

# Welcome to the UBC Malcolm Knapp Research Forest

## About the forest:

### Management:

The 5157 hectares of land that make up the UBC Malcolm Knapp Research Forest (MKRF) contain just about every type of terrain found in the lower coastal region of B.C. The Forest stretches north and east up the steep slopes of the Golden Ears Mountains, west down to sea level at Pitt Lake, and south to the edge of the urban interface in Maple Ridge. The landscape includes several lakes and smaller watersheds.

The UBC Faculty of Forestry has managed these lands since 1949 for research, education, and demonstration in the field of Forestry. The Research Forest is completely self-funded – trees are harvested on a sustainable yield basis. More information is available on the MKRF website (see address below).

### Research and Education:

Research at the Forest is conducted by many different agencies, including UBC, other universities and colleges, federal and provincial governments, and private companies. Over 840 projects have been initiated since 1949, with about 125 active today, many of a long term nature. Studies conducted in the Forest have gained international recognition in such fields as forest management, ecology, biology, climatology, astronomy, hydrology, and genetics.

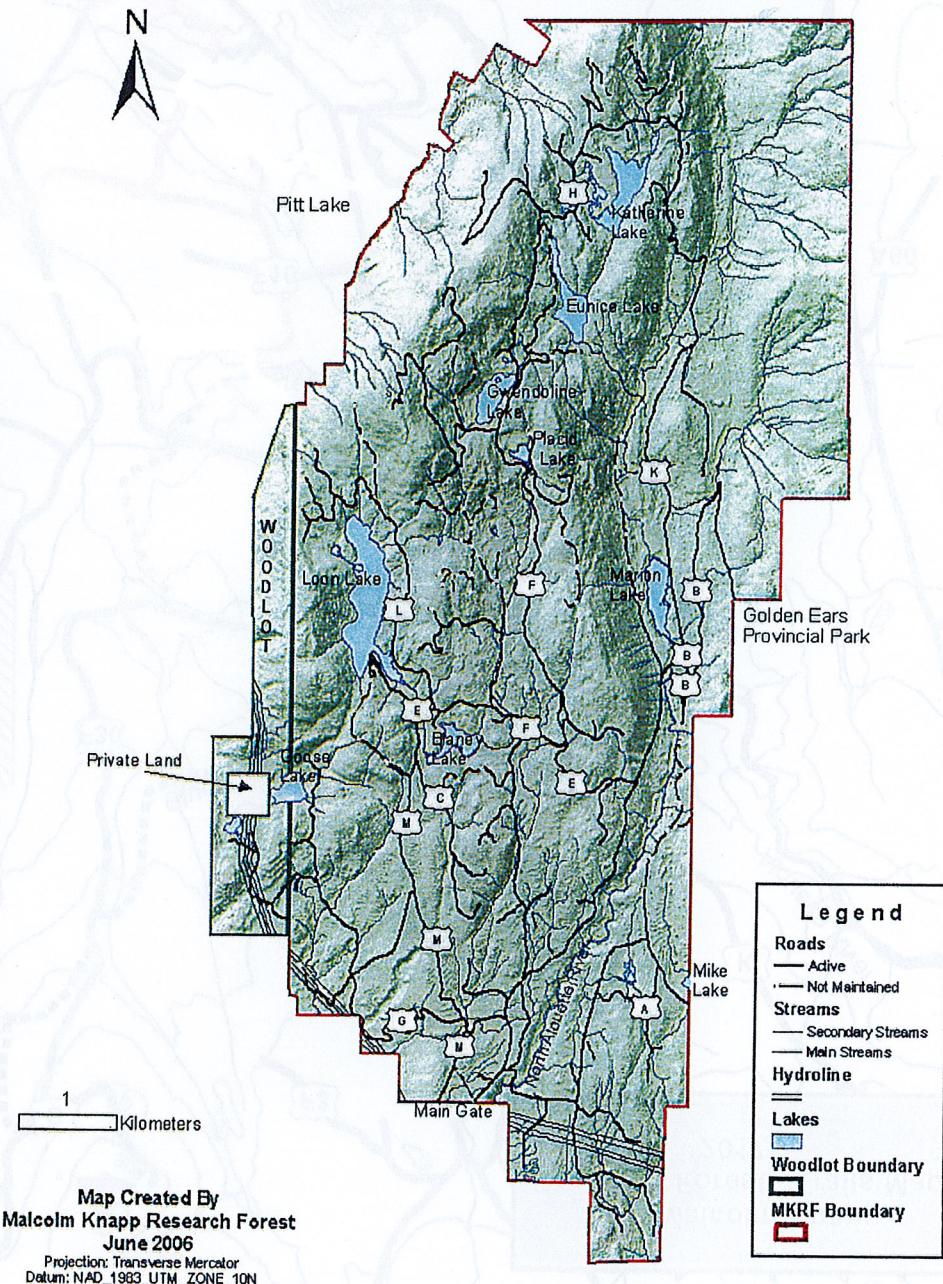
The Research Forest is heavily used for education, with classes from UBC, SFU, and other colleges and universities coming here for field trips. Each year, third-year Forestry students from UBC attend a one week Spring Camp at the Research Forest. We also host a week long camp for UBC Forest Conservation students each fall. In addition, the Research Forest runs an international internship program for students from other countries who wish to learn about forestry in BC.

### Recreation:

There are a variety of trails throughout the forest, intended for day hikers of all abilities. Trail routes and estimated walking times can be found on the reverse of this page. Due to the sensitivity of some research projects, dogs, horses, and bicycles are not allowed in the forest. The Loon Lake Research and Education Centre is closed to the general public, as it is often occupied by private groups. It is available for rent as a location for youth, group, and corporate retreats. Loon Lake is also home to the Canadian Cancer Society's "Camp Goodtimes" each summer.

### For more information:

Please contact the MKRF at (604) 463-8148, or check our website at: [www.mkrf.forestry.ubc.ca](http://www.mkrf.forestry.ubc.ca). Groups interested in the Loon Lake R.E.C can visit the website at [www.loonlake.ubc.ca](http://www.loonlake.ubc.ca), or phone (604)-463-8149.





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