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Introducing the Canopy Jobs Board for forest and timber industry jobs in Queensland

Peak industry body Timber Queensland, in partnership with the Canopy Training and Careers Hub, today launched <u>The Canopy Jobs Board</u>, a free platform for connecting talent with opportunity in Queensland's dynamic forest and timber industry.

Timber Queensland Strategic Relations & Communications Manager Clarissa Brandt said the new jobs board is a one-stop shop for all jobs related to the local plantation and native forest industry supply chains through to end-use markets for timber products.

"Whether you're a Queensland forest grower, harvester, sawmiller, merchant, manufacturer, architect, or timber specifier—this is where you'll find the skilled professionals you need to grow your business," she said.

Mrs Brandt said the workforce development programs facilitated by the Canopy Hub including industry school tours, pre-employment and work experience programs plus participation in career expos and school events, has steadily increased the number of enquiries received by Timber Queensland regarding finding a position in the industry.

"Creating an industry specific jobs board, that's free for everyone to use, was a solution to connecting these people to local employers both large and small," said Clarissa.

"In addition, it was a high priority action identified in the 2024 Wide Bay Forest and Timber Industry Workforce Development plan developed by Timber Queensland in partnership with Jobs Queensland.

"Job seekers will be able to search for roles across all sectors from forest growing, harvest and haulage through to wood processing and secondary manufacturing, product transport, timber construction, wholesaling and merchandising and more.

"They can also post their resumes, create a profile promoting their specific attributes to employers and create job alerts when new jobs match specific search criteria such as job category and location.

"As well as advertising open roles, employers can search candidates resumes and profiles to find the best match for open positions and use screening questions and applicant tracking to zero in on candidates and keep track of who has applied to each job posting and categorise applicants by hiring status."

Mrs Brandt said Timber Queensland will be implementing a campaign to promote the jobs board to job seekers and strongly encourages Queensland employers to create an account to utilise its benefits.

"There's no cost - just <u>create an account</u> and set up a company page to get matched with the right candidate sooner."

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