



The [Washington State Sustainable Forestry Initiative Implementation Committee](#) (WA SIC) is honored to recognize the **2025 Exceptional Logging Contractor** for their outstanding commitment to the Timber Industry and the [Sustainable Forestry Initiative®](#): (SFI Inc.)

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Allen Brothers Forest Management, Arlington WA

Les and Rob Allen represent the second and third generations of their family's logging legacy. Les Allen along with his two brothers, Craig and Larry, founded Allen Brothers Logging on the Olympic Peninsula in 1976. Rob, a third-generation logger, worked for his father Les periodically throughout high school and as a young adult and joined the business in 2004 after pursuing other careers. Rob's sons will hopefully be the fourth generation to join the company.

Les and Rob's commitment to their business and the timber industry is evident by their conversation along with the maintenance of their equipment and operational practices.

They not only produce the highest quality products possible but maintain a steadfast desire to protect the environmental landscape for future generations.

Both Les and Rob have been in the Master Logger Program (MLP) since the late 90's. Les has been involved with the Washington Contract Logger Association (WCLA) even before the program began and sits on the WCLA Insurance Board. Rob sits on the WCLA Credit Union Board. This commitment to the industry and to the WCLA promotes the industry as a whole and provides support to the other members. Les and Rob's commitment to the QLP program sets the highest of standards for themselves and their operation.

Allen Brothers Forest Management is exceptionally suited for ground-based shovel operations but operate a short yarder tower as needed. With five employees, they typically run a feller buncher, processor and loading shovel. They also operate a smaller excavator to assist in slash piling, road maintenance along with fire hazard abatement. Their equipment is maintained to the highest degree, rotating it frequently to reduce long term maintenance costs. Their operation averages between 14-16 million board feet a year.



Allen Brothers' attention to safety is evident by their safety plan and on-site meetings and their effort to represent the timberland owners they work for. Allen Brothers commitment to the SFI standards is emphasized by their ability to articulate the importance of sustainable forestry not only to an auditor but to the general public as well. This is what makes Allen Brothers Forest Management an **Exceptional Logging Contractor**.

Thank you to Michael Glass and Emily Elfering with [Rayonier](#) for nominating Allen Brothers Forest Management.

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Allen Brothers Forest Management was presented with a plaque recognizing their contribution to the timber industry at the 2026 WCLA Logging Safety Conference. We would like to thank the [Sustainable Forestry Initiative®](#) for its commitment to insuring a sustainable future. Thank you to the [Washington Contract Loggers Association](#) for implementing and maintaining the Master Logger Program through training and continuing education of Logging Professionals in Washington State.