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Happy Canada Day!



Happy Canada Day everyone. I hope you are all enjoying your summer. Stay Health and Stay Safe!

MEET YOUR COUNCIL

Kerry McIntyre

ASFP Council Member

Admissions Committee Chair Person

**Harvesting Superintendent – Tolko Industries
Prairie Woodlands**

Kerry started his career right after graduation from Keewatin Community College in 1987. Working as a Silviculture Technician in The Pas, Manitoba for Manfor Ltd, then after the Crown corporation was purchased, Repap Manitoba. Kerry moved to Prince Albert, SK in 1995, to work for Weyerhaeuser as a Silviculture Forester.

From there he worked through various roles as a Planner, Acting Team Leader, Project Forester, and Contract Administrator. When Weyerhaeuser ceased operations in the Prince Albert FMA, in 2006, Kerry moved to the Ministry Of Environment, and spent 6 years as an Integrated Land Use Planner, with the Lands Branch. He then moved back to industry, in 2012, taking a planning position with Tolko Industries in Prince Albert, before transitioning into the Harvesting Superintendent role in 2014.

Kerry lives in Prince Albert with his wife Susan and Granddaughter Aurora. He enjoys camping with family and friends, hunting (birds and big game) and fishing (though never seems to get out enough), and for the last few years has been a very active youth soccer fan/parent coach.



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2020 ASFP AGM UPDATE

We have been following the Reopening Saskatchewan guidelines from the Provincial Government with the hope of being able to have a safe face-to-face meeting before too long. At this time, that does seem unlikely to happen. Your Council will be meeting virtually within the next two weeks to come up with plan to ensure we meet our legal requirements while keep the safety of our members at the top priority.

Bill Thibeault, RPF
President

2020 CIF AGM

The CIF held their AGM on Wed June 24, 2020. With quorum achieved, the members attending approved the committee reports presented in the Annual Report and voted in some new council and executive members. The group also discussed hosting a HAMPCO, the National CIF AGM & Conference, in the next few years. The new council will be contacting CIF members in the next few months for ideas and feedback.

Your new council for the CIF Saskatchewan Section is:

Director – Sindy Nicholson
Chair – Vick Gauthier
Vice-Chair – Lorne Renouf
Councilor – Jessica Randall
Councilor – Dave Cobb
Councilor – Mike Amos
Councilor – David Stevenson
Councilor – Steve Lamb

Treasurer and Secretary positions will be appointed at the first council meeting.

Thanks to everyone who attended the AGM. Your new council looks forward to serving you over the coming months.

Visit the CIF-IFC's National AGM website for information about this year's virtual AGM - <https://www.cif-ifc.org/2020-conference-agm/>.

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RE-OPEN SASKATCHEWAN TRAINING SUBSIDY (RSTS)

On June 18, 2020, the Government of Saskatchewan launched the Re-Open Saskatchewan Training Subsidy (RSTS). The program is an employer-driven, short term training program that provides eligible employers with increased financial support to train employees.

Training must help the employer adjust to the impacts of the pandemic and safely align business activities with the re-opening phases of Saskatchewan's economy.

Private employers can access up to \$10,000 to provide existing employees with training that addresses increased health and safety requirements or adoption of innovative practices that align with social distancing protocols. Applicants must demonstrate that the requested training supports the safe re-opening of the service or business. The application deadline is July 31, 2020.

Detailed program information can be found online at www.saskatchewan.ca/training-subsidy. Please share this information with your association members.

If you have any questions about the program or would like further information, please contact:

Ministry of Immigration and Career Training,
Skills Training Branch, Canada-Saskatchewan Job Grant Unit
cansaskjobgrant@gov.sk.ca
Regina and Area: (306) 964-1005
Saskatoon and area: (306) 787-4677

As always, if you have any other questions about developing, recruiting and retaining labour don't hesitate to contact our Employer Services team at 306-787-7428 or employerservices@gov.sk.ca.

Thank-you,

Chad Vickers
Director, Employer Services
Ministry of Immigration and Career Training

EMPLOYMENT 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.

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CONTINUING EDUCATION, WORKSHOPS, PRESENTATIONS, EVENTS

UNIVERSITY OF VICTORIA PROFESSIONAL SPECIALIZATION CERTIFICATE IN ECOLOGICAL RESTORATION

This four course professional certificate provides advanced training for those working in landscape architecture, landscape design and management, forestry, agrology, biology, mining, ecological restoration, and environmental practice.

The ER program is offered **online** so you can meet your annual professional development requirements on your own schedule. Sign up for one course or the entire certificate!

<http://continuingstudies.uvic.ca/science-and-ecological-restoration/programs/ecological-restoration-professional-specialization-certificate>

Upcoming ER Program courses:

ER 504: Invasive Species and Novel Ecosystems

Dates: January 4 to April 10 2020; tuition \$750; online delivery

To register for a course or apply for the program, use the online application form which can be found at: <http://continuingstudies.uvic.ca/science-and-ecological-restoration/programs/ecological-restoration-professional-specialization-certificate>

Or, contact the program office at ecore Restoration@uvic.ca

You might also be interested in our other programs:

RESTORATION OF NATURAL SYSTEMS CERTIFICATE (Diploma option also available)

This dynamic, interdisciplinary non-credit program provides comprehensive knowledge and skills to those interested in the rapidly emerging field of ecological restoration. By the end of this program you will be able to design and evaluate restoration projects in a broad range of subject areas, interpret technical reports, apply research methodologies, use current mapping and sampling technologies, identify and understand decisions and policies governing restoration work. **To find out more about our programs and courses contact the program office at ecore Restoration@uvic.ca or visit our webpages: <https://continuingstudies.uvic.ca/science-and-ecological-restoration/programs/ecological-restoration>**

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITY: CANADIAN WOOD FIBRE CENTRE — CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The Forest Innovation Program is accepting requests for research funding during the 2020-2021 fiscal year.

The Forest Innovation Program (FIP) supports research, development and technology transfer activities across Canada's forest sector. Together, these activities are intended to help the forest sector pursue its ongoing transformation through the development and adoption of innovative science-based solutions.

Who is eligible for funding?

- Universities, colleges, and other academic institutions
- Provinces, territorial, regional and municipal governments and their departments and agencies where applicable
- For-profit enterprises that produce forest products and that have existing forest product manufacturing facilities (for example, pulp, paper, or lumber mills) located in Canada
- For-profit enterprises that supply materials, products, or services to forest products enterprises defined above
- Not-for-profit forest sector organizations
- Not-for-profit research institutions

History of the Program

Since 2007, the Government of Canada has been supporting initiatives that foster innovation and create new market opportunities for Canada's forest sector. Renamed in 2012, the Forest Innovation Program (FIP) began as the Transformative Technologies program and grew to include initiatives such as the Canadian Wood Fibre Centre (CWFC).

Today, the Transformative Technologies program is a part of the FIP with research is carried out by FPIInnovations, Canada's not-for-profit forest research institute.

The CWFC collaborates with FPIInnovations and other key stakeholders to strengthen the visibility of the Canadian Forest Service by aligning federal research and deployment expertise with identified, innovation-oriented needs of the forest sector.

In June 2017, the Government of Canada expanded the FIP with \$63 million in funding over three years (2017 – 2020) from the Softwood Lumber Action Plan.

Deadline for submissions: Tuesday, July 14, 2020, 11:59 p.m. PDT.

Find out who is eligible and download a PDF of the application guide from the Canadian Forest Service publications catalogue.

Contact the Canadian Wood Fibre Centre (CWFC) for an application form. Receipt of your request for financial support to be sent by July 21, 2020.

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SFI and PLT Canada Offering Webinars on Key Sustainability Issues

SFI and PLT Canada are offering numerous engaging and informative virtual events in the coming months. SFI's webinars include Conservation Impact Sounding Board E-Workshops, as well as webinars focusing on the SFI standard revision process on topics including climate change, biodiversity, Indigenous perspectives, and urban forestry. PLT Canada is hosting webinars that focus on diversity and inclusion in green jobs, broadening your talent pool with diversity and creating an inclusive workforce.

Each of these virtual events are open to all attendees. More details and instructions for registration are below.

PLT CANADA MAKE BETTER HIRING DECISIONS WHEN STAFFING YOUR GREEN JOB

July 8, 2020:

11:00 – 11:45 AM EDT

Join us in this webinar as we explore how to design a recruitment strategy that reaches the right candidates, removes barriers to belonging, and motivates a diverse talent pool to apply.

PLT CANADA CREATE AN INCLUSIVE CULTURE FOR YOUR GREEN WORKPLACE

August 12, 2020:

11:00 – 11:45 AM EDT

Explore how to create a culture of inclusion based on essential psychological needs, and learn how to create a welcoming environment for young workers of all backgrounds.



**BETTER CHOICES
FOR THE PLANET**



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CIF E-Lectures –

What's scheduled in the next few weeks?

1. Go to the E-Lecture Catalogue <https://cif-ifc.adobeconnect.com/admin/show-event-catalog>
2. Upcoming E-Lectures will be listed under "Upcoming Events"
3. To register for a specific session(s), click the "Register" button below the session overview. For more information on a specific session(s), click the "Event Details" button.
4. After clicking the "Register" button, please enter your name and preferred email address.
5. Once registered, an email will be sent out to you providing the participation instructions.

Missed a Lecture? Go to <https://www.cif-ifc.org/open-source-electures/> to access THE CIF/IFC'S Open Access National Electronic Lecture Series. There you can find videos, presentations of previous e-lectures.

Series available include:

- Science For Emerging Issues In Forestry - Winter 2020
- "An Update On Canadian Forestry Applications Of Lidar And Digital Photogrammetry. The Aware Experience." In Collaboration With The Aware Project
- "An Early Intervention Strategy For Spruce Budworm In Atlantic Canada" In Collaboration With Healthy Forest Partnership
- "This Landbase Is Not Passive – Connecting Boreal Wetlands To Forest Management" In Collaboration With Wetland Bmp Knowledge Exchange And Ducks Unlimited Canada
- "The Canadian Forest Service Forest Science Providing Real Solutions" In Collaboration With The Canadian Forest Service
- "The Science Of Vegetation Management In Forestry" In Collaboration With Forestinfo.Ca
- "Innovative Solutions To Respond To The Challenges Of A Changing Climate 2018 Winter" In Collaboration With The Canadian Forest Service

And so much more.

Visit <https://www.cif-ifc.org/e-lectures/> for more information

Please note that previous CIF e-lectures are only available to CIF members.

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FORESTRY ARTICLES

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

-  [Infestation of 'jumping tree lice' forces city to chop down tree](#)
-  [Forest fire suppression measures can actually increase risks around communities, scientist says](#)
-  [Province to buy land from struggling forestry sector members](#)
-  [April Housing Starts Plunge 30%; Is the Bottom Within Sight?](#)
-  [Canada's housing markets will begin to recover by mid-2021 - CMHC reports](#)
-  [Most softwood lumber prices moderate while plywood prices' surge](#)
-  [Northern Pulp receives initial order for voluntary credit protection](#)
-  [Canada's housing starts see continued regional impacts in May](#)
-  [Canada's forestry leaders foster recovery](#)
-  [Investing in Wildland Fire Research to Protect Canadians](#)
-  [COVID-19 has not stopped global trade of forest products](#)

You can also click below to access **ADDITIONAL NEWSLETTERS**

-  Insights
-  Northern Notes
-  Sustainable Forest Initiative
-  The Working Forest
 - New Digital Copy now available <https://online.fliphtml5.com/orviy/seaa/#p=1>

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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