

# Awards Criteria



## Award of Merit in Sustainable Forestry

(Award for Members and Non-Members)

### Overview & Criteria

The ABCFP Award of Merit in Sustainable Forestry recognizes an individual or group of individuals within and/or outside the membership of the Association of BC Forest Professionals who has/have made significant contributions to the advancement of sustainable forest resource management over the past one to five years.

The efforts recognized must contribute to the advancement of sustainable forest resource management in some significant respect; that is, to the appropriate balancing of the economic, social and environmental values inherent in British Columbia's forest resources. This may involve contributions in the policy, practice or educational arenas or to the advancement of public awareness and understanding of sustainable forestry.

### Eligibility

The nominee(s) must meet all of the following:

- not have been convicted of an indictable offense, and
- have generally lived and worked to ABCFP professional standards.

Deceased persons may be nominated posthumously.

### Nominations

Nominations for this award will be accepted until the stated deadline. Late nominations will not be considered. Nominations are normally accepted until early November of each year. Members will be notified of the exact deadline via the association's magazine, electronic newsletter and website. The nomination package must reflect the high caliber of the award and the person(s) being nominated. To be considered for nomination, the package must be submitted in its entirety and must include all of the following:

- Letter of nomination from one ABCFP member endorsed (i.e. signed) by five ABCFP members or non-members. The nomination letter must outline the reason(s) for the nomination. Refer to the overview and criteria section above to ensure the individual meets the standard for this award.
- A one-page statement of nomination, outlining the reason(s) for the nomination. Refer to the overview and criteria section above to ensure the individual or team of

individuals meet the standard for this award.

- Letter of nomination from one ABCFP member.
- Letters of endorsement from five ABCFP members or non-members.
- A resume or biographical sketch of the nominee may be requested by the award determination sub-committee.

If the nominees are a group of members and/or non-members, include:

- The names and designations (if any) of all the nominees in the group

Nominators are accountable for the quality and accuracy of information contained in the nomination submission.

## **Selection Process**

Nominations from the membership will be requested in the fall of each year. Recipients are selected by council based on the above criteria. Council may issue more than one Award of Merit in Sustainable Forestry each year if nominees meet these criteria.

## **Presentation**

This award is usually presented at the President's Awards Banquet during the ABCFP annual forestry conference.