



Gun Lake Wildfire Restoration Project

To the private landowners affected by the Gun Lake (aka. Downton Lake) wildfire,

Cariboo Carbon Solutions (CCS) is a forestry consulting firm specializing in wildfire reforestation. In coordination with the Squamish Lillooet Regional District and the Cascades Resource District, CCS is working to obtain funding to replant seedlings on the private lots on and around Gun Lake and in the Gun Creek Road area. This initiative will be funded by a non-governmental organization (NGO) and is at **NO COST** to landowners. The tree-planting prescriptions will promote biological diversity so that future forests are resilient to disturbances and provide diverse habitats that support wildlife. Seedlings with genetics suited to the local climate will be planted on this project; therefore, these seedlings **will not require watering**.

Our reforestation strategies are designed to be flexible and adaptable to your land. For instance, we include deciduous trees such as trembling aspen, which can be planted to create natural fire breaks while supporting an increased diversity of wildlife. We will work with you to develop biodiversity and fire resilience-focused plans that suit your site's needs. Before planting, a Danger Tree Assessment will be conducted to remove dangerous, unsalvaged burned trees that could pose a safety risk to tree planters.

Eligible properties must be at least 3.0 hectares (4.9 acres) to reforest as a stand-alone. However, we will also treat properties that are 0.8 hectares if the property is within a five-minute drive from other eligible properties. Eligibility is also conditional on the landowners' agreement to leave the trees standing for at least 50 years and to provide occasional access to your property for the next 10 years to monitor tree survival and development.

If you would like to participate in this **fully funded** tree planting program, please fill out the attached intake form and send it via email to andrew@cariboocarbon.ca