

Richmond Forum, March 2009
Event Description

The Pacific North Coast Integrated Management (PNCIMA) Forum is a two-day event that will engage people and organizations in the development of an integrated approach to oceans management for the Pacific North Coast Integrated Management Area (PNCIMA). This integrated approach aims to preserve ecological diversity and function while also ensuring sustainable human use. The event will be attended by individuals and organizations that work in, plan for, and use resources in the PNCIMA region.

The PNCIMA Forum will bring together delegates from throughout coastal BC. Over the course of the two-day forum, the aim will be to develop a common understanding of:

- The PNCIMA region
- Integrated management planning
- The PNCIMA planning process, including the initiative's scope and issues of scale
- The roles and responsibilities of the key contributors to the planning process
- Stakeholder expectations of the PNCIMA planning process and outcomes

This is an important opportunity to initiate critical and timely dialogue on the future of the oceans on BC's Pacific north coast. The outcome of the presentations and discussions that will occur as part of the forum will provide the foundation for building an integrated marine plan.

The event will be attended by individuals and organizations that work in, plan for, and use resources in the PNCIMA region. This includes federal and provincial governments, First Nations, coastal communities, non-governmental organizations, and representatives from all marine sectors including fishing, shipping, forestry, mining, energy and recreation.

We hope that you are able to attend this milestone event as we launch the PNCIMA planning process.