



Canadian Institute of Forestry Presents James M. Kitz Award to Nicholas Dormaar of Prince George, BC

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Mattawa, ON – Wednesday, September 27, 2023 – The Canadian Institute of Forestry/Institut forestier du Canada (CIF-IFC) is pleased to announce Nicholas Dormaar of Prince George, British Columbia (BC) and the CIF-IFC Cariboo Section as the 2023 recipient of the James M. Kitz Award. The Award was presented at the 2023 CIF-IFC Annual National Awards Ceremony on September 25, 2023 at the Vancouver Island Conference Centre in Nanaimo, BC.

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, CIF-IFC Executive Director. “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, and Nick has done just that.”

Nick Dormaar has been involved with the Canadian Institute of Forestry for many years. His work has included Chairing the Cariboo Section as well as the 2021 Conference Planning committee. He has been involved with many National and local committees over the years, and in 2017 Nick started the Prince George International Forest and Ecology Film Festival and Photo Exhibition. During his time at the University of Northern British Columbia, Nick helped bring 130 Forestry Students from around the world to tour the forests of BC with the International Forestry Student Association. Nick is the Prince George Divisional Manager as well as the Manager of Major Projects and New Business with KDL Resource Management. He works closely with First Nations throughout BC and Northwest Territories, ensuring their economic objectives and values are represented in forest management practices.

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/national-awards

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