

Canadian Forestry Accreditation Board Bureau canadien d'agrément en foresterie

Standard 8B: Natural Resources and Ecosystem Management

Principle: Managing natural resources requires that the provision of ecosystem services, and social and economic demands are balanced with ecosystem sustainability, including ecosystem function, and species and landscape biodiversity across a broad land base. The competencies listed ensure a comprehensive background on the part of the applicant, including understanding the regulatory framework, understanding and implementing strategic, tactical and operational plans, and landscapelevel monitoring.

Demonstrable Competencies and Competency Elements

Graduates of an accredited forestry program shall be able to:

8B.1 Discuss the landscape management process, requirements and levels.

- Components of the landscape management process
- Purpose of landscape-level management planning
- Domestic and global trends
- Concept and applications of sustainability
- Strategic, tactical and operational planning levels

8B.2 Design environmental/landscape-level plans.

- Legal and policy requirements
- Stakeholder consultation
- Landscape values (ecological, social, and economic)
- Current landscape conditions
- Management objectives and constraints
- Landscape/forest-level projection models
- Actions (silviculture) used to attain different management objectives
- Performance measurement criteria and methodologies

8B.3 Develop operational plans.

- Business and operational objectives and constraints
- Resources required
- Basic operational planning including access, silviculture, protection, use management, etc.