



CIF-IFC National Forest Week 2018 Focuses on Canada's Research Forests

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September 26, 2018, Mattawa, ON – The Canadian Institute of Forestry/Institut forestier du Canada (CIF-IFC) is inviting all Canadians from coast to coast to celebrate National Forest Week (September 23-29 2018).

“Every year, National Forest Week is sponsored by many individuals and organizations, from diverse backgrounds across Canada,” mentioned Dana Collins, Executive Director, CIF-IFC. “It is a nation-wide campaign that fosters appreciation of Canada’s forest heritage and promotes awareness of this important renewable resource.” National Tree Day is also celebrated during National Forest Week, and takes place today on September 26th.

This year’s theme is “Research Forests: Canada’s Living Laboratories” which highlights research forests across Canada as important places to learn, teach, experiment and explore. 2018 marks the 100th anniversary of the Petawawa Research Forest – the oldest research forest in Canada and named the Forest Capital of Canada for 2017-2019.

“Over time, important forest research has taken place at these living laboratories helping grow our knowledge of climate change, biodiversity and forest management. This research will help maintain healthy, vibrant and productive forests across the country and build a greener future,” explains Collins.

There are many ways that Canadians can participate in National Forest Week including: organizing a tree plant, exploring a forest near their home, or by touring a forest sector industry and learning about sustainable forest management.

Visit the CIF-IFC website (www.cif-ifc.org) and the National Forest Week calendar (<http://canadianforestry.com/wp/calendar/>) to find out where National Forest Week events are taking place across Canada.

Formed in 1908, the CIF-IFC is the national voice of forest practitioners and many others with a professional interest in forestry. The Institute’s 19 national sections and 1 international section strive to provide national leadership in forestry, promote competence among forestry professionals, and foster public awareness of Canadian and international forestry issues.

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