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Who's Winning – The Forests or the Bogs?? Pattern, Process, and Productivity in Hypermaritime Forests of Coastal B.C.

The HyP<sup>3</sup> (pronounced "hip cubed") project was initiated in 1997 to provide an integrated research approach to the study of ecosystem pattern, process, and productivity in the hypermaritime forests of north coastal British Columbia. The project has four main goals:

- Document the ecology of the north coast blanket bog-upland forest complex.
- Assess the feasibility of managing low-productivity cedar-hemlock forests for timber production.
- Define the extent of these sites and identify the potentially operable portion.
- · Develop ecologically-based management guidelines for these forests.

Allen Banner, Project Leader, will describe and illustrate this fascinating north coast landscape and present an overview of the research, including a summary of 7-year results.