AGM 2019

On April 17th, the 2019 joint ASFP/CIF Annual General Meeting was held at Coronet Hotel in Prince Albert. This year, more than 70 people, both members and non-members, attended the event. In the morning, both the CIF and the ASFP held their annual general meetings. The afternoon sessions featured presentations by Dr. Hamilton Greenwood, Kevin Murphy and Paul Martin speaking on this year’s theme: The State of Saskatchewan’s Forests. Names were drawn throughout the meeting and some lucky attendants, thanks to generous sponsors, won awesome prizes.
May 2019

CIF/ASFP Joint NEWSEM

Brad Weird receiving his RPFT certificate
Ellie Desgranges accepting an RPFT certificate on behalf of Steve Mason

Dr. Hamilton Greenwood talking about the province’s human resources
Paul Martin explaining what future capital is needed for a healthy forest industry

Members enjoying Beer and Pizza night
Thank you to our generous sponsors who helped make this an event a success
MEDIA COVERAGE

This year, the media was invited to cover the Continuing Competency portion of the AGM. This year’s topic was “The State of Saskatchewan’s Forests”. Three speakers spoke on different aspects of the topic. The first speaker, Kevin Murphy, gave an overview of the Government of Saskatchewan’s: “State of the Forest Report 2019.” Dr. Hamilton Greenwood discussed what the next generation of forest worker is going to look like. And finally, Paul Martin, described Saskatchewan’s economic picture by explaining what capital is needed into the future for a healthy forest industry.

The media present were, The Prince Albert Herald, CTV and PaNow. Below are the articles that were published about the presentation. Click the title to view the article:

- Prince Albert Herald
  - Forests healthy, but some challenges remain. [Link](http://paherald.sk.ca/2019/04/25/forests-healthy-but-some-challenges-remain/)

- CTV
  - ‘Our forests are doing well’; Ministry of Environment reports positive forest health in 10-year report [Link](https://saskatoon.ctvnews.ca/our-forests-are-doing-well-ministry-of-environment-reports-positive-forest-health-in-10-year-report-1.4384577)

- PaNow
  - Provincial government releases report on forests [Link](https://panow.com/2019/04/17/provincial-government-releases-report-on-forests/)

MEET THE NEW PRESIDENT – BILL THIBEAULT

Bill is relatively new to Saskatchewan – four years; he is with the Ministry of Environment as an Area Forester out of Meadow Lake. Bill has a Forestry degree from Lakehead University and an MBA from Queens University. He has 20 years of experience with industry in Northern Ontario and another 20 years with industry and government in British Columbia. He is Métis and worked for Métis Nation BC for a few years before relocating to Saskatchewan.

The 2019-20 Executive Committee:

Bill Thibeault, President
Darryl Sande, Vice President
David Knight, Treasurer
Kim Clark, Secretary
Bryan Fraser, Past President
John Doucette, Registrar
ASFP LOGO ON MERCHANDISE

Do you want to show off your affiliation to the Association just like our new President Bill (see previous picture)? It's easy. Just go to North Star Trophies (Central Ave in PA) and they can affix ASFP's logo to the article of your choice. So what are you waiting for? Get an ASFP logo on your favorite items now!

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Did you know that members are welcome to attend Council Meetings as observers? If you are interested in attending a Council Meeting, please let us know by writing registrar@asfp.ca and we will provide you with the meeting details. Council Meetings are usually held on the 4th Thursday in the months of February, May, August and November. The next Council Meeting will be on August 22nd, 2019.

RESEARCH ON CLIMATE CHANGE ADAPTATION IN CANADA'S FORESTS FROM UBC

To our members:

We have received an invitation for members to participate in a survey on reforestation strategies across Canada for adaption to climate change. This survey is completely voluntary, but we thought we should pass on to you, the membership, so that you can have the opportunity to make your comments known.

Which reforestation practices should be used to adapt to climate change?

Researchers from the University of British Columbia invite forestry and conservation practitioners and scientists to share their views about reforestation strategies to adapt to climate change in Canada’s forests. The questionnaire will require approximately 15 minutes to complete. 15 prizes of $100 will be raffled. Winners will be given the choice of either donating the money to a charity of their choosing or receiving a gift card.

Follow this link to the survey
EMPLEYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

For a small charge, the ASFP distributes forestry or resource-based Job Opportunities via email to our members. In addition to this email, we are now posting job opportunities on our website. Check it out: http://asfp.ca/job-centre. If your company has a job opportunity and wants it viewed by our entire membership, contact the ASFP office at registrar@asfp.ca.

Exciting Opportunity with the Ministry of Environment

Looking for a career with purpose and passion?

Explore your future with the Ministry of Environment!

They are looking for a Provincial Silviculture Forester for their Forest Service Branch located in Prince Albert.

As the Provincial Silviculture Forester, you will lead the development, implementation and improvement of provincial standards and codes of practice for forest renewal, audit forest renewal practices of industry and government and improve confidence in predicting future forest conditions by leading investigations, trials and research of past and current forest renewal practices

For more information click the following link:

Ministry_of_Environment___Provincial_Silviculture_Forester.pdf

saskatchewan.ca/careers
Toll free 1-866-319-5999

Closing Date: June 19, 2019

Take the next step in your career at MISTIK!

You want to be a part of a growing team of professionals in a business that is shaping forest management practices in Saskatchewan and across Canada? Then apply to be a Forestry Supervisor at Mistik.

Mistik Management Ltd. (Mistik), manages all Woodland related activities for L and M Wood Products (Saskatchewan’s largest post, rail and timber manufacturer), Meadow Lake Mechanical Pulp Inc. (the first successful zero-liquid effluent mill in the world and a Paper Excellence Company, the largest producer of pulp in Canada), and NorSask Forest Products LP (largest 100% owned and operated First Nation sawmill in Canada).

The Forestry Supervisor will work closely with contractors, stakeholders and the Ministry of Environment to implement Mistik Management Ltd.’s Safety, Certification, Production and Quality programs on Mistik timberland assets in northwest Saskatchewan
Click the link below to find out more!

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This position will remain open until June 7/2019 or until a suitable candidate is recruited.

Exciting CAREER OPPORTUNITY with MISTIK

Here is an exciting CAREER OPPORTUNITY with Mistik!

They are looking for an Operations Forester.

Reporting to the Operations Manager in Meadow Lake, Saskatchewan, in this exciting new role you will develop harvest plans and obtain approval for 150,000 m3 annually on the L and M FMA. You will also work closely with contractors, stakeholders and the Ministry of Environment to implement Mistik Management Ltd.'s Safety, Certification, Production and Quality programs on Mistik timberland assets in Saskatchewan.

You can find the full job posting in the link below:

Mistik_--Operations_Forester.pdf

Submit your Resume and Cover Letter to: Georgina.Umpherville@Mistik.ca

This position will remain open until June 7/2019 or until a suitable candidate is recruited.

CONTINUING EDUCATION, WORKSHOPS, PRESENTATIONS, EVENTS

CIF E-Lectures – What’s scheduled in the next few weeks? Missed a Lecture?
Just visit https://www.cif-ifc.org/e-lectures/
Please note that previous CIF e-lectures are only available to CIF members.
FORESTRY ARTICLES

Here are some forestry articles that may interest you. Click on the title to access the full article.

- Storm uncovers 4,500-year-old prehistoric forest in Wales
- Forest fire fighters from Northwest deployed to assist in Alberta
- B.C. enlists cattle to help fight wildfires
- Ontario cancels program that aimed to plant 50 million trees
- Government funds Indigenous forest-industry growth
- Sawmill profit margins fall

You can also click on the title below to access ADDITIONAL NEWSLETTERS

- Insights
- Sustainable Forest Initiative
- The Working Forest
- Northern Notes NEW Edition!

Fire in the Watershed: CFS researcher Kendrick Brown leads a study supported by the Capital Regional District (CRD) of Victoria, BC. The aim of the research is to better understand the short-term effects of fire within the watershed, both on the land and in the water, as well as recovery of the area after a fire occurs.

Multi-Sensor Remote Sensing for Large-Area Forest Inventory: CFS researcher Guillermo Castilla leads a project using Multi-source Vegetation Inventory (MVI) to identify burned areas that would be best suited for salvage logging, as well as to enhance the territorial Ecological Land Classification program and to improve suitability analyses of caribou habitat in the Northwest Territories.


LOOKING AHEAD

If you have links to fascinating articles or videos or information about a job opportunity or continuing education seminar, please email us and indicate “NEWSEM” on the subject and I will add it on the next issue.

This monthly publication provides information of interest to our members from the CIF and ASFP about upcoming workshops, meetings, field tours, continuing education opportunities, and forestry news.

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