



**Canadian Institute of Forestry Presents Canadian Forestry Scientific Achievement Award to Dr. Nicholas Charles Coops of Vancouver, BC**

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**Mattawa, ON – Wednesday, September 14, 2022** – The Canadian Institute of Forestry/Institut forestier du Canada (CIF-IFC) is pleased to announce Dr. Nicholas Charles Coops of Vancouver, BC as the 2022 recipient of the Canadian Forestry Scientific Achievement Award. The Award was presented at the 2022 CIF-IFC Annual National Awards Ceremony on September 12, 2022 at the Delta Hotels by Marriott Sault Ste. Marie Waterfront in Sault Ste. Marie, ON.

This Award recognizes individuals who have made innovative and outstanding achievements in forestry research in Canada. Recognition can be for developing new practices, processes, or techniques, or for demonstrating the practical applications of research in forestry.

“The objective of the Award is to encourage innovation, exploration, application, and excellence in forest research,” noted Mark Pearson, Executive Director, CIF-IFC. “Dr. Coops is very deserving of this prestigious Award.”

Nicholas Coops is a Professor at the University of British Columbia (UBC) and a Canada Research Chair (Tier 1) in remote sensing. Nicholas runs the Integrated Remote Sensing Studio (IRSS) within the Faculty of Forestry at UBC, a research lab investigating and demonstrating applications of remote sensing data to forest production and conservation challenges. He has published over 420 peer-reviewed journal papers and was the editor-in-chief of the Canadian Journal of Remote Sensing for a decade. Nicholas has supervised over 40 masters and PHD students many of whom work in the forestry sector in Canada today. Nicholas has collaborated with many forest companies, government departments and organisations over his career including on the innovative use of LiDAR and laser scanning technologies for the forest industry in Canada. He is honoured to receive this award, and thanks his students, collaborators and the CIF-IFC for their recognition.

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: [cif-ifc.org/what-we-do/national-awards](https://cif-ifc.org/what-we-do/national-awards)

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