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LAB & FIELD ASSISTANT

at UBC's Tree Ring Lab in collaboration with
PhD Candidate Julie Nielsen from SFU's School of Resource &
Environmental Management and the Nanwakolas Council.



UBC Tree Ring Lab

The Tree Ring Lab at UBC is overseen by Dr. Lori Daniels where an ever growing team of passionate individuals unravel the dynamic history of forests, ecological disturbances and climate change through the science of dendrochronology.

Julie Nielsen

SFU

Julie is a PhD candidate at Simon Fraser University working in collaboration with the UBC Tree Ring Lab on this chapter of her thesis which looks at the frequency and magnitude of heartwood decay in relation to site conditions and age of western redcedars on Vancouver Island.

GUARDIANS OF MONUMENTAL CEDAR



The initiative this study contributes to is the Large Cultural Cedar Inventory being carried out by the Nanwakolas Council. To learn more of the project follow the QR code to watch their video.



Nanwakolas, "a place we go to find agreement"
www.nanwakolas.com



My partner preparing the stump for sample collection.



The space left behind after a ring sample has been taken.



A prepared ring sample ready to be scanned.

THE POSITION

- **FIELD WORK:** Collect data from post-harvest trees on Vancouver Island.
- **LAB WORK:** Analyse data to estimate percent decay, fungal decay species, and age of trees.

A CONTRIBUTION TO ...

- research to **protect** Canadian **old-growth forests**.
- surveys of **monumental cedars** for **cultural use**.
- methods to **predict percent decay** in pre-harvest cedars > can be applied to **keep foresters safe** during logging.

ETHNOBIOLOGY

"[T]he scientific study of dynamic relationships among people, biota, and environments."

—Society of **Ethnobiology.org**

Cedars play a keystone role in the Pacific Northwest both ecologically and in cultural importance. Better understanding the physiology of these trees and their ecosystems in conjunction with societal and cultural benefits will strengthen our relationship with the trees and the services they provide.

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Do you want to learn more about this co-op or this project? Follow the QR code for a dynamic journal of the summer!



From left to right: a lucky find: the fungi responsible for 'brown cubical butt rot' in western redcedar; in the tree stump collecting data.

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THE PROJECT LIVES ON