

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

2021 FAMILY FORESTS EDUCATION AWARDS

Presented by the
National Woodland Owners Association
and the
National Association of University Forest Resources Programs

* Note – this year’s **Individual Project Award** will focus on educational programming responses to the 2020 pandemic, see details below.

The National Woodland Owners Association (NWOA), in cooperation with the National Association of University Forest Resources Programs (NAUFRP), will present the annual **FAMILY FORESTS EDUCATION AWARDS** at the 2021 Society of American Foresters (SAF) national convention in Sacramento, CA, on November 3–7, 2021.

The **Comprehensive Program** and **Individual Project** awards will be presented to educational institutions deemed to have delivered programming most benefiting family forest owners over the last five years. Any educational institution is eligible. The awards will be presented to the administrative unit originating and hosting the programming.

A family forest educational program or individual project is a combination of educational materials, media, courses, workshops, events and/or electronic media including applied research that supports those efforts, that is conducted over a period of time for the benefit of family forest owners. The awards recognize effective programming addressing any or all aspects of forest resources management including forest management, silviculture, forest health, harvesting, forest and estate planning, business management and marketing.

Nominations will be accepted for two categories:

- **Individual Project** that addresses a specific family forest issue or problem and can include specialized courses, workshops, webpages and resources, materials, etc. This year the **Individual Project Award** is open for nominations showcasing new or modified programming showcasing approaches to educate family forest owners during the 2020 pandemic.
- **Comprehensive Program** includes a broad educational effort to address a diverse array of family forest issues and program using a wide range of educational approaches and programs.

Nominations will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Faculty and staff involved (including number and multi-disciplinary involvement)
- Educational needs assessment (including involvement of clients)

- Educational materials, events, and other resources used
- Applied research incorporated
- Collaborations among disciplines, agencies, and organizations
- Results, impacts, or outcomes
- Evidence of program quality
- Degree of innovation
- Emulation of the program by others

*Applications must indicate whether the nomination is for the **Comprehensive Program** or **Individual Project** and include a cover letter describing how the applicant has addressed each of the above criteria. A committee composed of both NWOA and NAUFRP members will select the winner based on an evaluation of how each of the 9 criteria above has been met.*

The deadline for receiving all materials is September 20th.

If providing only hardcopy materials, please provide at least five sets. Nominations may be submitted electronically or by other media such as flash drive (please provide five).

Nominations and supporting documentation should be forwarded to: NAUFRP-NWOA
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