



Canadian Institute of Forestry Presents James M. Kitz Award to Malcolm Cockwell of Haliburton, Ontario

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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 Malcolm Cockwell, RPF of Haliburton, Ontario as the 2021 recipient of the James M. Kitz Award. The Award was presented at the 2021 CIF-IFC Annual National Awards Ceremony held virtually on October 6, 2021.

This Award is named after James M. Kitz, who was a member of the Institute and the Alberta Registered Professional Foresters Association. Jim made several outstanding contributions to forestry early in his career, but suffered a sudden and untimely death at age 36.

“This Award recognizes the contributions made by Jim, both professionally and personally,” noted Mark Pearson, Executive Director, CIF-IFC, “it is awarded to those who exemplify Jim’s approach to all aspects of life while making an outstanding contribution to forestry early in their career.”

Malcolm is the Managing Director of Haliburton Forest, a multi-use private land stewardship company responsible for more than 100,000 acres in Central Ontario. Malcolm oversees its integrated Forest Products division, which includes three hardwood sawmills and its diverse Tourism & Recreation division. He is active in the forest community as both a Registered Professional Forester (RPF) and also representing Haliburton Forest at the Ontario Forest Industries Association. Malcolm also serves as the Chairman of Acadian Timber Corp., the President of Forests Ontario, and the Chairman of the Registration Committee of the Ontario Professional Foresters Association. He holds a B.Sc. in Forest Conservation from the University of Toronto, and he is a PhD candidate at the same institution’s Faculty of Forestry.

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

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