



**FRA 2024 FALL BOARD MEETING**

*All times are listed in Pacific*

**Meetings are open to all unless otherwise stated**

**Monday, September 30**

Optional Activity Day: Golf or Wine Tasting

Dinner on Own

**Tuesday, October 1**

		<b>Room</b>
7:00AM – 5:00PM	Registration	Conference Center
7:00AM – 8:30 AM	Breakfast	Bay 6
7:00AM – 8:30 AM	FRA Western Region Steering Committee Meeting <i>By Invitation Only</i>	Kidd Island
8:30AM - 12:00 PM	FRA Western Region Meeting – Open to All	Bay 4
8:30 AM – 9:00 AM	<b>Angela Cordell – Associate Dean, Economic &amp; Workforce Development, Shasta College</b> <i>Developing the Future Workforce: A Public-Private Partnership</i>	
9:00 AM – 9:30 AM	<b>Kyle Freres – Vice President, Freres Lumber Co. Inc.</b> <i>Innovation- Sunrise for the Timber Industry</i>	
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>Chris Sutherland, Founder / Owner, Sutherland Group</b> <b>Tyler Snitynsky, Sales Manager, Sutherland Group</b> <i>Industry and Indigenous Collaboration for Mutual Success</i>	
10:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Break	
10:30 AM – 12:00 PM	<b>Justin Barnes – Sales Representative, NA, ResourceWise</b> <b>Rob Schuetz – President, Industrial Forestry Service Ltd</b> <i>Western Region and Canada Log Supply, Markets, and Policy Trends</i>	
12:00 PM	FRA Western Region Meeting Adjourns	

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**Tuesday, October 1 (Continued)**

**Room**

11:30AM – 2:30PM	Executive Committee Meeting with Working Lunch <i>By Invitation Only. The Western Region Steering Committee will join this meeting at approximately 1:00 pm</i>	Kidd Island
12:00PM – 1:00PM	Welcome Lunch & Networking	Bay 6
3:00PM	Welcome to Idaho! <b>Shawn Keough - Executive Director, Associated Logging Contractors, Inc. –Idaho</b>	Bay 4
3:15PM – 5:00PM	National Public Policy/Advocacy Committee Session	Bay 4
3:15PM – 4:15PM	<b>Guest Speaker: Jim Ellis – Senior Political Analyst, BIPAC</b> <i>Elections 2024: Predicting the Unpredictable</i>	
4:15PM – 4:45PM	Committee Business Meeting	
5:30PM – 7:30PM	Dinner Cruise on Lake Coeur d'Alene <b><i>Please plan to begin boarding from the Boardwalk Marina adjacent to the hotel at 5:30 PM. The boat will leave at 6:00 PM promptly and return by 7:30 PM</i></b>	

**Wednesday, October 2**

**Room**

7:30AM – 9:00AM	Breakfast	Bay 6
9:00AM – 10:00AM	Keynote Speaker Session: <b>Stephen Mackie – Executive Vice President, North America Operations, Canfor</b>	Bay 4
10:00AM – 11:00AM	Keynote Speaker Session: <b>Douglas Reed – President, Green Diamond Resource Company</b>	Bay 4
11:00AM – 11:15AM	Break	

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		<b>Room</b>
11:15AM – 12:45PM	National Operations Committee Meeting	Bay 4
11:15AM – 12:00PM	Speaker Session: <b>Kirk Gulian - Director of EV Mobility, Dobbs Truck Group</b> <i>PNW Trucking Scarcity: Emissions and EV Compliance Landscape in 2025</i>	
12:00PM – 12:45PM	Committee Business Meeting	Kidd Island
12:00PM – 1:15PM	Lunch	Bay 6
1:15PM – 2:15PM	Keynote Speaker Session: <b>David Bruce – CFO, Vaagen Bros. Lumber, Inc.</b>	Bay 4
2:15PM – 3:45PM	National Supplier/Consumer Relations Committee Meeting	Bay 4
2:15PM – 3:00PM	Speaker Session: <b>Marie Price – Director of Training and Development, Idaho Forest Group</b> <b>Tommy Groff - Plant Superintendent, Idaho Forest Group Laclede Mill</b> <i>Registered Apprenticeship as a Talent Development Strategy</i>	
3:00PM – 3:45PM	Committee Business Meeting	Kidd Island
5:30PM – 6:15PM	Reception	Bay 4
6:15PM – 8:00PM	Dinner <b>Guest Speaker: Ryer Becker– Research Assistant Professor of Forest Operations, University of Idaho</b> <i>Engaging and Equipping the Next Generation of Forest Professionals</i>	Bay 4

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**Thursday, October 3**

		<b>Room</b>
7:30AM – 9:00AM	Breakfast	Bay 4
9:00AM – 9:45AM	Speaker Session: <b>Rob Gordon – Western Caucus Foundation</b> <i>Endangered Species Act at 50 Years</i>	Bay 4
9:45AM – 11:00AM	FRA Board of Directors Meeting	Bay 4
11:00AM	Adjourn	



**SIX RULES FOR  
LOGGING  
SAFETY**

The Timber Harvesting and Transportation Safety (THATS) Foundation debuts a **6 Rules for Logging Safety Kit** to enhance safety within the logging community. Get yours today!  
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**THINK LOGGING SAFETY!**

- Awareness**
  - Know the hazards around you, including changing weather conditions
  - Know what others are doing
  - Maintain a safe working distance from others
  - Watch where you're walking and hands out of pockets
- Safety Training and Discussions**
  - New employees must be trained in hazard awareness and safe logging practices
  - Write plan to train/mentor new employees for the first six months
  - Have a detailed first aid kit and develop an emergency action plan for the work site
  - Document weekly safety meetings and report injuries and near misses
- Personal Protective Equipment**
  - Wear hardhats, eye/ear protection and chainsaw chaps
  - Wear boots with steel safety toes and safety boots as appropriate
  - Wear protective gloves and flou vest/clothing
- Felling**
  - Look for overhead hazards
  - Keep a safe fall length distance between workers
  - Use a hinge to control the tree
  - Have a felling plan and know your escape route
- Machine Operation**
  - Do a walk around to check equipment before operating
  - Maintain 3 points of contact when mounting/dismounting
  - Know where the shift controls are
  - Ground disab/grippages and set parking brake, when exiting equipment
- Repair and Maintenance**
  - Prepare a pre-work plan for the piece of equipment
  - Follow lockout/tagout procedures
  - De-energize hydraulic, pressure and electrical power before starting work

Everyone has a voice in safety! Have a safe...

**GET IT NOW!**

**\$50 Safety Kit Includes:**

- ✓ A durable 28" x 19" poster displaying the THATS Six Rules for Logging Safety
- ✓ Safety Focused Keychains (5)
- ✓ Safety Focused Stickers (20)

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