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MINISTRY PROFILE

Ministry:

The Ministry of Forests (the Ministry) is the Province's agency responsible for the management of forests, lands and range and integrated decision making for water, fish and wildlife, archaeology permits and authorizations and natural resource compliance and enforcement. By a commitment to sustainable natural resource management, and through the advancement of forest policy modernization and new transformational initiatives, the Ministry supports activities that provide economic, environmental, cultural and social benefits to all British Columbians. This work directly contributes to the achievement of the Province's goals of meaningful reconciliation, a strong, sustainable economy and a better future for all British Columbians.

Ministry Mandate:

The Ministry is the Province's agency responsible for the management of forests, lands and range and integrated decision making for water, fish and wildlife, archaeology permits and authorizations and natural resource compliance and enforcement. The Ministry is also responsible for ensuring the province is well positioned to address natural hazards, including wildfire and flood management. The Ministry is working to address climate change by enhancing the role of forests and forest products as carbon sinks or opportunities to reduce emissions, and by preparing and responding to the impacts of climate change already underway. By a commitment to sustainable natural resource management, and through the advancement of forest policy modernization and new transformational initiatives, the Ministry supports activities that provide economic, environmental, cultural and social benefits to all British Columbians.

The Ministry oversees policy development, operational management and implementation, and administers relevant statutes and associated regulations. The Ministry also supports the Minister in her governance responsibilities for the Columbia River Treaty and associated Crown agencies including the Columbia Power Corporation, Columbia Basin Trust and the Forest Enhancement Society of British Columbia.

Full Time Equivalents (FTEs):

* headcount varies throughout the year, most dramatically due to an influx of seasonal auxiliary workers during the summer.

FOR Headcount - October 1, 2022 ^[1]

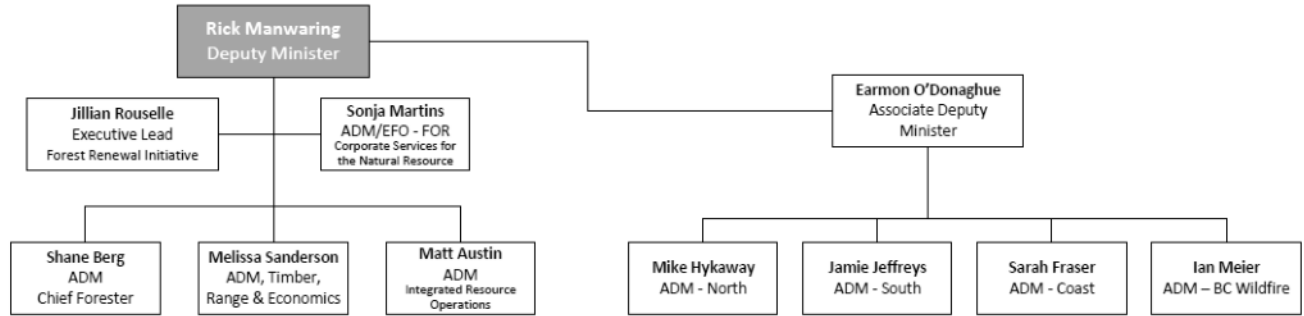
Division	Grand Total	Active			On Leave		
		Aux.	Reg.	Sub total	Aux.	Reg.	Sub total
Associate Deputy Minister's Office	46	4	36	40		6	6
BC Wildfire Service	1,595	1,181	355	1,536	47	13	60
Deputy Minister's Office	45	1	41	42		3	3
Integrated Resource Operations	371	34	319	353		18	18
Office of the Chief Forester	271	48	217	265	1	5	6
Regional Operations - Coast Area	524	29	471	500		24	24
Regional Operations - North Area	575	35	509	544		31	31
Regional Operations - South Area	833	67	724	791	1	41	42
Timber, Range, and Economics	172	6	162	168		4	4
FOR Total	4,427	1,405	2,834	4,239	49	145	194

Executive Organizational Chart:

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Budget:

Core Business Area	2021/22 Restated Estimates ¹	2022/23 Estimates	2023/24 Plan	2024/25 Plan
Operating Expenses (\$000)				
Integrated Resource Operations	77,963	81,601	82,384	82,444
Office of the Chief Forester	102,840	111,946	112,948	112,951
Forest and Range Sector Policy	10,473	10,477	10,477	10,477
Fire Preparedness	43,343	43,348	43,348	43,348
Regional Operations	116,551	116,588	116,588	116,588
Executive and Support Services	66,358	67,029	67,047	67,047
Fire Management	136,310	194,285	199,535	199,535
BC Timber Sales Account	233,816	206,742	213,000	232,061
Crown Land Special Account	20	500	500	500
Total	787,674	832,516	845,827	864,951
Ministry Capital Expenditures (Consolidated Revenue Fund) (\$000)				
Executive and Support Services	28,287	35,936	30,097	30,097
Fire Management	525	2,575	2,575	2,575
BC Timber Sales Account	49,851	40,671	43,756	42,929
Total	78,663	79,182	76,428	75,601
Other Financing Transactions (\$000)				
BC Timber Sales Account Disbursements	105,816	96,347	96,222	95,107
Crown Land Administration Disbursements	6,382	6,382	6,382	6,382
Habitat Conservation Trust Disbursements	6,500	6,500	6,500	6,500
Habitat Conservation Trust Receipts	(6,500)	(6,500)	(6,500)	(6,500)
Net Cash Requirements (Source)	112,198	102,729	102,604	101,489
Total Receipts	(6,500)	(6,500)	(6,500)	(6,500)
Total Disbursements	118,698	109,229	109,104	107,989
Total Net Cash Requirements (Source)	112,198	102,729	102,604	101,489

¹ For comparative purposes, amounts shown for 2021/22 have been restated to be consistent with the presentation of the 2022/23 Estimates.

* Further information on program funding and vote recoveries is available in the [Estimates and Supplement to the Estimates](#)

EXECUTIVE MEMBER BIOGRAPHY



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Deputy Minister
Deputy Minister's Office
Ministry of Forests

Rick Manwaring was appointed deputy minister of the Ministry of Forests on April 1, 2021. Prior to this role, Rick was associate deputy minister of the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development from May 2018 to March 2021.

During his 30-year career with the BC Public Service, Rick has lived and worked in remote and rural communities across BC while building relationships and a diverse operational understanding of land and resource management. Rick is a Registered Professional Forester and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in forestry from the University of New Brunswick.

