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#### **Award**

Every year many of the regional Forest Products Marketing Boards give out awards for exceptional forestry management by owners, contractors, producers, or even organizations.

The North Shore Forest Products Marketing Board recently presented Delphis Haché with their 2023 Woodlot Owner of the Year Award! Congratulations Delphis!

Pictured left to right: Patrick Doucet, General Manager for NSFPMB and Delphis Haché.



## Annual General Meeting notes — correction

In last month's newsletter, we inadvertently left out the name of one our esteemed panelists! Paul Orser (third from the left below). We apologise for this oversight.

Pictured below from left to right are: Chris Norfolk, Michel Soucy, **Paul Orser**, Ron Smith, Solange Nadeau, and Tom Beckley,





## A Message from the Executive Director

The last month has seen the completion of an application to the Climate Change Adaptation Program. We are looking to expand on the work we have done under the federal BRACE program with the creation of additional demonstration sites to showcase the differences in managing a forest using treatments based on the climate adaptive silviculture prescription tool vs doing nothing vs managing a forest utilizing traditional silviculture treatment. We would also update the case studies on the sites already established. We would also want to expand the sites to Prince Edward Island and Nova Scotia and host a conference and field days to enable everyone to become more familiar with the latest forest related climate research. This project would run from January 2024 to December 2026.

We have also begun the process of preparing for FSC (Forest Stewardship Council) certification. This work will be done under the Nature Smart Climate Solutions funding from Environment and Climate Change Canada. This work is being completed again in conjunction with Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The Federation has agreed to be the lead organization for carbon projects in New Brunswick and are working with Eastern Forest Solutions on this.

The effort to move the <u>private woodlot structure document</u> discussed at the Annual General Meeting forward has continued.

I will be in Ottawa next week to lobby for the inclusion of the **Personal Silviculture Saving and Investment Plan** into the March 2024 budget. Such a program would help woodlot owners to realize lower tax rates on harvest revenues.

We are once again looking for a membership development manager. Logan has decided that the position was not for him. If you know of someone who you think would be a good fit for this position, please ask them to reach out to us. We are looking to fill the position early in the new year.



Photo by Nicole & Renaud Laforge

The crisp fall air is filled with colour at the moment. With all of the current turmoil in the world, I hope you are able to take the time to look around and enjoy the season of reds, oranges and yellows.

#### Respectfully submitted,

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#### What's New?

A round up of news from our website, other organizations and upcoming events

The NBFWO office will be closed on Monday, November 13th in recognition of Remembrance Day on November 11th.

The video recording of the **Woodlot Income Tax and Estate Planning** webinar held on October 11th is now available for viewing. Please note that there is a fee to view this video for anyone that did not register for it. Members receive a discount, so be sure to login to the website to be able to access the member pricing. **Click here for more details and to view the video**.

The Maritime College of Forest Technology (MCFT) in Fredericton will be holding a **Certified Basic Chainsaw Safety**, **Operation & Maintenance workshop October 31—November 2**. <u>Check the Calendar on the website</u> for details on this event and more educational opportunities coming up.

Did you know that the <u>Ads Board</u> on the Federation website is **FREE for members** to post their ads? Have an item to sell? Looking for something specific? Own a business and want to advertise? Have a community announcement you want to share? Everyone can view the Ads Board, so post your ad and reach a wider audience!

The NB Invasive Species Council will be holding **Empowering Action: The 2nd New Brunswick Invasive Species Summit** In Moncton, **November 1 –2**. <u>Click here for details</u>.

FSC will be holding a webinar regarding their **new Small-scale**, **Low-Intensity and Community Forests Standard**, October 22 (French) and **October 23 (English)** Click here for details.

**CWF** is looking for the **2023 Atlantic Outstanding Forestry Contractor of the Year.** Nomination deadline is November 17th. Click here for details.

Fundy Model Forest event: "Harvesting Decision Making & Managing Watercourse / Wetland Buffers" happening November 4th. Click here for details.

Keep an eye on the <u>News</u>, <u>Ads Board</u>, and <u>Calendar of Events</u> on the website for additional events and details.

## Private Forests Contribute 37,500 Jobs and \$13.9 Billion in Revenue to the Canadian Economy

Ottawa, ON, October 19, 2023, CFO

The Profile of Canada's private forests and their economic contribution, recently published by Canadian Forest Owners (CFO), reveals that silviculture and wood manufacturing activities from private forests created 37,500 jobs and generated \$13.9 billion in revenue coast to coast in 2020.

These jobs are held by forestry professionals and technicians working alongside woodlot owners, silvicultural workers, as well as workers employed in mills to manufacture timber harvested by any of the 450,000 forest owners in Canada. Excluding wood manufacturing, this sector's activities alone generated a total of \$2.3 billion in revenue and over 10,000 jobs.

For Canadian Forest Owners Chair Susannah Banks, this economic study demonstrates the importance of private forests to thousands of families living in rural areas across Canada, underpin ing the commitment of private forest owners to long-term, resilient forests and a healthy climate.

"Private forests provide 37,500 Canadians with a good income and jobs in rural areas and make a significant contribution to the economy of our country. This number is even

higher if we also include owners who carry out numerous silvicultural activities that were not included in this study," notes Banks.

Almost half of these jobs depend on activities arising from Quebec's private forests because of the province's strong manufacturing sector. In Canada, most of the jobs in wood product manufacturing, forestry and harvesting are in British-Columbia and Quebec while jobs in paper manufacturing are clustered in Quebec and Ontario. It follows that Quebec is also the leader in revenue generated from private forest lands contributing \$5,322 billion, followed by British Columbia which generated \$3,285 billion in 2020.

Sustainable forest management, carried out by small and large Canadian forest owners, ensures the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of hundreds of rural communities across Canada.

"Canadian forest owners are responsible for 20 percent of the country's forest production, yet they own only about a tenth of Canada's forests. Canadian Forest Owners continue to invite all levels of government to work more closely with forest owners to improve the development of private forests and, by extension, the production conditions for our forest products," added Domenico lannidinardo, Vice-Chair, Canadian Forest Owners.

The full report Profile of Canada's private forests and their economic contribution is available at <a href="https://www.forestowners.ca">www.forestowners.ca</a>.

#### **Blog writers wanted**

We are looking for opinion pieces to include in the NBFWO Blog. Until now the Blog has been written by the Board of Directors, and we would like to present the op-



portunity for members to share their writing skills.

If you are interested, please get in touch with <u>Susannah (ED@nbwoodlotowners.ca)</u> with the topic (s) you would like to write about.

### A really quick poll

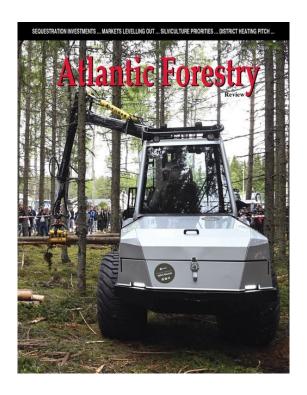
Are you interested in receiving your newsletter in the mail? Currently, the newsletter is only available electronically, however we know that some members do not have email.

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Thanks for reading Until next time!