# FGC Fall Field Trip - Quesnel to Prince George Thursday, October 14, 2021

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**Wednesday, October 13**

PM Out-of-town participants arrive in Quesnel  
Informal gathering at the [Barkerville Brewery](https://barkervillebeer.com/#contactus), 185 Davie Street, Quesnsel  
Dinner on-your-own.

**Thursday, October 14**

07:45 Depart Quesnel - Drive 16.5 km south on Hwy 97, turn left on Red Bluff Rd.   
Turn left on Hazard Rd. Take gravel road at end of cul-de-sac, cross BC Rail tracks, stay left down steep hill to site. 4x4 or AWD – leave cars in cul de sac.

08:15-09:15 **Stop 1 -** [[**Select Seed Co. Ltd**](https://goo.gl/maps/MUCPXm1QSdFYANTQ8) **Quesnel Property**](https://goo.gl/maps/5jNuHieini2LeaDR6)  
**Pat Martin**, FGC Co-Chair, Welcome and Introductions.  
**Brian Barber**, SelectSeed - tour overview, safety, & site overview.   
**Hilary Graham**, SelectSeed & **Roland Jarrett**, Central Interior Mapping Services – New Pli seed orchards.

09:15 Depart SelectSeed  
Drive 23 km North on Hwy 97, turn left at Hillborn Rd just N of downtown.   
Turn left at Y on Hilborn Rd, follow gravel road down to river.

09:45-10:15     **Stop 2 -** [**Vernon Seed Orchard Seed Orchard**](https://goo.gl/maps/SN6KTVkSu9vcewqb6) **- Quesnel**   
**Dan Gaudet**, Manager, VSOC.  
Lodgepole pine seed orchards  
  
*Coffee available - courtesy of Vernon Seed Orchard Co.*

10:15    Depart VOSC Quesnel  
Drive 21 km N on Hwy 97.

10:30-11:15 **Stop 3. Douglas-fir Stock trial.**   
First left turn 3.4 km North of Hush Lake Rest Area.  
**Rob Cochrane,** West Fraser Timber  
Stock type performance and impact of site-limiting factors & genetic gain

11:15 Depart - Lunch on the fly   
Travel N on Hwy 97, turn left on Plett Rd., 9.7 km N of Dunkley sawmill.  
Turn right on Strathnaver-Whites Ld Rd (aka 400 Road). Drive 16.5 km.

11:50-12:40 **Stop 4.** Regeneration Block – initial performance   
@ 416.5km - 400 Road   
**Rob Cochrane,** West Fraser Timber

12:50-13:40  **Stop 5. Commercial Thinning Operation.**  
@ 415km – 400 Road   
**Jeff Mycock** and **Chris Elden**, West Fraser Timber  
Post-harvest stand development and opportunities

13:40 Depart for Prince George Tree Improvement Station.   
97.5 km from Stop 5 – 90 minutes

15:20-16:50 **Stop 6** - [Prince George Tree Improvement Station](https://goo.gl/maps/EnjJQ6PZpqVdvPP3A).  
Turn left off Hwy 16 on Domano Road. Travel 10 km S.  
**Stephen Joyce, Kat Spencer** and **Hayley DeBianchi**   
Forest Improvement and Research Management Branch, FLNRORD  
Pli seed orchards, whitebark pine, assisted migration and adaptation trial

16:50 Depart for Prince George

19:00 Dinner for FGC and Invited Guests  
[Northern Lights Winery and Bistro](https://www.northernlightswinery.ca/) - 745 Prince George Pulpmill Rd.

**Hosts:** FGC, Select Seed Co. Ltd., Vernon Seed Orchard Co., West Fraser Timber Ltd. and the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development.

**Participants:** Participant list and COVID-19 safety plan attached separately.

**Vehicles:** 4x4 or AWD recommended for gravel roads. Pair-up to reduce # vehicles.

**What to bring:**  Appropriate foot ware and outdoor (rain) gear. Hard hats & safety vest recommended.

**Weather forecast:** Partly cloudy. High 8o C Low 2o C. Light wind from SE.

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