

**Washington State SFI Implementation Committee Direction to Program Participants
Regarding the Use of Qualified Logging Professionals for the SFI 2015–2019 SFI
Standard**

Qualified Logging Professional Defined

The WA SIC defines a qualified logging professional (QLP) as:

- a) An individual who is a current WCLA Master Logger Professional or
- b) An individual who is directly supervised by an individual that is a current WCLA Master Logger Professional and has completed the Forest Practice Act and first aid sections of the MLP curriculum and has completed at least four (4) hours of related training in each subsequent year.

QLP Training Curriculum

The WCLA Master Logger Professional program curriculum has been determined to meet the training requirements of SFI 2015-2019 FMS Performance Measure 11.2, Indicator 1. Specifically, the curriculum includes the following 32 hours of training:

- a) Forest Ecology, Silviculture (8 hours)
- b) Safety & Workers Compensation Issues (8 hours)
- c) Forest Practices Act (8 hours)
- d) Logging Business Management(8 hours)
- e) First Aid Card

Contractor Types Recommended for QLP Status

The WA SIC recommends that program participants require all logging, cutting, processing, and logging road construction contractors to maintain QLP status. Awareness training for all other types of contractors could be attained by receiving SFI-related material from a SFI Program Participant, attendance at an SFI information session or verbally from a SFI Program Participant.

QLP Onsite Supervision

A QLP supervising multiple sites should be able to demonstrate the ability to oversee those sites to assure regulatory and Best Management Practices compliance of the operation.