

ADVANCES

Model Forest Calendar

SEPTEMBER

- 21 Board Of Directors Meeting
- 21 Annual General Meeting
- 22 Showcase 2004
- 27 S & T Program Meeting

OCTOBER

- 1-6 CIF/SAF Convention
Edmonton
- 14 Knowledge Management &
Comm. Program Meeting
- 21 Community Involvement
Program Meeting
- 23 SFM Seminar Series
Ft. St. James
- 23 SFM Seminar Series
Pr. George
- 17 Regional Climate Change
Seminar
- 18 Carbon Budget Accounting
Seminar

NOVEMBER

- 30-1 CFS Carbon Budget Model
3 Workshop
Victoria

JANUARY

- 12-13 Natural Resource Exhibition

To add your event to the Model Forest Calendar, provide details to modelforest@mcgregor.bc.ca.

Showcase 2004 Is Here

The stage is set for the McGregor Model Forest's annual Showcase event. Information on model forest projects ranging from the SFM Seminar Series to the Caribou Habitat research project will be presented publically on September 22nd at The Exploration Place.

The 2004 event will feature 10 speakers and provides updates and final results from projects within the McGregor Model Forest's three programs and its International projects. A complete list of topics and presenters is available on the McGregor Model Forest website at www.mcgregor.bc.ca.

"This is really a good opportunity for the model forest to show off the successes of our partnership-based organization," said Model Forest Director Dan Lousier. "It is also a chance for all partners to network amongst each other while learning of the latest advances in sustainable forest management," he added.

Demonstration Area Brushed

Visitors to the Cluculz Lake Silviculture Demonstration Area will notice a big difference these days thanks to a McGregor Model Forest Project.

Brushing work was completed last month by a hard working crew from the Prince George Regional Correctional Centre. The crew spent nearly a week widening the path through the site, opening it up to researchers and members of the public.



Brushing of the Cluculz Lake site was conducted in late August by the Prince George Regional Correctional Centre.

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New on the Web

Partners

The list of partners in the McGregor Model Forest has been updated to reflect the changes over the last six months.

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The site has a long history among researchers in Northern BC. It was clearcut logged in the winter of 1964-65 and then broadcast burned in the fall of 1965. It was one of the first operational applications of prescribed burning following logging in the Vanderhoof Forest District. The study plots were laid out and planted in 1967.

The experimental project is described by the Ministry of Forests as a long-term plantation study examining the influence of planting density on the growth performance of three species common in the region; white spruce, Douglas-fir, and lodgepole pine.

More information on the demonstration site is available from the Ministry of Forests website at http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/rni/research/extension_notes/pg12-2_ep660bobtail.pdf

Funding for the project was provided by the McGregor Model Forest and Canfor within the model forest's 2003-2004 Annual Workplan. The Regional Correctional Centre also provided a wealth of in-kind funding through its donation of labour.

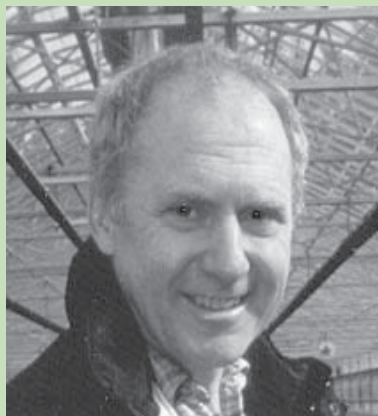
Winds of Change Blow Through Model Forest

Not unlike the changing colour of the forest in the fall, the McGregor Model Forest is experiencing an autumn of its own.

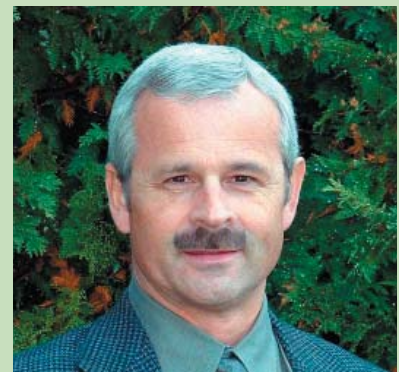
President Jim Burbee has informed the Board of Directors that he does not plan to re-offer his name for the Association's Presidency at this month's Annual General Meeting. Jim has acted as the Association's President since its inception in 1992. He'll be missed within the Model Forest and across the Canadian Model Forest Network where his work established a strong reputation for the McGregor Model Forest.

Meanwhile, General Manager Rein Kahlke has resigned. Rein has chosen to return to school and will be attending the University of Northern British Columbia. He plans to acquire a Masters Degree in International Studies. Rein led the McGregor Model Forest through its successful Phase III application and is known across the Network as a strong supporter of the model forest concept.

Replacements for the two men are expected to be selected within a month. Their hard work and dedication to sustainable forest management and the McGregor Model Forest will be difficult to replace.



Jim Burbee helped to build the model forest while working at Northwood in 1992.



Rein Kahlke acted as General Manager since 2001 and is using the model forest concept for his Masters thesis.