Eastern Ontario Model Forest 2019 Annual Report



Our vísion of forests for seven generation is a sustainable landscape valued by all communities

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Message From the President

I am a tree hugger. I admit it. I also admire a well managed forest; a complex of different tree species and ages coupled with wetlands and open areas. Home to all naturally occurring species of flora and fauna. My wife and I have such, at our FSC certified 40 hectares in Renfrew County. We have also sold wood to local mills thus contributing to the social and **economic** health of the area.

In our part of the world forests and wetlands have sustained people for nearly 10 thousand years starting when first nations peoples made the trek from what is now Asia, across the land bridge to what is now Alaska, and eventually peopling the whole of North and South America. The Model Forest's motto, "a forest for 7 generations" is based on one of our founders, the Mohawks of Akwesasne's environmental world view. This has helped and guided us in keeping a long focus on how we can make a difference, making progress in supporting the environment on which we all depend.

Last year I wrote about the importance of forests in combating one of the great environmental challenges that we face; that of human induced climate change. Our programs of forest certification, the Forest Health Network, and education support the critical role of forests and wetlands in providing the environmental, social, and economic benefits in a totally sustainable manner.

Now we face another human induced challenge, a pandemic such as we have not seen since the "Spanish" flu of 1918. In short order it has affected the whole world. All of us have had to change the way we do things, and many have suffered the loss of jobs and incomes. And some, their lives.

But to use a trite expression, we can "walk and chew gum at the same time". People are endlessly adaptable. We obviously need to focus on actions to protect ourselves against the virus. But we can do so while also keeping our "eye on the environmental ball". And that is what the Model Forest will continue to do, along with our partners and other valuable "players" such as the Ontario Woodlot Association, Forests Ontario, the conservation authorities, municipalities, the county forests, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry. These make up a myriad of people and organizations which make for great and powerful diversity of human effort in service to our environment. Just as diversity in forest environments make for a resilient forest, so too does diversity in people organizations, working in concert, make for effective conservation action.

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Ray Fortune Elizabeth Holmes Chris Drummond I am an optimist. We have magnificent people at the Model Forest and all its partner organizations who are devoted to effective sustainable forest management. All in service to a better environment; natural, social, and economic. We will prevail, thanks to you all.

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Tony Bull President, Eastern Ontario Model Forest

Year in Retrospect

Forest Certification

Working with dedicated private and community forest owners has always been at the heart of building an affordable, efficient, and supportive forest certification program. Our Group certification (FSC[®] C018800), received in January 2003 from the Forest Stewardship Council[®] (FSC[®]), continues 17 years later because of their commitment to the principles and practices of sustainable forest management.

Collectively, our efforts are making a difference in the growth and awareness of forest certification across Canada. The EOMF Forest Certification Program represents over 75,000 hectares of certified forests, including 13 community forest owners, 110 private forest owners, 2 commercial forest owners, 3 independent forest managers and 5 maple syrup producers. Canada ranks first in certified forests at 168+ million hectares. This represents over 38% of all certified forest in the world.

Over this time, we have partnered and worked with many private forest owners, indigenous communities, forest industry representatives, educators, government, and the public to advance sustainable forest management through certification. This diverse group of people and organizations bring together many interests and objectives in achieving forest certification for their forests. As a result, they view the value of forest certification in different ways. Here are some of the benefits we have heard from our members:

- Provides a framework for sustainable forest management that is internationally recognized,
- Provides for meaningful and respectful First Nations engagement and cultural awareness opportunities,
- Provides a ready-to-use template to guide sustainable and verifiable forest management,
- Provides for a high level of public acceptance, through third party verification,
- Provides an affordable, efficient, and supportive system to achieve forest certification,
- Provides a credible tool to implement active management, while enhancing the environmental, social, and economic benefits from the forest for the community,
- Provides a framework for market ready carbon offset initiatives,

Eastern Ontario Certification Working Group

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- Forest certification protects forest ecosystems and helps fight climate change, and
- Forest Certification helps to raise industry standards.

Each year a forest management audit is undertaken on the EOMF Forest Certification Program to verify sustainable forestry practices. The 2019 annual audit took place between December 2nd and 5th on several community forest and private forest properties throughout eastern and southern Ontario. The audit, conducted by NEPCon, evaluated the Model Forest's systems and performance against the Forest Stewardship Council[®] (FCS[®]) forest management standards and policies. For the second year running, our Group was found to be in full compliance with the FSC[®] standards. Many thanks to all our forest owners!

This year we welcomed two notable additions to our Group certificate, *Quinte Conservation* and *Kemptville Campus Woodlot*.

Quinte Conservation is the second largest community forest in Ontario at 12,145 hectares. The Quinte Conservation watershed is a 6,000 square kilometre area and includes the drainage basins of the Moira, Napanee and Salmon Rivers and all of Prince Edward County. It is home to over 117,000 people living in 18 municipalities. The forests range from small parcels to large tracts of over 1,000 acres, many with significant natural features.

The Kemptville Campus Woodlot, at 146 hectares, is an integral part of the Kemptville Campus Education and Community Centre and has received overwhelming support from the community. "We are pleased to work with the EOMF, a local organization right here on the Kemptville Campus, in achieving forest certification. This aligns well with our goals of environmental sustainability and education", said Nancy Peckford, North Grenville, Mayor. The certification of this woodlot also includes their maple syrup operation, a 1,100+ tap operation.



A celebration of the Kemptville Campus Woodlot joining the certification program took place January 17th, 2020 at the Agroforestry Centre on Bedell Road in Kemptville. Left to right: Jim Hendry, Angela Coleman, Frank Heerkens, Nancy Peckford, Bill Smirle, Doreen O'Sullivan, and Jim McManaman.

We are incredibly grateful for the guidance provided by our two Certification Working Groups (CWG), one in eastern Ontario and the other in southern Ontario. The CWG's provide an opportunity to share information, knowledge, experiences, and guidance in continuing to build a strong resilient certification program.

Membership includes Model Forest staff and Board members and representatives for private landowner groups, forest industry, community forest owners, and maple syrup producers. The meetings are also open to anyone interested in learning more about the Model Forest - Forest Certification Program.

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Southwestern Ontario Certification Working Group

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Forestry Carbon Offset Project for Community Forests

The Community Forest Carbon Offset Program continued to receive community forest interest from within our Group certificate and beyond in 2019-20. During this time, four presentations and four initial forest carbon assessments were completed. These assessments provide valuable information to the community forest owners, such as available forest carbon and market potential. Bluesource Canada, our partner in this opportunity since 2018, produces these assessments at no cost to the community forest owner.

Bluesource has been a leader in North American carbon markets since 2001, during which time the organization has developed the continent's largest portfolio of carbon credits and generated \$162 million in new revenue for landowners. Bluesource's 36 environmental, forestry, marketing, and transactional professionals represent North American's largest team devoted to turnkey carbon project development. Honed over 20 years, they offer all aspects of carbon project management, from the initial concept to revenue generation. One of the main reasons why the Model Forest partnered with Bluesource is their approach to financing the projects. Bluesource covers all upfront costs and only generates revenue upon successful sale of forest carbon offsets. The Model Forest - Bluesource Canada partnership will provide guidance to those community forests that are interested, while reducing project costs through the aggregation of multiple community forests.

In early 2019, Bruce County was our first community forest to sign up for the Program. Work on a second community forest entering the Program continued throughout 2019 and we hope to complete this process in late 2020. Our outreach to potential interested parties was assisted by a partnership with Conservation Ontario in hosting a "Carbon offset opportunities through Forest Management" webinar for conservation authorities across Ontario. The webinar provided a great opportunity, for 50+ participants, to learn about our Forest Certification and Community Forest Carbon Offset Programs and the opportunity for their organization to realize benefits from the sale of forest carbon offsets.

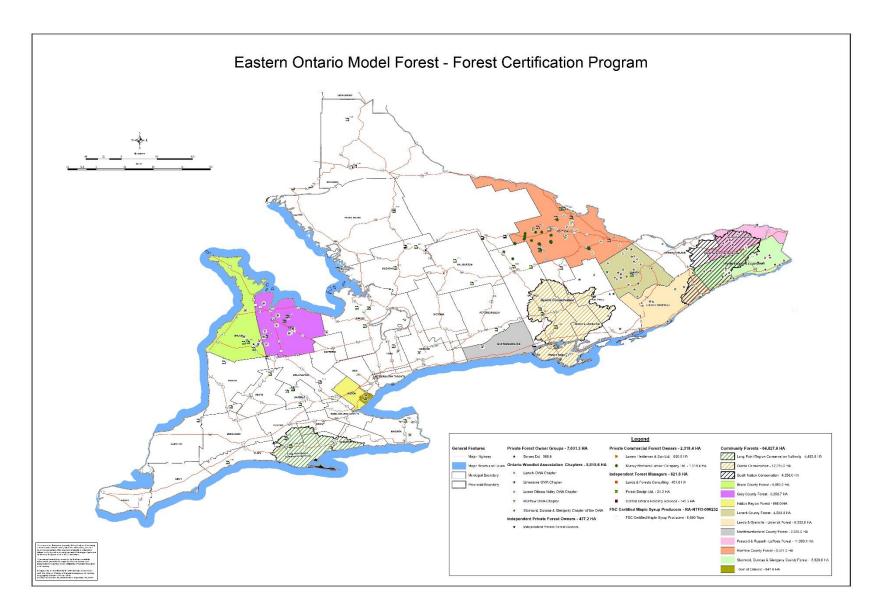


Figure 1: Map showing area certified under Eastern Ontario Model Forest Certification Program

***** Regional Forest Health Network

It is the week of May 16-23 as I write this column for this year's Annual Report. This week happens to be National Invasive Species Week, something the partners of the Forest Health Network are deeply involved with at a time when climate change is on so many minds.

In 2019 we are still dealing with the Emerald Ash Borer in urban areas and woodlots as it keeps spreading across our landscape. Forest managers are now concerned about Oak Wilt, which is on our doorstep in New York State and Beech Bark Disease which is established in our forests. Hemlock Woolly Adelgid has again reared its head in the Niagara area. And, the Maple Syrup Producers are concerned about the Asian Long-horned Beetle and the Spotted Lanternfly.

Where do we go from here??

In 2019 the Network collaborated with the Invasive Species Centre (ISC) to focus efforts on invasive species education in the east part of the province. Together, we hosted a workshop on Oak Wilt, which was well attended. At the same time, the City of Ottawa was working with Ministry of Natural Resources& Forestry to establish trial plots to detect oak wilt in oak stands within the City. With the assistance of Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA), we provided field training on detecting Asian Long-horned Beetle at our simulation site in Britannia Park, courtesy of the City of Ottawa. To address the Spotted Lanternfly, an Education and Outreach Committee was established by the ISC, of which the Network is a member. And, last but not least, the MNRF Forest Health Technician assisted in our Annual Forest Health review in November, which is always well attended by our partners.

Over the next year, we will be dealing with the same pests as we did in 2019. There are several excellent webinars south of the border delivered by Cornell University that we can take advantage of. More importantly, we are going to work closely with the Invasive Species Centre to bring programs to Eastern Ontario and reach out to the public to have more eyes on the ground for detecting these invasive species.

The Forest Health Network is on the Model Forest website with copies of extension notes on the various pests <u>www.eomf.on.ca</u>

Jim McCready R.P.F. Chair of Regional Forest Health Network

Members of the Regional Forest Health Network

Agence regionale de mise en valeur des privees outaouaises

Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada (Arboretum)

Canada Food Inspection Agency

Canadian Forest Service (SS Marie, Ottawa)

City of Cornwall

City of Gatineau

City of Kingston

City of Ottawa

Conservation Authorities (5-Eastern Region)

Cornell University, NY

County of Renfrew

Ministry of Natural Resources & Forestry (Kemptville & Pembroke Districts, Southern Region)

National Capital Commission

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Ontario Invasive Plant Council

Ontario Parks

St Lawrence County, NY

St. Lawrence Islands National Park

Town of Carleton Place

Town of Smiths Falls

Tree Canada

United Counties of Leeds & Grenville

Communications

In 2019-2020, we were active on social media using Twitter and Facebook to share stories about sustainable forest management and announcing our events. Eight clips from the Forestry Documentary "Trees, Youth, our Future" were used to share positive message about various topics including careers in forestry, indigenous forestry, building with wood and the practice of professional forestry.

Partly through this new form of outreach, we saw an increase of new participants at our December Forest Seminar as well as Kemptville Woodlot Conference. The number of followers and page likes exceeded 400 in 2019 and continues to grow. During the year, the EOMF sent 60 tweets that made over 100,000 impressions, resulted in over 500 profile visits, and received over 100 mentions and new followers. Please follow us at @OntModelForest.

Examples of some tweets with a high number of impressions include:

"Congrats to all graduates out there! Interested in a green job? Consider a career in Forestry! Check out our Video <u>#TreesYouthourFuture</u> to learn about all the possibilities awaiting you! <u>#womeninwood #MyGreenJob #ItTakesAForest #forestrycareers</u> <u>https://eomf.on.ca/documentary</u>"

"Happy <u>#NationalIndigenousPeoplesDay</u> to all our Indigenous friends and partners! Local Algonquin forester, Rob Craftchick, talks about the importance of <u>#cleanwater</u> and our responsibility to keep our waterways healthy in our film <u>#TreesYouthourFuture</u>. <u>https://eomf.on.ca/documentary</u>"

"For a Forester, every day is <u>#EarthDay</u>. Listen to Fred Pinto from the <u>OPFA</u> explain how Foresters manage for multiple values. To learn more about <u>#ForestStewardship</u> in Ontario, check out our film <u>#TreesYouthOurFuture #ItTakesAForest</u> <u>https://eomf.on.ca/documentary</u>"

"Grade 12 student, Aidan Holland, chooses forestry as a career path after watching our documentary <u>#TreesYouthourFuture</u>! "It's a profession where I can work, as well as conserve and manage the place that I love" Read full interview: <u>https://tinyurl.com/y4ksbxnj</u> <u>#ItTakesAForest</u>"



"Learning about forest management in LaRose Forest in <u>@SouthNationCA</u>, a member of our Certification Program. <u>#DYK</u> that LaRose is only 35 min from Ottawa and has 60 km of trails (hiking, biking, skiing, snowshoeing) and provides a supply of timber for local mills?<u>#sustainableforestry</u>"



"Working with <u>@Forests</u> <u>Ontario</u> teaching local school kids in Renfrew <u>@ExpoForest</u> how to plant trees and importance of forestry. Thanks to <u>@FFC Kemptville</u> for the seedlings!"

"Great day at the Forest Gene Conservation Association Open House learning about their <u>#Butternut</u> Recovery Program. They have successfully grafted 500 seedlings this year. <u>#FGCA</u> <u>#endangeredspecies @FFC_Kemptville</u>"

Our monthly electronic e-letter continues to provide our members, partners, supporters, and friends of the EOMF with an array of news and information on current forest topics and issues both nationally and internationally. To subscribe to the e-letter send us your contact information to modelforest@eomf.on.ca.

Provincial Parks Emerald Ash Borer Assessments

This year, the EOMF continued to assist staff in planning for Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) management at Charleston Lake Provincial Park. Staff supported the Park by setting up traps to monitor for EAB, and training park staff on how to monitor for this invasive species.

Forestry Documentary: Trees, Youth, our Future

In 2016, the EOMF partnered with Pinegrove Productions, a filming studio based out of Almonte, to develop a three-part documentary on forest stewardship in Eastern Ontario. Funding for this project was made possible through the **Ontario150 Partnership Program** and thirteen partners across the region. The project, titled *Trees, Youth, Our Future,* was completed in the spring of 2018 and tells the story of forest stewardship in eastern Ontario – yesterday, today, and tomorrow. It can be viewed on YouTube (via <u>eomf.on.ca</u>) or by contacting the EOMF for DVDs.

Through 2018 and into 2019, the EOMF invested resources into getting the message out to the public and youth about the film. We developed short snippets for viewing on social media, and developed chapters to facilitate viewing, particularly for educational institutions, that were rolled out over the year (see Communications section above). Funding for this additional outreach was provided by our partners Forest Products Association of Canada, Forests Ontario, and Grenville Community Futures Development Corporation.

Akwesasne Partnership

As a founding partner to the EOMF, the Mohawk community of Akwesasne has shaped the very essence of our governance structure and the way in which we work with partners – embracing Naturalized Knowledge Systems principles and the Great Way of Peace (respect, equity, and empowerment as key ingredients for effective and lasting partnerships). Nurturing this partnership and friendship is something the EOMF values highly and it is central to the objective of continuing to develop enduring partnerships that enable the organization to flourish in the long-term.

Since our inception in 1992, the EOMF has had an Aboriginal Representative, an appointed position, on the board. This has been filled by Henry Lickers Environmental Science Officer, Mohawk Council of Akwesasne for the last 27 years. In 2019, we were sad to see Henry go, but also excited for his new position as an appointed Commissioner to the International Joint Commission, the first indigenous commissioner of the IJC. Henry has made an invaluable contribution to the EOMF board and his teachings have become an integral part of the everyday work of the EOMF. We were happy to hear that the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne appointed a new representative for the board, the new Environmental Science Officer for the Mohawk Council of Akwesasne. We look forward to welcoming Abraham to the EOMF board!

Education & Community Outreach

Kemptville Winter Woodlot Conference

The 33rd edition of the Kemptville Winter Woodlot Conference was held on February 21st, 2020 at the North Grenville Municipal Complex. This informal conference has become an important annual educational and networking event for private woodlot owners, farmers, rural landowners, and community forest managers in eastern Ontario.

This year's keynote theme was "What your Forest can do for you," touching on topics including: marketing your forest products; the importance of vernal pools; how technology in the forest can be fun (and helpful for our feathered friends and other forest dwellers!); the 'creation' of the Larose Forest; and the challenges forest practitioners face in educating the public about sustainable forest management. The conference also featured forestry exhibits of all sorts, along with an 'Ask an Expert' booth, chainsaw raffle, and much more.

The following were the titles and presenters at the conference:

- Keynote Address: "Ask not what your forests can do for you, but what you can do for your forests: Dispelling public myths about forestry and our forests" **Mark Kuhlberg, Laurentian University, Associate Professor and Director of the MA History Program** Technology in the Woodlot: Creating Your Biodiversity Inventory -
- Ian Fife, Ontario Forest Birds at Risk Program Coordinator at Bird Studies Canada

Larose Forest: From Desert to Diverse Forest - Steve Hunter, United Counties of Prescott-Russell

No Mere Puddles: Vernal Pools are Vital Habitat - **Shaun** Thompson, Biologist

Timber for Sale – Marketing Forest Products – Jeff Muzzi, Private landowner

December Forest Seminar

An annual event, the December Forest Seminar of 2019, hosted by the Eastern Ontario Model Forest and the Canadian Institute of Forestry,

Kemptville Winter Woodlot Conference Committee

Cheyene Brunet, Co-chair Achille Drouin, Co-chair Dorothy Hamilton Pieter Leenhouts Martin Streit Geoff McVey

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focused on the benefits of building with wood. As builders and homeowners are becoming more environmentally conscious in this era of climate change, they are looking for more sustainable building materials and we believe that wood from our Canadian forests can provide this.

The seminar in had six presenters who focussed on telling the full story of how building with wood is the most sustainable option, from the time the tree is planted in the forest to when the final product is used for the build. We heard how a forest can be managed for multiple forest values such as recreation, wildlife, and clean water, all while providing a continuous supply of wood to feed the local mill. We also heard how building codes are changing to allow for taller wood structures, and how new technology can produce stronger wood products with less to meet these demands. It was an excellent opportunity for those who wish to understand why building with wood is a good choice, from both an ecological and engineering perspective.

A report was prepared that provides a summary of the key messages of the day and can be found on the Eastern Ontario Model Forest website at this <u>link</u> along with all the presentations. The presenters were as follows:

The Future of Building – Wood and the Carbon Neutral Pathway- David Moses, PhD, PEng, PE, LEED®AP, Founder of Moses Structural Engineers

Harvesting wood sustainably: Good for the Environment and Climate Change- Martin Streit, RPF, Forester, South Nation Conservation Authority

- Benefits of Building with Wood- Alex Nott, M.Eng. P.Eng. Mass Timber Engineer, Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
- Prefabrication in Timber Construction- Mohammad Mohammad, P.Eng, PhD, Senior Research Advisor, Natural Resources Canada
- A Local to Global Perspective: Linking Sustainable Forest Management to Green Buildings - Kathy Abusow, President and CEO, Sustainable Forestry Initiative
- A National Mass Timber Research Network: Connecting the Dots Dr. Anne Koven, Executive Director, Mass Timber Institute

Participation in the development of the Provincial Forest Strategy

The EOMF was invited to participate in the round table discussions organized by the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry on the development of the new Forest Strategy. Following the meeting, the EOMF submitted comments to reflect the importance of private forest lands in Ontario. The EOMF also participated in a NEXTFOR meeting to represent our private land partners in the development of new products in the bioeconomy. Nextfor is an industry-led ecosystem of intentional collaborations who, together, create and accelerate new technologies for Ontario's bioeconomy.

Ross Silversides Award

Honourary Members & Recipients of the Ross Silversides Forestry Award

Honourary members and recipients of the Ross Silversides Forestry Award are identified by the Board of Directors for their outstanding contribution to forestry in eastern Ontario or as past or present residents who have made a major contribution to forestry elsewhere in the world.

1993	C. Ross Silversides, Maitland, Ontario (Honourary)
1994	Bess Silversides, Maitland, Ontario (Honourary)
1994	Ernest M. Kaientaronkwen Benedict, Akwesasne
1995	Teharonianeken, Chief Jake Swamp, Akwesasne
1996	Ewan Caldwell, Rockcliffe Park, Ontario
1996	Ferdinand LaRose, Bourget, Ontario
1996	Françoise LaBelle, St. Bruno Quebec (Honourary)
1998	Sandra S. Lawn, Prescott, Ontario
1999	William K. "Old Bill" Fullerton, Manotick, Ontario
2000	Jim Cayford, Barrhaven, Ontario
2001	George Fowler, Iroquois, Ontario
2001	Henry Atsienhanonne Arquette, Akwesasne
2002	John Kerr-Wilson, Ompah, Ontario
2003	Ray & Ruth Fortune, Almonte, Ontario
2004	Wayne D. Young, Cornwall, Ontario
2005	Peter M. Murray, Gananoque, Ontario
2006	F. Henry Lickers, Akwesasne
2007	Edwin H. White, Marcellus, New York
2007	Brian A. Barkley, Elma, Ontario
2008	Richard David, Akwesasne
2009	Dave Chapeskie, Spencerville, Ontario
2010	Dave Neave, Nepean, Ontario
2011	William (Bill) Hall, Renfrew, Ontario
2012	Jim Hendry, South Stormont, Ontario
2012	Martin Streit, Morrisburg, Ontario
2013	Jim McCready, Carleton Place, Ontario
2014	Laird Nelson, Codrington, Ontario
2015	Eric Boysen, Maberly, Ontario
2015	Cathy Nielsen, Peterborough, Ontario
2016	Margaret George, Akwesasne
2017	Wade Knight, Ashton, Ontario
2017	Tom Richardson, Perth, Ontario
2018	Scott Davis, Peterborough, Ontario
2019	Rose Fleguel and Barb Boysen

The Heartwood Award

Recipients of the Heartwood Award include:

The Heartwood Award is presented in recognition of an individual or group who has made an exceptional volunteer contribution to the Eastern Ontario Model Forest.

2005 Sally Hamilton, Kemptville, Ontario

2006 John P. Wilson, Kemptville, Ontario

> 2007 Tony Bull, Ottawa, Ontario

2008 Alf Campbell, Kemptville, Ontario

2008 Jim Gilmour, Watson's Corners, Ontario

> 2009 Hans Ottens, Maberly, Ontario

2010 Achille Drouin, Casselman, Ontario

2011 Don Schell, Tatlock, Ontario

2012 Kerry Coleman, Oxford Mills, Ontario

2013 J. Peter Hall, Gloucester, Ontario

2014 Dorothy Hamilton, Cornwall, Ontario

2015 Pieter Leenhouts, Kars, Ontario

2016 Fred Huszarik, Almonte, Ontario

2017 Jean-Claude Havard, Plantagenet, Ontario

> 2018 Karen Brown, Delta, Ontario

2019 Ann Bull, Marie-Andrée Drouin, and Leila Havard

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Our vision of forests for seven generation is a sustainable landscape valued by all communities.

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The Eastern Ontario Model Forest gratefully acknowledges the support we have received from our many members, supporters and partners. With your support it has allowed the Eastern Ontario Model Forest to continue its work to champion sustainable forests and healthy, vibrant forest communities.

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