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If you are in our area, drop by our office for more information. Or for additional information write, fax (250-726-7211), call (250-726-2424), or email (cwfs@alberni.net).

Learn more about the society at www.clayoquot.org



“The CWFS is recognized throughout our region for its stellar work on in-stream and riparian restoration, and for its interpretive/educational initiatives.”

**Thomas C. Esakin, Executive Director,
Clayoquot Biosphere Trust**

“The Central Westcoast Forest Society continues to exhibit capable leadership in developing the regional visions, projects, and mechanisms to advance restoration and responsible management of forest lands.”

**Alex Zellermeier, Superintendent,
Pacific Rim National Park**

“The Central Westcoast Forest Society has demonstrated a thoroughness and professionalism that suggests to us they have both the capacity and commitment to meet stated objectives.”

**Rich Chapple, Executive Director,
Pacific Salmon Foundation**

“Your society’s focus on local action through community partnerships, education and public awareness is integral to building a new approach to watershed management in the Clayoquot region.”

Ian Gill, President, Ecotrust Canada

“We have a saying, “hishuk ish ts’awalk” – everything is one or connected. This makes me realize the importance and effects of rehabilitation in roads, landslides, and watersheds. All of which work together in rebuilding our streams and forests to their fullest life.”

Sam Haiyupis, Ahousesant First Nations



Bringing fish and forest ecosystem restoration to you

The Central Westcoast Forest Society is working hard to ensure people understand, appreciate, and experience the benefits of ecosystem restoration. Trails, recreation areas, interpretive drives, and special events are key to that effort. The more people understand the work that needs to be done, the more help there will be to make it happen.

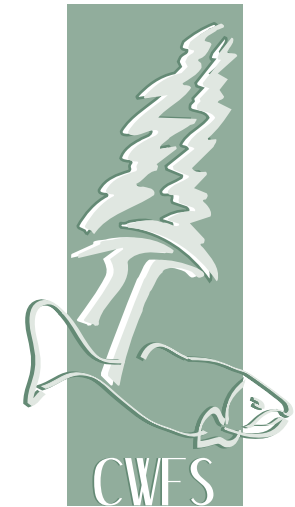
Come visit the area of the UNESCO Clayoquot Sound Biosphere Reserve. Experience first-hand the benefits of CWFS work. Join us in the fall for the Return of the Salmon Festival and experience the wonder of wild Pacific salmon spawning in restored creeks.



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Helping to heal Canada's temperate rainforest



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Forest Society

- Fish and forest ecosystem restoration and enhancement
- Research and education
- Recreational and educational opportunities and infrastructure

The Central Westcoast Forest Society (CWFS) is a registered charity based on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, British Columbia, Canada.



Since 1995 the CWFS has focussed on fish and forest ecosystem restoration and enhancement, research and education, and the development of recreational and educational opportunities and infrastructure.



While helping to heal Canada's temperate rainforest, the CWFS is also helping to heal communities in the

areas severely affected by the downturn in forestry and commercial fishing. People displaced from jobs in these sectors, including local First Nations people, work on the CWFS crews.

Through the work of the CWFS and its partners all the Clayoquot Sound area communities have benefited, not only from training opportunities and increased employment, but also from a fostering of stewardship values.



The CWFS is governed by a board of directors representing local communities and other diverse interests.



Past forest practices not up to today's standards, along with other impacts such as settlement, and damming for water supplies, have left some parts of Canada's temperate rainforest in need of a helping hand. The negative impacts on the environment have left some species threatened, others endangered, and some wild salmon runs on the verge of extinction.

The Central Westcoast Forest Society is the hub of a complex process where different levels and departments of governments, foundations, sponsors, industry, community groups, and others are helping to heal Canada's temperate rainforest.

Up-Slope Restoration

The restoration of fish and forest ecosystems starts at the top, on the hillsides. Forest roads and bridges no longer in use are deactivated and returned to a natural state. Landslide areas are restored to keep soil materials from sliding down into the fish creeks below.



In-Stream Restoration

To restore fish streams, excess wood debris is removed so water flows freely and fish have access. Spawning and rearing habitat is also created with gravel and the largest of the wood pieces.



Before Restoration



Riparian Restoration

The stream banks, or the riparian zones, are also restored through innovative enhanced forestry and techniques to create wildlife habitat.

It's not just fish (including chinook, coho, sockeye, chum, and pink salmon, steelhead, and cutthroat trout) that benefit from the restoration work, other wildlife species (black bear, eagles, herons, frogs, and salamanders) also thrive when the ecosystem is healthy. The plant species in the rainforest also benefit from a healthier environment.

All these steps of ecosystem restoration give Mother Nature a boost, accelerating the natural healing processes. Continued research and monitoring of these activities is also a key part of the equation.



After Restoration

To help heal Canada's temperate rainforest, the Central Westcoast Forest Society depends on grants and other funding from government agencies, foundations, and from caring individuals like you.

You can help



Please remember all donations to the Central Westcoast Forest Society over \$25 are eligible for a tax deductible receipt. (charity #895036358RR001) Your contribution will help ensure the society's important fish and forest ecosystem restoration work continues. Your contribution will also help make more educational and recreational opportunities possible. With your help we can do more, and there is much more to do.

