



Location:

World Forestry Center | Portland, OR

Schedule:

Tue 12/6 8:00am – 6:00pm
Wed 12/7 8:00am – 4:30pm
Thurs 12/8 8:00am – 2:30pm

Registration & Questions:

www.beckgroupconsulting.com/training
Office #503-684-3406 x107

Cost: \$1,745 Per Attendee

What separates sawmills that survive and thrive from those that falter or fail?

Learn about improving management skills and making your operation more successful from The Beck Group's 30+ years of consulting and benchmarking experience in the North American wood products sector.

Our popular 3-day interactive workshop features industry veteran guest speakers who will present information and provide participants with practical applications that cover a variety of topics key to successful sawmill management. Class topics will range from big picture overviews (Characteristics of a Top Quartile Operation) to more detailed studies of important mill issues (Saw Filing, Log Procurement, Lumber Drying).

Who Should Attend:

- Sawmill managers, supervisors, and management-track employees
- Anyone interested in developing an in-depth understanding of the sawmilling business

Workshop Value:

- Learn strategies for improving your mill's bottom line that can be readily applied in your day-to-day routine
- Bring home analytical tools you can use to improve your operation
- Gain a greater understanding of the key elements of managing a successful sawmilling operation
- Hear from industry veterans who will share valuable lessons they have learned
- Meet your colleagues in the industry and exchange ideas and insights

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Registration includes a course workbook and breakfast, lunch and beverages each day. Happy Hour reception on Tues. Directions and nearby hotel information will be provided. Lodging is not included in registration fee. **If the workshop is cancelled, we will refund your money.**



Workshop Topics*

Characteristics of Top Quartile Operations	What separates top performers from the rest of the pack? We will explore the keys to success observed over 30 years of consulting and benchmarking in the sawmill industry.
Overview of the N. American Lumber Industry	A big-picture overview of the major lumber producing regions, industry and regional trends, and key markets in the U.S. and Canada.
Leadership in the Sawmill	Leadership traits and principles and how they can be applied at sawmill operations.
Profitability “Levers”	There are many variables that impact profitability at a sawmill. What impact will changes in log cost, lumber recovery, productivity, grade yield, or other variables have on the bottom line? We’ll explore this subject and help you identify the changes that provide the greatest leverage.
Lumber Market Outlook	What is in store for lumber markets over the next few years?
Lumber Recovery	An examination of the ways lumber recovery is measured, what variables can influence recovery, and what impact changes in recovery can have on the bottom line.
Log Procurement and Log Valuation	The key things mill managers need to know about log procurement, and how to identify the logs that are the best “fit” for your operation.
Sawmill Safety	Developing a culture of safety for sawmill operations.
Lumber Drying	Best practices for lumber drying can help you improve drying productivity while avoiding problems such as loss of grade and inconsistent moisture content.
Wood Chip Quality and By-product Considerations	A look at key factors affecting wood chip quality and an overview of sawmill by-products markets.
CLT and Mass Timber Construction	A discussion of this emerging building technology and the opportunities it creates for lumber producers.
Human Resources in Lumber Manufacturing	Keys to attracting and developing the sawmill workforce.
Understanding Your Business Model	What is your operation’s approach to markets, manufacturing, and raw material supply?

*Topics subject to change based on final guest speakers.

Keynote Speaker

Steve Henson

CEO

Neiman Enterprises, Inc



Steve is a longtime veteran of the Timber industry starting his career with Crown Zellerbach in Oregon. He received his Bachelor of Science in Forestry from Humboldt State University. Steve has been in the timber industry for 41 years.

Steve and his wife Donna have been married for 40 years and have two grown sons, James and Charlie. And of course, his pride and joy is his granddaughter. Steve loves to hunt and fish whenever possible.

He has served in leadership roles in timber management, procurement and has had operational responsibilities over pine board and pattern business units, stud mills, dimension mills, veneer mills, plywood mills and co-generation. Steve enjoys building high performing teams and growing careers. He currently serves as CEO of Neiman Enterprises, Inc. located in Hulett, Wyoming.

Steve is a board member of Montana Forestry Association, Past President of the Federal Timber Purchasers Association, past president of Rotary and past Chapter chair of SAF. He is currently the 1st vice president of The Oregon Logging Conference.

2022 Workshop Speakers*

Name	Company
Peter Stroble	Alta Forest Products
Hunter Wylie	Crow Engineering
Scott Elston	Forest City
Chris Pease	Idaho Forest Group
Julie Hendricks	Interfor
Terry Brown	Lumber Quality Institute
Steve Henson	Neiman Enterprises
John Holte	Roseburg Forest Products
David Stallcop	Stallcop Group
Bryan Beck	The Beck Group
Roy Anderson	The Beck Group
Steve Courtney	The Beck Group
Erica Spiritos	Timber Lab
	*More guest speakers to be added.

Keys to Successful Sawmill Management

December 6-8, 2022

Ways To Register:

1. Website www.beckgroupconsulting.com - Complete & submit the online registration form.
2. Call #503-684-3406 and be ready to provide the information below, or
3. E-mail the information below (including type of payment preferred) to Hannah@beckgroupconsulting.com
4. Complete the form below and mail it to:
The Beck Group, 13500 SW 72nd Avenue, Suite 250, Portland, OR 97223

Registration Form

Name (first and last): _____

Title/Position: _____

Company: _____

Sawmill Location: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone #: _____

E-mail Address: _____

I am an associate of a Guest Speaker

I am an HMA member

Payment Method (select one)

Check: Include a check with your registration form (via mail), or we will send an invoice to the email address listed.

Credit card: You'll receive an invoice via e-mail with a link for online credit card payment.