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CIF-IFC Annual General Meeting & Conference
September 26-29, 2010
Jasper, Alberta

The Rocky Mountain Section host committee proudly presents *Regional Land Use Planning in a Global Economy*, the 102nd annual general meeting and conference of the Canadian Institute of Forestry. A tremendous amount of work has gone into our planning, and we're sure you'll be thrilled with what we've got in store for you.

First and foremost, we're hosting in one of the most beautiful natural locations anywhere – Jasper, Alberta, in the heart of Canada's Rocky Mountains. Jasper National Park is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, and the minute you arrive you will be immersed in some of the country's finest mountain vistas, wildlife sightings, unique ecosystems and recreational opportunities.

Fittingly, Jasper National Park also reminds us of the landscape heritage we stand to lose, and of our collective responsibility to plan and implement wise land-use decisions. Competing landscape values and the pressure of world global economic forces shape local and regional economies, along with an increase in public awareness and expectations related to land and resource management.

We've put together a very robust conference program, designed to inspire and challenge as we develop policies and look to achieve sustainability. We'll look at global drivers influencing change, featuring Lori Wayburn, President and

Co-CEO of the Pacific Forest Trust, and at how to create certainty when values and land-use policies collide with Trails Consultant Tom Crimmins. We'll also feature presentations on inventory research, new technologies and a variety of case studies, including comments from Dr. Guy Swinnerton from the University of Alberta and Morris Seiferling, Stewardship Commissioner for Alberta's Land Use Secretariat.

Beyond our roster of world-class experts and presenters we've planned two field tours to see how resource management on a busy landscape works in the real world, whether in the national park or adjacent forest management areas.

Jasper offers the trip of a lifetime, so don't come alone. We have prepared a spectacular companion program offering recreational and sight-seeing opportunities tailored to everyone's interests. The 2010 AGM and Conference will also feature our annual Student Quiz Bowl, and a celebration of the 200th anniversary of explorer David Thompson's first trek through the Rocky Mountains while surveying the length of the Columbia River.

Bookmark our website www.cif2010jasper.ca and check back often, as our program, speaker list and other information will be updated as details are finalized. This year's CIF AGM & Conference will be one of the best ever - the only thing that could possibly make it better is your attendance!

CIF/IFC President's Welcome

As President of the Canadian Institute of Forestry/Institut forestier du Canada I am delighted to add my voice to the invitation to join us for our national AGM and Conference in Jasper this September.

With increasing attention being paid to land use planning world-wide, I am delighted to announce that our 102nd Annual General Meeting and Conference will devote its attention to this topic.

The event, titled Regional Land Use Planning in the Global Economy, will be hosted in Jasper National Park, Alberta which provides a beautiful natural setting and an interesting historical context to discuss this important topic.

The organizing committee of the Rocky Mountain Section has developed a dynamic program comprised of leading regional, national and international speakers and field tours illustrating land use planning challenges and solutions. As in many other jurisdictions, Alberta faces increasing challenges with respect to land use and planning. Competing resource values and objectives against a backdrop of the global economy set the stage for innovative approaches to secure a vibrant and sustainable future for all.

This conference will, without a doubt, uphold the tradition of the Canadian Institute of Forestry in providing a program that is universally relevant, essential to our collective understanding and entertaining. Moreover, the companion program will provide unique opportunities to meet new friends while experiencing Jasper Park's natural setting, culture and local history. Activities and events are being planned that simply should not be missed.

I am excited about the 2010 AGM and Conference and look forward to seeing you there.

Anne LeBrun Ruff
President
Canadian Institute of Forestry

The 2010 CIF/IFC AGM & Conference wouldn't be possible without the hard work of the Rocky Mountain Section Host Organizing and Planning Committee:

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Keynote Speaker Mr. Geraint Richards

Duchy Woodland Estate Manager for the Prince of Wales



Many of the issues facing Canada's forestry sector are not unique to us – these are the same factors and issues affecting the industry worldwide, and as such, we need to look at a worldwide perspective as the future of our industry lies in innovation and collaboration.

The 2010 CIF AGM & Conference Organizing Committee is proud to present our keynote speaker, Mr. Geraint Richards, forester and Duchy Woodland Estate Manager for the Prince of Wales. Mr. Richards comes to us in Jasper, speaking to the forestry challenges facing the 571-square-kilometre Duchy and how lessons learned at the local level can be applied to global land management questions.

In his role as both a forester and Duchy Woodland Estate Manager, Mr. Richards focuses on the progressive management of woodland, indicating the process produces enormous benefits as the world turns to alternative uses for conventional timber products.

"There (is) opportunity for high quality timber to replace concrete and steel in construction," says Mr. Richards, noting construction timber usage as an emerging market for foresters worldwide.

Greater-use wood as a biofuel, either in chip, pellet or log form, is also important.

"It is an incredibly important time for timber to come to the forefront," says Mr. Richards. "I think we are missing a trick, regionally and nationally, if we don't recognise the value of these woodlands."

Mr. Richards' love for all things woodlands and forests was inspired by the famous Chiltern Beechwoods, where he grew up. In 1988 he went to study at university in Bangor, North graduating with a First Class Honours Degree in Forestry. In 1996 he started work with the Duchy and now has overall responsibility for the management of the Duchy's woodlands, which extend from the Isles of Scilly to Herefordshire, and amount to some 4,500 acres (1,825 hectares).

During his tenure, Mr. Richards took the Duchy's woods into FSC certification and adopted a continuous cover/close-to-nature approach to management. He has been involved with all sorts of organisations and initiatives to do with trees, woodlands and forests and more especially, issues close to His Royal Highness' heart – such as high-quality silviculture, utilising and 'adding-value' to home-grown timber, and education/training.

Exploring Our Real World – Field Tours and Beyond

Part of what makes the 2010 CIF AGM & Conference so special is the inclusion of two field tours exploring different aspects of forest management.

“Our experience at the Foothills Research Institute shows that whether you are the manager of a World Heritage park or an historic industrial forest, you face many of the same land management issues and challenges involving multiple and sometimes conflicting demands on the landscape,” says Bob Udell, who helped prepare the two field tours planned for the 2010 edition. “The two tours we offer are designed to show how managers are addressing such challenges on two such landscapes in Western Alberta, and the impact it is having on improving best practices in the field now and into the future.”

The first tour, *Dimensions of Forest Management on a Headwaters Landscape*, will examine the antecedents, current challenges and adaptive management strategies in the foothills adjacent to the front ranges of the Rocky Mountains. We’ll be checking out real world challenges and the contribution of applied research to industrial forest management, coal mining and reclamation, wildlife management, water and fisheries conservation.

The second field tour *Dimensions of Forest Management in a World Heritage Site Protected Area* will focus on the challenges of integrated resource management and the maintenance of ecological integrity in Jasper National Park. On the tour, park managers will explain the role of research as it shapes their adaptive forest management programs and practice.

The tour will also feature historical highlights of the Park including a visit to an early Metis homestead; and a discussion of current vegetation management practices inherent in the Firesmart/Forestwise program of the park.

“Maintaining the ecological integrity of the landscape approaches in Jasper National Park is critical,” says Udell. “We’re committed to providing two million visitors a year with a great experience, and demonstrating how we do that will give everyone something to think about and learn from.”



2010 Companion Program

As we’re nestled in one of Canada’s most beautiful natural locales, why not turn your time at the 2010 CIF AGM & Conference into a getaway for everyone? Part of the planning process for this year’s CIF AGM & Conference has been the development of a spectacular companion program, including a variety of hands-on and outdoor activities sure to please everyone.

“Taking advantage of the uniqueness, the majestic beauty of Jasper and sharing that with the rest of Canada was very important to us during our planning process,” says Marty O’Byrne, Social and Companion Program lead for the conference. “Jasper and the Rocky Mountains provide such a special surrounding to our conference, and we wanted to give as many people as possible opportunities in our wonderful natural setting.”

From a scenic hike (including a nature photography lesson) to a water colour class, from dried flower arranging to discussion about the natural rhythms and cycles of the alpine region, and a cultural tour of the Jasper town site, there’s a wonderful variety of opportunities and options to enjoy both the scenery and company at the 2010 CIF AGM and Conference.



2010 CIF/IFC Student Quiz Bowl

The Student Quiz Bowl has become a fixture at the CIF AGM & Conference, and is always a highlight of our annual Canadian Institute of Forestry get-togethers.

Pitting many of the best and brightest forestry sector up-and-comers against their knowledge of current forestry best-practices and resource issues, the Student Quiz Bowl challenges school teams to think on their feet and face many of the same real world issues awaiting on the other side of academia. Applauded by both students and

the forestry industry’s seasoned professionals, is a highlight of the Canadian Institute of Forestry AGM and Conference as the bowl showcases the innovation and opportunity inherent in the forestry world.

Many of the student participants in the CIF Student Quiz Bowl then go on to showcase their talent and knowledge at Society of American Foresters events, where our schools go head-to-head with their American counterparts.

This year, the Student Quiz Bowl will be held Sunday, September 26 in the Fairmont Jasper

Park Lodge’s Beauvert Room beginning at 7:30 p.m., with a post-Student Quiz Bowl Welcome and Reception to follow.

Are you up for the challenge? Can anyone knock the defending champs from the University of Alberta off of their throne? Register your team by visiting the 2010 CIF AGM & Conference website at www.cif2010jasper.ca, or call our 2010 Student Quiz Bowl guru Alex Drummond directly at 780-492-2056.

Your Journey to Jasper

We've made registering for the 2010 CIF AGM & Conference easier than ever, offering you four different ways to register and pay for your conference registration. And we realize that while everyone would love to spend three fantastic days in the Rocky Mountains, sometimes schedules don't allow that much time away so you can customize your conference experience to best fit your schedule.

We offer one, two or whole conference registration packages, along with ancillary meeting options, and we have various meal options for each registrant so you can customize your time at the 2010 CIF AGM & Conference to your heart's content.

For your convenience, we've also made arrangements to have twice-daily shuttles departing to and from Jasper (and back and forth from Edmonton), including to and from the Edmonton International Airport.

Our conference also features special rates for you early-birds – register prior to August 1 and

you could save up to \$50 off of your conference fees (conference fees operate on a sliding scale, from CIF member, to non-member, to retiree to student). With all we've got planned and the beautiful setting we're planning to do it in, the 2010 CIF AGM & Conference is shaping up to be one the best yet.

But we can't take all of the credit – the organizing committee has worked very hard to make sure the 2010 conference is world class, but our host hotel will play a large part in what you can expect in Jasper.

The 2010 CIF AGM & Conference is being held at The Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge, one of the Rocky Mountains' premier vacation destinations. Nestled in between captivating mountains and sparkling lakes and situated in the magnificent Canadian Rockies in a UNESCO World Heritage Site, The Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge resort invites you to experience their unique luxury accommodations, sure to invoke memories that will last a lifetime.

With a plethora of wildlife awaiting you just

outside your cabin door, this Rocky Mountain property promises an abundance of outdoor adventure opportunities which includes unrivalled skiing, Canada's #1 Golf Resort Course (as rated by the readers of SCOREGolf Magazine), canoeing, kayaking, snow shoeing, cross country skiing and so much more. The Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge promises all hotel guests an experience in The Canadian Rockies they won't soon forget.

For reservation information, please call The Fairmont Jasper Park Lodge at 1-800-257-7544. A discounted rate is available to 2010 CIF AGM & Conference attendees by quoting the discount code "GFIC".

We can't wait to see you in Jasper!



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How to Register

To register, for information, program details and the latest news on the 2010 CIF AGM & Conference, please visit our website at www.CIF2010Jasper.com.

Four ways to pay



On-Line – go to www.cif2010jasper.ca, click on registration and follow the instructions



By Fax – go to www.cif2010jasper.ca, download the registration form, and return fax it to **704-744-1716**



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