back to work</b>	May/June 2010	Catalyst NR - March
14.	Galloway Lumber	Galloway	Planer mill re-started, in full operation as of Sept. 2010.	May 2010	CJAT Radio – May 7
15.	Interfor	Castlegar	<b>80 to 85 workers</b> (mill has been closed since at least May 2008)	July 2010	district
16.	Sinar Mas	Mackenzie	\$20 million purchase from Worthington Pulp and an additional \$30 to \$40 million to be re-invested before restarting operations. Mill resumed operation on Aug. 17, 2010, putting 220 workers back to work.	Start-up in August	Castlegar News – April 20
17.	Western	Ladysmith	Sawmill restarted after two year shutdown. <b>29 workers</b> re-hired – one-shift basis – to fill markets for China.	Sept. 14	The Province – April 18
18.	National Choice Specialty Wood saw mill	McBride	National Choice Bio Fuels Industries bought the mill assets from Dore River and have hired <b>10 workers</b> . The mill will produce between 25,000 – 35,000 board feet per day, and half of the rough cut metric dimension lumber is destined for China.	Oct. 18	
19.	Western	Nanaimo	Sawmill restarted after 20 month shutdown – <b>30 workers</b> re-hired.	Nov. 22	CFAX – July 27/ Western Sept 14
20.	Kyahwood Forest Products (Moricetown Indian Band)	Moricetown (between Hazelton & Smithers)	Sawmill restarted after two year shutdown. <b>35 workers</b> re-hired. \$1.8 million investment	Sept. 16	CBC – Sept. 16

	Company	Location	Jobs/Investment/Comments	Date	Source
21.	TRC Cedar Mill	McBride	TRC Cedar makes use of the lower-grade logs that are not sawlog quality. <b>Hired 30 people.</b>	Oct. 18	Minister attended opening
22.	Conifex	Mackenzie	Sawmill ( purchased from Abitibi in June) re-opened – <b>60 to 70 workers</b> (1 shift)	Nov 1, 2010	PG Citizen – Nov 5
23.	Aspen Planers	Savona Plywood	Plywood plant ( <b>80 workers</b> )	Jan 2011	company
24.	Aspen Planers	Lillooet	Veneer Plant	Jan 2011	company
25.	Canfor	Vavenby	\$24 million investment – <b>140 workers</b> to be recalled (announced Feb 2011)	Fall 2011	Canfor
26.	River West Forest Products	Hanceville (Williams Lake)	Mill purchased by 4 member bands of the TING: Tl'etinqox (Anaham), Tsi del del (Alexis Creek First Nation), Tl'esqox (Toosey) and Yunesit'in (Stone) – <b>30 workers</b> – 100% of production to China	Feb 18, 2011	Minister attended opening
27.	Pacific Bioenergy	Kitwanga	Kitwanga sawmill to re-open after being closed in 2008 (Pacific Bioenergy bought in Sept 2009) – <b>45 workers</b> – some demand from China	June 2011	Company – May 4
<b>OTHER TRANSACTIONS</b>					
	Aspen Planers	Merritt	\$20 million in capital upgrades and new planer mill – Minister Bell attended grand opening	March 15, 2010	Company
	Pinnacle Pellett	Burns Lake	\$30 million to build new pellet plant	Sept 17, 2010	Company
	Interfor	Grand Forks	\$100 million investment to build cogeneration plant - 15- to 20-megawatt power facility	Sept. 22, 2010	Grand Forks Gazette
	CORE Biofuel	Houston	Preliminary plans to build biofuel (wood to gasoline) plant - \$105 million investment – 39 jobs at the plant; 200 in harvesting, etc. Fibre supply agreement with Lakes Timber Health & Salvage Pending licence for Crown land and FN consultation	Sept. 22, 2010	Houston Today



	Company	Location	Jobs/Investment/Comments	Date	Source
	Harmac	Nanaimo	\$24 million in upgrades and repair. About \$12 million of the work is related to the Green Transformation Fund.	Oct. 2010	
	Neucel Specialty Cellulose	Port Alice	Fulida Group Holdings of China bought mill to supply rayon fibre. Price not disclosed	Feb. 2011	Feb 11 – Van Sun
	West Fraser	Terrace	ROC Holdings (China-based company) buying West Fraser's Skeena division (Terrace sawmill and associated forest licences) sale to be complete later this year. Mill is not operating.	April 2011	West Fraser – April 14