In Canada, 285 million tonnes of raw and finished forest products are transported each year over 4.5 billion kilometres. Based on an average consumption of 60 litres per 100 km, this represents 2.7 billion litres of fuel consumed.

Each litre of diesel consumed produces about 2.7 kg of CO2, a greenhouse gas that contributes to global warming.

Drivers working in forestry operations often face much greater challenges than most other drivers. It is more difficult to drive one’s vehicle efficiently, and situations in which the safety of the driver, his load and the truck are frequently at risk. Reducing fuel consumption and operating costs are two constant challenges for forest truck drivers.

To help forest truck drivers reduce their fuel consumption, the Office of Energy Efficiency of Natural Resources Canada, in collaboration with FPInnovations, created the “SmartDriver” online training program.

The following five modules are included:

Module 1: Smart driver in the forest industry
Module 2: Principles of defensive driving
Module 3: Effective driving
Module 4: Choice of truck components
Module 5: Basic maintenance knowledge

Who is this training intend for?

• Professional drivers
• Fleet owners
5% reduction in fuel used
could save 135 million litres of fuel AND reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 365 million kilograms.

The difference in fuel consumption between the best and the worst driver in a truck fleet can be as high 35%.

CONTENT:
This course is a review of driving techniques that save fuel and ensure safety and environmental sustainability. The economic, environmental and safety benefits of professional driving are presented, as well as practices and techniques for effective driving. Helpful maintenance tips and the correct choice of truck components are also included.

How to register?
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drive-smarter

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