



Design for Alex Fraser Research Forest

British Columbia, Canada

Canadian Artist Laurie McGugan in collaboration with Ken Day at UBC's Alex Fraser Research Forest near Williams Lake, is creating the first site for *Silvae*, a public art project created by environmentally sensitive forestry practices. *Silvae* is to be seen from the ground only and deals with the aesthetics of how we harvest this resource.

The artist has taken fossils as the inspiration for the designs. Regenerating with different species allows the artwork to change through the seasons and years.

This site evolved from an exhibition with the artist in May, 2006 in collaboration with Professor Stephen Sheppard and the Collaborative for Advanced Landscape Planning at the University of British Columbia.

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Artist's Model of Slope at Gavin Lake

A. View from outlook at 1010 m elevation
 B. Aerial view with road
 C. Designs integrated with GIS data by Mircea Rau at Alex Fraser Research Forest

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