



# The Demand For Trained Operators



# Who they are. What they do.

FOROP and its staff reflect every aspect of the timber harvesting business in a true and real life production environment.

FOROP strives to produce entry level equipment operators who are :

- Skilled operators -safe, efficient and productive.
- Operators know equipment maintenance and upkeep.
- Operators who can work effectively as a member of a crew.



# Educational Goals

Safety Productivity Efficiency Profit



**Gregory Poole**



# Training consists of more than equipment...

- Knowledgeable about forestry -BMPs and laws.
- Harvest planning
- Species and market/utilization
- Silviculture





# JOB PLACEMENTS

70% upon completion

Average Salary

Skidder \$25-35K per year

Cutter \$35-\$45K per year

Loader \$50-\$70k per year





Manuel Lopez, a five year skidder operator was sent by Jody Cahoon Logging to train on the 559C loader. He returned after two weeks specialized training and processed 19 loads of chips first day back.

# TRAINING METHODS

**TEACHING TECHNOLOGY INCLUDES USE ONSITE INTERNET, GOPRO CAMERAS, HD VIDEO CAMS, REMOTE PA SYSTEMS, AND VHF HANDHELDS. (9) IPAD AIRS AND A WIRELESS HARDDRIVE ARE BEING ADDED FOR STUDENT ACCESS TO 360 GBS OF ELECTRONIC MATERIALS.**



**Training program utilizes real time video technology, photos, progress and technique assessment sheets, and of course hands on demonstration and operation.**



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