



MICHAEL ANDERSON

Lead Forest Livelihood Strategist

Strategic thinker and forest livelihood advocate with a rich background in environmental policy and sustainable development, possessing over 15 years of experience in enhancing the livelihoods of forest communities. Expertise in program development and implementation, with a focus on integrating socio-economic factors into conservation strategies. Proven ability to navigate complex regulatory environments and advocate for policies that empower local communities.

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EDUCATION

Master of Public Policy

Harvard University
2008

SKILLS

- policy advocacy
- program implementation
- stakeholder engagement
- leadership
- economic analysis
- training

LANGUAGES

- English
- Spanish
- French

WORK EXPERIENCE

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2020-2023

National Forestry Association

- Developed national strategies to enhance forest livelihoods and conservation efforts.
- Engaged with policymakers to advocate for community rights in forest management.
- Led teams in the implementation of programs that increased local economic opportunities.
- Conducted training for stakeholders on sustainable forest practices and policies.
- Monitored and evaluated the effectiveness of livelihood programs across regions.
- Authored policy recommendations that influenced national forest legislation.

Senior Policy Analyst

2019-2020

Forest Policy Institute

- Analyzed forest policies to assess their impact on local communities and ecosystems.
- Developed position papers that shaped organizational strategies and advocacy efforts.
- Collaborated with researchers to produce data-driven insights on forest management.
- Facilitated workshops to educate stakeholders on best practices in policy development.
- Engaged with the media to raise awareness about forest livelihood issues.
- Presented findings at national conferences, enhancing the organization's visibility.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Key contributor to the development of a national forest policy adopted in 2019.
- Recipient of the National Award for Excellence in Policy Development in 2020.
- Published influential articles in leading environmental journals.