



# Vancouver Island Safety Conference



***“It’s time to succeed... What’s on your RADAR?”***

***The 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Vancouver Island Safety Conference  
Vancouver Island Conference Centre, October 2, 2010***

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Plans are well underway for the 5<sup>th</sup> annual Vancouver Island Safety Conference. This year’s conference addresses how woodlands and wood products manufacturing operations can improve their business success by reducing health and safety risks.

The conference will bring together about three hundred participants including contractors from every phase of the forest industry, health and safety committee co-chairs, employers, union representatives, worker representatives, policy makers, and industry leaders. Workshops will provide practical information and tools for supervisors, workers, owner-operators, or operations managers to help better **R**ecognize hazards, **A**ssess the situation, **D**evelop a safe solution, **A**ct safely to fix the problem, and then **R**eport and record the incident. We have also invited the Minister of Forests, Pat Bell, to address the conference (attendance is tentative at this point).

The conference steering committee is made up of representatives from Labour, Industry, the BC Forest Safety Council and WorkSafeBC (see participants listed on sidebar at left). On behalf of the industry steering committee, I would like to ask you to partner with us in featuring the conference in your publication.

I will be contacting you shortly to confirm your involvement and discuss potential stories. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to give me a call.

On behalf of the steering committee,

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