

Barry Manfield is a Canadian Registered Safety Professional (CRSP) with over 30 years experience in the fields of Occupational Health & Safety, general Forestry, Environmental Management, Fire Management, Pest Management and Security. His primary post-secondary education was completed in 1974 by graduating from the Forestry Natural Resource Management Program at the BC Institute of Technology. Since then he has participated in numerous professional development workshops in a variety of areas.

Currently President and General Manager of Sylva Management Services Ltd. (Sylva), a consulting firm based in Kamloops, BC and specializing in providing Occupational Health & Safety services to government and the forest industry.

Sylva began operations in 1986 by providing specialized consulting services and training to government and industry in the areas of forestry, environmental management, occupational safety & health, pest management and fire management.

Having directed, conducted and managed field operations in all of the service areas that Sylva routinely provides to its clients his experience is substantial. Has developed and delivered numerous educational / training programs related to health & safety and forest management topics. Guest lectured at several post-secondary institutes in BC as well as having made formal presentations at several professional conferences throughout western Canada on a wide variety of topics related to OH&S. In addition to being a long established CRSP he has sponsored and mentored numerous applicants for accreditation as safety professionals within Canada.

Previously employed with the Workers' Compensation Board of BC for approximately eight (8) years as an Occupational Safety Officer (Inspector) based in the central interior of BC with provincial responsibilities as a specialist for helicopter operations, forest fire fighting and blasting. Prior to joining the WCB he was a Regional Manager / Equipment Specialist with International Forest Fire Systems Ltd. (IFFS), a general forestry consulting firm specializing in developing and delivering forest fire initial attack systems throughout BC, Alberta, Yukon and the Northwest Territories.

In addition, for over 20 years he was an active volunteer with the Provincial Emergency Program at various locations throughout BC and served as an auxiliary police officer with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police for over seven years. Barry has been previously qualified as an expert witness within BC at Coroner's Inquests, County Court and Supreme Court proceedings, as well as having been the lead advocate in numerous Environmental Appeal Board Hearings and Workers' Compensation Review / Appeal hearings on behalf of various clients.

Currently an active member of the following Professional Associations

- Association for Canadian Registered Safety Professionals (ACRSP)
- Association of BC Forest Professionals (ABCFP)
- American Biological Safety Association – Canada (ABSA Canada)
- American Industrial Hygiene Association – BC Chapter (AIHA-BC)
- Canadian Association of Fire Chiefs (CAFC)
- Canadian Society of Safety Engineering (CSSE)

- College & University Safety Association (CUSA)
- Fire Marshall's Public Fire Safety Council
- Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IESNA)
- International Society of Explosives Engineers (ISEE)
- International Society for Fall Protection (ISFP)
- National Association for Search & Rescue (NASAR)
- National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)
- National Safety Council – USA (NSC)
- Western Fallers Association

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