

BIO

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Cherie Whelan is the Director, SAFE Companies of BC Forestry Safety, reporting to the Chief Executive Officer, Rob Moonen. Cherie joined BCFSC in June, 2016 and brings more than 25 years of health and safety experience from both the public and private sectors.

She has worked with Worker's Compensation Boards in two different jurisdictions in multiple roles, with Alberta Occupational Health & Safety compliance as an Officer and a Lead Investigator, and more recently overseeing safety governance for TransAlta Corporation in Alberta.

A Certified Registered Safety Professional (CRSP) with a Bachelor's of Business Administration and a certified OHSMS / OHSAS 18001 Lead Auditor and ISO 14001-Environmental Lead Auditor. Cherie brings a solid understanding of effective health and safety systems design and a good business acumen that has enabled her to effectively implement safety management systems in a pragmatic way. She has experience as an investigator, auditor, facilitator and leader and has worked with companies, contractors and sub-contractors throughout her career to improve safety outcomes.

Cherie grew up in Newfoundland and then spent 18 years in Alberta. She now resides in Nanaimo with her family.



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