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1984 FOREST AND RANGE RESOURCE ANALYSIS:  
BACKGROUND REPORT  
ASSESSING THE OUTLOOK  
FOR  
BRITISH COLUMBIA'S FOREST INDUSTRY

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## FOREWORD

This Background Report to the 1984 Forest and Range Resource Analysis contains the results of five projects undertaken by consultants. These firms were commissioned to provide their experienced opinions on future prospects for selected components of British Columbia's forest industry.

Summaries of four of the reports were published as part of the 1984 Resource Analysis. The fifth summary, dealing with plywood and fibreboards, was omitted because the topic was already covered sufficiently in the report about the status of the Coast forest industry. All five reports are included here in their entirety, however, because they each contain extensive background information that is essential to fully understanding the problems and opportunities facing the forest industry.

The reports have not been edited and represent the opinions of individual consultants. Any differences in their projections and prognoses are indicative of the uncertainty in predicting the future.