



Canadian Institute of Forestry Presents Section of the Year Award to the Northwestern Ontario Section

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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 Northwestern Ontario Section as the recipient of the 2021 Section of the Year Award. The Award was presented at the 2021 CIF-IFC Annual National Awards Ceremony held virtually on October 6, 2021.

The CIF-IFC is very much a grass-roots organization with a national network of 19 Sections spanning from Newfoundland up to the Klondike. “Our Sections are truly the foundation and strength of our organization, giving us a strong local, regional, and provincial network and presence,” explained Mark Pearson, Executive Director, CIF-IFC. “The Section of the Year Award recognizes outstanding activity, involvement and support of the Institute as a whole.”

The CIF-IFC Northwestern Ontario Section is very deserving of this honour for 2021. Despite the limitations presented by the COVID-19 pandemic, the Section still made significant efforts to engage individuals by hosting virtual events and organizing tree plants. The Section was also involved in setting up an outdoor classroom with tree stumps for a local school during National Forest Week 2020. Through these initiatives, the Section brought CIF-IFC members and non-members together, promoting the awareness of the Institute and its mission.

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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