

## Brent Davies, Ecotrust Vice President, Forests and Ecosystem Services brent@ecotrust.org Environmental Chamber

## Biography

Brent Davies is Ecotrust's Vice President of Forests and Ecosystem Services. For the last two decades, Brent has worked with tribes, nonprofits, private landowners, businesses, and government agencies to develop and implement innovative conservation, restoration, and economic development strategies. She has co-led the development of several conservation planning tools, including Forest Planner, a user-friendly, online tool that allows landowners to visualize how changes in

their forest practices affect revenue, timber production, carbon sequestration, and more. One of Brent's current priorities is working with the Swinomish Tribe to create a Forest Bank. She received a Master of Science degree from the University of Washington's College of Forest Resources. She currently serves on the Washington Forest Practices Board, NW Community Forest Coalition's Executive Committee, and she also assists in the management of her family's Oregon forestland.

## **Position Statement**

The opportunity to run for the FSC US Board of Directors is a great honor. I am excited by the possibility of working with the Board, staff, membership, and other supporters to maintain FSC's role as the most credible and rigorous standard for forest certification. As a family forest landowner, I also understand the importance of practical guidelines.

I am passionate about the restoration and protection of our forests and have focused my life's work on making ecological forestry more economically viable. I am also dedicated to raising the public's awareness of the many benefits we all receive from good forest management. While many of us understand these benefits, better data on forest ecosystem services will help translate these values to a broader constituency. For the last ten years, I have worked to develop, improve, and expand market and incentive programs for good stewardship. If elected to the Board, I will work to strengthen FSC and to articulate the connection between FSC-certification and public benefits. I believe that FSC can shift the dominant paradigm in the US from industrial to ecological forest management.