



## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI)

### Longline / Skyline Harvesting Contractor Services

HFN Forestry LP – Vancouver Island, British Columbia

**Issue Date:** June 9, 2026

**Closing Date:** July 15, 2026 – 4:00 PM PST

### Opportunity

HFN Forestry LP is seeking Expressions of Interest from qualified contractors with experience in longline, skyline, cable yarding, and steep-slope harvesting systems.

HFN Forestry LP is actively evaluating the development of a long-term cable harvesting program within its operating areas on Vancouver Island and is interested in identifying experienced contractors capable of supporting the planning, development, and execution of a sustainable longline harvesting program.

This EOI is intended to identify capable contractors, understand available harvesting capacity and equipment, and gather operational and commercial information that will assist HFN Forestry LP in developing future harvesting opportunities.

This Expression of Interest is not a Request for Proposal, Request for Tender, or commitment to award work.

### About HFN Forestry LP

HFN Forestry LP manages forestry operations on behalf of the Huu-ay-aht First Nations within the Barkley Sound region of Vancouver Island.

HFN Forestry LP is committed to sustainable forest management, responsible resource development, improved fibre utilization, and the creation of long-term economic opportunities within the region.

As part of its long-term harvesting strategy, HFN Forestry LP is evaluating opportunities to increase the use of cable harvesting systems where operationally and economically appropriate.



## Preliminary Program Overview

HFN Forestry LP is currently developing a harvesting strategy that may include a combination of:

- Longline cable yarding systems
- Running skyline systems
- Standing skyline systems
- Swing yarder operations
- Conventional cable harvesting systems
- Select helicopter harvesting applications

Current planning activities include the identification and layout of harvest areas suitable for longline and skyline harvesting configurations, with additional helicopter opportunities also being assessed.

## Anticipated Harvest Program

While no guarantees are provided, HFN Forestry LP is currently evaluating a program with the following preliminary targets:

- Proposed commencement: Q2 2027
- Anticipated annual harvest volume: approximately 25,000–35,000 m<sup>3</sup>
- Multi-year program potential
- Opportunities for future expansion as additional harvest areas are developed

Respondents should identify their ability to support both the initial program and future growth opportunities.

## Information Requested

Interested contractors are requested to provide the following information:

### Company Information

- Company overview
- Years in operation
- Primary operating areas
- Key management personnel

### Equipment & Harvesting Systems

- Yarder make and model
- Carriage type and configuration
- Preferred harvesting configuration
- Support equipment fleet



- Crew size and composition

## Operational Capacity

- Annual harvesting capacity
- Monthly production capacity
- Available operating window
- Ability to mobilize to Vancouver Island
- Ability to support a multi-year harvesting program

## Productivity & Operating Parameters

Please provide information regarding:

- Preferred yarding distance ranges
- Typical payload capacity
- Average turn size
- Productivity expectations by piece size
- Productivity expectations by yarding distance
- Typical production rates (m<sup>3</sup>/day and m<sup>3</sup>/PMH)
- Key factors affecting productivity

## Commercial Information

HFN Forestry LP is not requesting binding pricing through this process; however, respondents are encouraged to provide:

- Preferred Pricing Methodology
- Indicative machine rates
- Mobilization and setup requirements
- Minimum volume requirements
- Operational assumptions used in developing rates

## Comparable Project Experience

Please provide details for a minimum of three (3) comparable harvesting projects completed within the past five years.

For each project, include:

- Client name
- Location
- Year completed
- Harvesting system utilized
- Total volume harvested (m<sup>3</sup>)



- Average piece size (m<sup>3</sup>)
- Average yarding distance (m)
- Yarder and carriage configuration
- Average productivity (m<sup>3</sup>/PMH)
- Average daily production (m<sup>3</sup>/day)
- Client reference

This information will help HFN Forestry LP assess expected productivity under operating conditions like those on Huu-ay-aht First Nations lands.

## Program Development

HFN Forestry LP is particularly interested in engaging contractors capable of contributing to the development of a long-term cable harvesting program.

Respondents are encouraged to provide recommendations regarding:

- Optimal harvesting system configurations
- Production and efficiency opportunities
- Equipment requirements
- Workforce considerations
- Long-term partnership opportunities
- Strategies for establishing a sustainable longline harvesting program on Vancouver Island

## Submission Requirements

Expressions of Interest must be submitted electronically no later than:

July 15, 2026 – 4:00 PM PST

Submissions should contain sufficient information to demonstrate experience, operational capability, production capacity, and interest in participating in future opportunities with HFN Forestry LP.

## Disclaimer

This Expression of Interest is issued solely for information-gathering and market engagement purposes.

HFN Forestry LP reserves the right to accept or reject any submission, request additional information, modify or discontinue this process, or engage respondents in future discussions.



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The issuance of this EOI does not create any obligation on the part of HFN Forestry LP to award work, issue a future procurement document, or reimburse any costs incurred by respondents.

## Contact Information

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