



**Canadian Institute of Forestry Presents Canadian Forest Management Group Achievement Award to fRI Research – Grizzly Bear Program of Alberta**

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**Mattawa, ON – Thursday, October 7, 2021** – The Canadian Institute of Forestry/Institut forestier du Canada (CIF-IFC) is pleased to announce the fRI Research - Grizzly Bear Program of Alberta as the 2021 recipient of the Canadian Forest Management Group Achievement Award. The Award was presented at the 2021 CIF-IFC Annual National Awards Ceremony held virtually on October 6, 2021.

“The Canadian Forest Management Group Achievement Award was established in 1998, and exists to recognize outstanding achievements by teams or groups of natural resource managers, researchers, or non-government-organizations in the field of forest resource related activity in Canada,” mentioned Mark Pearson, Executive Director, CIF-IFC.

Created in 1998, the fRI Research Grizzly Bear Program was established to provide knowledge and planning tools to land and resource managers to ensure the long-term conservation of grizzly bears in Alberta. Key to its efforts are sound scientific field research, practical results, and a large-scale approach toward conservation.

Through their work, fRI has new models to identify where grizzly bears are most likely to be located, new models that identify grizzly bear movement, and new techniques to monitor and assess grizzly bear health. In addition, they have also developed new procedures and techniques for the capture and handling of grizzly bears for research and management purposes.

Formed in 1908, the CIF-IFC is the national voice of forest practitioners and many others with an interest in forestry and forests. The Institute strives to provide national leadership, promote competence, and foster public awareness of Canadian and international forestry/forest issues. To learn more about the CIF-IFC National Awards Program, visit: [www.cif-ifc.org/national-awards](http://www.cif-ifc.org/national-awards)

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