



# Building Resilient Communities through Community-Based Forest Management

**Conference Program** 

January 16-18, 2013 Algoma's Water Tower Inn Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

# Wednesday, January 16

11:30-1:00 pm Registration- Algoma's Water Tower Inn Atrium

Meet in Water Tower Inn Atrium (or at Ontario Forest Research Institute, 1235 Queen 12:30 pm Street East, if attending by car)

Pre-Conference Tour (for those registered for this optional event, space is full) 1:00-4:00

- Ontario Forest Research Institute, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources
- Great Lakes Forestry Centre, Natural Resources Canada
- Tour of Shingwauk Centre and Archives at Algoma University (1520 Queen Street East) that celebrate the life of Shingwauk, Anishinaabe Chief and signatory to the 1850 Robinson-Huron Treaty. Meet at the Shingwauk Residential Schools Centre within Algoma University
- Registration—Algoma's Water Tower Inn Atrium 6:00-8:30
- 7:00 pm Book Launch—Algoma's Water Tower Inn, Patio Meeting Room Ryan Bullock and Kevin Hanna. 2012. Community Forestry: Local Values, Conflict and Forest Governance, Cambridge University Press.

# Thursday, January 17

Simultaneous French translation and live streaming (https://algomau.webex.com) provided Jan. 17 & 18.

8:00-9:00 Continental Breakfast & Registration

9:00-9:30 First Nation Opening, Welcome and Introductions

Opening Prayer/Ceremony: Local First Nation Representative

Dr. Gayle Broad, Department of Community Development and Social Work & NORDIK Institute, Algoma University

Dr. Peggy Smith, Faculty of Natural Resources Management, Lakehead University

9:30-10:15 Keynote Address: Democratic Decentralization of Forest Management

Dr. Jesse Ribot, Department of Geography & Affiliate, Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

10:15-10:30 Refreshment Break

10:30-11:00 Overview of Community Forests in Canada

> Dr. Sara Teitelbaum, Post-doctoral Fellow, Centre d'Étude de la Forêt at UQAM (Université du Québec à Montréal)

11:00-11:30 Design of Incentive Mechanisms for the Provision of Forest Ecosystem Services by

Communities

Dr. Shashi Kant, Professor of Forest Resource Economics, Faculty of Forestry, University of Toronto

**11:30 -12:00** Group Discussion

12:00-1:00 Lunch (provided) and Graduate Student Poster Session

1:00-1:30	Evaluating Municipally-Owned Corporations as Community Forest Governance Structure Dr. Evelyn Pinkerton, Associate Professor, School of Resource and Environmental Management & Co-management Research Group, Simon Fraser University
1:30-2:00	Lessons from the BC Community Forest Association Susan Mulkey, BC Community Forest Association & Erik Leslie, Forest Manager, Harrop Proctor Community Forest
2:00-2:30	Group Discussion
2:30-3:00	Towards Community Forests in New Brunswick Jean Arnold, Executive Director, Falls Brook Centre, New Brunswick & New Brunswick Community Forestry Alliance
3:00-3:15	Refreshment Break
3:15-3:45	The Economics of Community Forests  Dr. David Robinson, Chair of the Department of Economics, Director of the Institute for Northern Ontario Research and Development (INORD), Laurentian University
3:45-4:30	Group Discussion
6:00 p.m.	Local Food Banquet & After Dinner International Speaker Canadian Bushplane Heritage Centre, 70 Pim Street Building Networks to Support Community Forestry: International Experiences Melvin Cruz, Executive Director, Madera Verde, Honduras

# Friday, January 18

8:00-9:00	Continental Breakfast & Registration
9:00-9:30	Update on Forest Tenure Reform in Ontario Leigh Colpitts, Manager, Forest Tenure Section, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources
9:30-9:45	Community Working Group (CWG) <sup>1</sup> Update Clara Lauziere, Manager, Northeast Superior Forest Community
9:45-10:15	Discussion re Forest Tenure Reform
10:15-10:30	Refreshment Break
10:30-noon	Panel: Experiences with First Nation-Led CBFM Initiatives  Moderator, Dr. Peggy Smith, Faculty of Natural Resources Management, Lakehead  University

University <sup>1</sup> The Forest Tenure and Economics Branch of the Ministry of Natural Resources first set up a Forest Industry Working

Group to consult on forest tenure reform. Then they established a First Nation Working Group. In April 2012, at the request of Peggy Smith of NOSCP and Desneiges Larose of the Hearst Economic Development Corporation, the MNR set up a Community Working Group to advise on tenure reform.

Haida Nation Community Forest: Archie Stocker, Haida Nation, British Columbia Cree-Quebec Forestry Board (Conseil Cris-Québec Foresterie): Geoff Quaile, Grand Council of the Cree of Northern Quebec

Northeast Superior Community Forest Initiative: Chief Kim Rainville, Missinabie Cree First Nation

- 12:00 -1:00 Lunch (provided) and Graduate Student Poster Session
- 1:00 4:00 "Talking Circle": Facilitated by Larry McDermott, Aboriginal Representative, National Council & Biodiversity Caucus Steering Committee Co-Chair, Canadian Environmental Network
  - 1) Supporting CBFM initiatives
  - 2) Influencing policy makers
  - 3) Building a Canadian research and practice network for CBFM
- **4:30 5:00** Reflection & Next Steps

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# **Conference Organizing Committee Biographies**

# **Peggy Smith**



Dr. M.A. (Peggy) Smith is an Associate Professor in Lakehead University's Faculty of Natural Resources Management and a Registered Professional Forester. She teaches Natural Resource Policy and Legislation, Environmental Assessment, and Aboriginal Peoples and Natural Resources. Her research interests focus on the social impacts of forest management, including Indigenous peoples' involvement in forest management, community forestry and public participation, northern development, and forest certification. She is co-chair of the Northern Ontario Sustainable Communities Partnership which advocates for changes in forest tenure to address local decision-making. She considers herself privileged to be a part of the growing number of people of Indigenous ancestry (Cree) who are working in the field of natural resources management, conservation and development. Peggy continues her longstanding affiliation as Senior Advisor with the National Aboriginal Forestry Association, an Indigenous-controlled non-

profit organization with the goal of increasing Indigenous participation in the forest sector.

#### **Gayle Broad**

Dr. Gayle Broad is an Associate Professor in the Community Economic and Social Development (CESD) program at Algoma University, in Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario, and the Research Director of NORDIK Institute, a community based research institute affiliated with Algoma University. She is also a Scholar with the Centre for Cooperative Studies at the University of Saskatchewan. A lifelong resident of Northern Ontario, Gayle's knowledge and interest in resource-dependency and its impact on people and the environment, has led her to take a holistic approach to researching community sustainability and resilience, including such diverse areas as culture and the arts, housing and poverty, and worker ownership and cooperatives. Her research interests include community economic development and the social economy; women's participation in



the economy; local food movements and non-timber forest products; and research with First Nations. Gayle's recent and current research includes working closely with First Nation communities to respond to their educational and research needs; working with local food producers and consumers to establish strong 'buy local' networks; and working with a group of seven communities in Colombia on similar issues. She has presented her work nationally and internationally.

# **Chander Shahi**



Dr. Chander Shahi is an Assistant Professor in Lakehead University's Faculty of Natural Resources Management. Chander specializes in Natural Resource Economics and his research emphasis has been on economics of public participation and market sector analysis of the forest products industry. He holds a Ph.D. degree from the University of Toronto, besides an MBA and Engineering degrees. He has developed evolutionary game theory and experimental economics models for understanding the behavior of local communities for managing natural resources. Chander has also conducted comparative analysis of the production technologies of forest product industries in Ontario and published a number of aricles in scientific journals. In addition, he has also developed integrated models for market readiness analysis for power generation from biomass gasification in northern Ontario.

# **Ryan Bullock**

Dr. Ryan Bullock is a Postdoctoral Fellow with the School of Environment and Sustainability and a researcher with the International Centre for Northern Governance and Development, University of Saskatchewan. He holds degrees in Geography and Environmental Studies (PhD Waterloo; MES Wilfrid Laurier; BA hons Laurentian) and his research interests address the human dimensions of environmental resource management, northern governance, development and conflict, and community-based research approaches. Dr. Bullock has published papers in peer-reviewed journals and edited books on community-based forest and watershed management, with an emphasis on local planning and policy processes in emerging multi-level governance



systems. He is also co-author of the new book *Community Forestry: Local Values, Conflict and Forest Governance* (with K. Hanna, Cambridge, 2012). Together with community representatives and other colleagues, he is currently undertaking a comparative analysis of Aboriginal-led collaborative decision making processes in northern Saskatchewan and Ontario.

#### Lynn Palmer



Lynn is a PhD student at the Faculty of Natural Resources Management, Lakehead University. Her research focuses on forest policy to enable community-based forest management in northern Ontario Lynn holds B.Sc. and M.Sc. Forestry degrees from Lakehead University. She has over twenty years of experience working in the forest and natural resources management fields, primarily in northwestern Ontario's boreal forests. Lynn has done research, technology transfer, teaching at the college and university levels and has worked with several Canadian and international ENGOs on the sustainability of forest ecosystems and forest-dependent communities. She helped spearhead the Northern Ontario Sustainable Communities Partnership that advocates for community forests. Lynn spends as much time as possible in the outdoors canoeing, backpacking and cross-country skiing.

# **Meghan Ableson**

Meghan joined NORDIK Institute in June of 2012 as a Research and Communications intern. Teaching in international (Singapore and Turkey), as well as First Nation schools (Fort Albany and Whitefish River First Nation), Meghan spent five years as an elementary classroom teacher before making a career change. Meghan turned in her "teacher hat" in 2011 and went back to school, pursuing a post-graduate diploma in Public Relations and Event Management. Meghan is excited to be combining her experience as an educator with her new interest in the field of communications. Planning this conference has been the perfect opportunity to apply her skills as well as learn about CBFM along the way.



# **Speaker Biographies**

### **Keynote Speaker: Jesse Ribot**



Dr. Ribot has been an Associate Professor in the Department of Geography at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign since 2008. He was previously a Senior Associate in the Institutions and Governance program at the World Resources Institute and lectured on environment and development policy and planning in Urban Studies and Planning at MIT. He has been a fellow at the Max Planck Institute for Social Anthropology, a Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars Fellow, a MacArthur Fellow at the Harvard Center for Population and Development Studies and a fellow at the Yale Program in Agrarian Studies. Over the past two decades he has conducted numerous studies for the World Bank and United Nations. Dr. Ribot conducts research on: decentralization and democratic local government; natural resource tenure and access; distribution along natural resource commodity chains; and household vulnerability in the face of climate and environmental change. He holds a doctorate from the Energy and Resources Group at UC Berkeley.

#### Sara Teitelbaum

Dr. Sara Teitelbaum is a postdoctoral researcher at UQAM (Université du Québec à Montréal). She is currently editing a book on community forestry policy and practice in the Canadian context. Her PhD explored the same topic, through a national survey and a comparative case study analysis. Sara also works regularly as a consultant in the areas of community forestry, forest policy and forest certification. Sara lives in Montreal.



#### Shashi Kant

Dr. Shashi Kant is a Professor of Forest Resource Economics and Management at the Faculty of Forestry, University of Toronto. He specializes in forest resource economics and forest management systems with an emphasis on economics of sustainable forest management. He is editor-in-chief of a book series, *Sustainability, Economics and Natural Resources*, which aims to integrate the concept of sustainability into forest economics as well as reflect the multi- and interdisciplinary nature of economics. Three volumes of this book series have been published. The fourth volume, titled *Post-Faustmann Forest Resource Economics* is in press. He has published more than 100 refereed articles. He has been the Associate Editor of the Canadian Journal of Forest Research and the Journal of Forest Economics. He has guest edited two special volumes



of Forest Policy and Economics. He is the Coordinator of IUFRO Research Group on Forest Resource Economics. He has received the Queen's Award for Forestry (2008), the Scientific Achievement Award of the Canadian Institute of Forestry (2007), the Scientific Achievement Award of the IUFRO (2005), and the Ontario's Premier Research Excellence Award (2004) for his research.

# **Evelyn Pinkerton**



Dr. Evelyn Pinkerton is Associate Professor at the School of Resource and Environmental Management at Simon Fraser University. She is a maritime anthropologist who has integrated common property theory and cultural/political ecology in considering the role communities play in the management of adjacent renewable natural resources. She has played a key role in developing the theory and practice of power-sharing and stewardship through co-management agreements. Beginning with the introduction to her 1989 edited volume *Cooperative Management of Local Fisheries* (UBC Press), she has been generating middle-range theoretical propositions about the conditions under which co-management is likely to arise and to endure. She has published over 40 peer-reviewed articles on fisheries and forestry co-management arrangements, and in Fisheries that Work (1995, co-authored with Martin Weinstein) began to develop a more comprehensive framework for analyzing and comparing co-management arrangements. This work has since evolved into analysis of the developmental sequence of types of co-management rights and activities. Dr. Pinkerton

holds a PhD from Brandeis University in Boston and an MA and an M.A.T. from Harvard University.

# Susan Mulkey

Susan Mulkey is the Manager of Communication and Extension Services for the British Columbia Community Forest Association. She has been involved in the development of community forestry from its beginnings in BC and has spent time in Nepal and Montenegro as a community forest professional. She lives in the Village of Kaslo, a rural forest-based community in southeastern BC.



# Erik Leslie



Erik Leslie is a Registered Professional Forester, resource consultant, and the Forest Manager for the Harrop-Procter Community Forest in southeastern British Columbia. Erik is also on the Board of Directors of the BC Community Forest Association. He has worked for community organizations, regional and provincial governments, the forest industry, and First Nations on projects from Haida Gwaii to Labrador. He has extensive experience in forestry planning and operations, community consultation, small business management, and certification. He has worked as a Forest Stewardship Council lead auditor in BC and the US Pacific Northwest. Erik lives in Nelson, BC, with his partner Jennie and two school-aged children.

#### Jean Arnold

Jean Arnold is the Executive Director of Falls Brook Centre, a sustainable community education and training centre in Carleton County, New Brunswick. Falls Brook Centre was a social chamber organization involved in the development of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Maritime standards and also led the Non-timber Forest Product Working Group of the FSC internationally. Falls Brook Centre is currently working with Analog Forestry as a restoration methodology in Cuba restoring old sugar cane fields in Guantanamo back to forest cover with forest farmers, in Northern Honduras on mangrove restoration with a community in a biosphere reserve, and in the temperate hardwoods of New Brunswick. Falls Brook Centre participates in a variety of forest forums in New Brunswick to secure community forest tenure and to protect biodiversity.



#### **David Robinson**



Dr. David Robinson is Chair of the Department of Economics and Director of the Institute for Northern Ontario Research and Development (INORD) at Laurentian University. As a leading expert on Northern Ontario economic development, he was the first person to identify and promote the Sudbury Area Mining Supply and Service sector and the first person to propose a Northern Ontario School of Architecture. He is best known for columns in Northern Ontario Business Magazine and frequent interviews in broadcast media. He is currently studying linkages between arts communities and the value-added sector in Boreal Shield towns and cities. He teaches game theory and regional economics. Recent publications include a book on 2x2 games and several papers analyzing issues on Northern Ontario economic development. David is northeastern co-chair of the Northern Ontario Sustainable Communities Partnership.

#### **Leigh Colpitts**

Leigh is Manager of the Forest Tenure Section with the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, a role he began in 2011. He earned a Bachelor of Science in Forestry degree from the University of New Brunswick and a Masters in Business Administration from Queen's University. Born and raised in New Brunswick, he began his forestry career in his home province as a small business owner/operator and later worked for the Southern New Brunswick Wood Cooperative Ltd. and then J.D. Irving Ltd. Since joining the Ministry of Natural Resources, Leigh has lived in a number of communities throughout north eastern Ontario where he held positions at the field, regional and provincial levels. He is interested in collaborative



approaches to public forest policy with a focus on sustainably deriving economic benefits from the forest. When not doing home improvement projects, Leigh spends as much time as possible back-country skiing, backpacking, kayaking and canoeing.

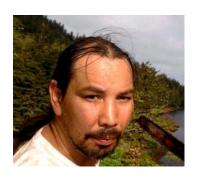
### Clara Lauziere



Clara Lauziere, General Manager of the Northeast Superior Forest Community (NSFC), has been an advocate of regional development and collaborative engagement as a strategy to help communities respond to the changing forest economy. With a background in Policy and Administration at the Undergrad and Masters level, Clara has spent 10 years in northern Ontario community economic development and the past 4 years in the Northeast Superior Region, helping to build a regional development organization that focuses on the forest sector. Clara has been advocating aggressively throughout the region for building strong bonds and relationships with regional First Nation communities and has assisted the NSFC to become a national leader in First Nation/Municipal collaboration.

#### **Archie Stocker**

Archie is a member of the Haida Nation in British Columbia. He is Crew Coordinator for the Haida Mapping Office which provides timely information and analysis to the Council of the Haida Nation. Haida Mapping is undertaken as an empowerment tool to help the Haida regain control over development in their territory through the location of monumental cedars, culturally modified trees (CMTs) and other land values to defer logging in environmentally and culturally sensitive habitats. This information is now being used to develop a 1,000-year plan to manage old growth cedars, which are required for Haida monumental art such as dugout canoes, totems and longhouses. Archie is involved with the development of the Haida community forest, and also frequently climbs trees to do tree topping.



#### **Geoff Quaile**



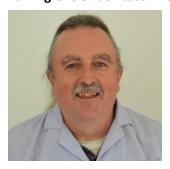
Geoffrey Quaile has worked closely with the Grand Council of the Crees (Eeyou Istchee) for the past 15 years. He is currently serving as a Senior Advisor on Natural Resources issues for the Grand Council. This involves serving as a board member for the Crees on the Cree-Quebec Forestry Board and participation in various cross-governmental tables on mining, public land management and Cree-Quebec relations. Prior to these duties, Geoffrey was intimately involved in the Grand Council's legal and public relations efforts regarding forestry and hydroelectric development. Geoffrey's undergraduate degree (Trent) was in Environmental and Resource Studies and he holds an M.E.S. specializing in Communications from York University.

#### Kim Rainville

Kim Rainville is the elected Chief of Missanabie Cree First Nation. He has been leading the Missanabie Cree for the past two years of a three-year term. Kim became politically active in 2004 as a councillor for the First Nation for two terms during which time he held the forestry portfolio and was involved with treaty land entitlement negotiations with the federal government. Kim has also served as a council representative on the Missanabie Cree First Nation Land Transfer Advisory Committee which successfully signed a land transfer legal agreement in 2011 with the province of Ontario for 15 sq. miles of land. Kim and his wife Lori have been married for 28 years and have two children. Kim has worked at Essar Steel Algoma for the past 33 years. He is an avid fisherman and hunter, spending as much time as he can within the traditional homelands of the Missanabie Cree.



# **Talking Circle Facilitator: Larry McDermott**



A member, Ambassador and Elder of Shabot Obaadjiwan First Nation, Larry is Executive Director of Plenty Canada, a non-profit organization that facilitates access to, and shares resources with, Indigenous peoples and other community groups around the world in support of their environmental protection and sustainable development goals. He is also Co-Chair of the Biodiversity Caucus and Aboriginal Representative/Director of the Canadian Environmental Network. Larry served as an Ontario municipal politician for 28 years including as the first national rural chair of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities. He served as a member of the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources Aboriginal Traditional Knowledge (Way of Knowing) Working Group and is a member of the Canadian UNESCO Sectoral Commission for Natural, Social and Human Sciences. Larry was a member of the

Canadian Indigenous Delegation to the 1992 United Nations Conference on Environment and Development (Rio Earth Summit) and in 2010 attended the Convention on Biological Diversity Conference of the Parties which resulted in the Nagoya Protocol on Access and Benefit Sharing. He is a member of the Eastern Ontario First Nations Working Group involving conservation authorities, the Eastern Ontario Model Forest and First Nations. Larry is an Ontario certified tree marker and holds a Master's degree in Native Studies from Carleton University.

# **After Banquet Speaker: Melvin Cruz**



Melvin graduated in 1989 as a forestry technician from the National School of Forestry Sciences of Honduras (ESNACIFOR) and in 1994 as a Forestry Engineer at the National Honduran University (UNAH). He has worked for more than 20 years in the public and private forestry sector of Honduras, acquiring much experience in community forestry management. His first job as a forester was with the Broadleaf Forest Development Project sponsored by the Canadian International Development Agency (CIDA) where he was assigned to Santa Maria del Carbon, a much marginalized indigenous village in the center of Honduras. In 1997 Mr. Cruz worked for an Italian NGO assisting two agroforestry cooperatives Copen and Paya in the buffer zone of the Rio Platano Biosphere declared World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1980

and the largest natural reserve in Honduras. As a free lance consultant, Melvin, with a group of colleagues, founded his own consulting company and as the leader of his team, designed several community forest management plans including for indigenous communities. In 2009 he attended as a speaker the XIII World Forestry Congress in Argentina. Since 2006 he has been Executive Director of Fundacion MaderaVerde (FMV), a Honduran NGO that works closely with artisans and small community organizations that harvest wood and non-timber forest products. MaderaVerde provides training and support to enable local forest enterprises to function successfully and independently in the marketplace. In 2011 Mr. Cruz was awarded the distinction of Outstanding Forester of the Year by his peers at the College of Professional Foresters of Honduras (COLPROFORH) for recognition of excellent service in the field of forest science. This year as the Executive Director of FMV, Melvin was elected as president of both the Atlántida Model Forest and the Honduran Model Forest Network. Presently Mr. Cruz lives in La Ceiba with his wife Yadira— a forester and free lance consultant and the coordinator of the Honduran Model Forest Network — and their three children.

# **Alex Karney: Translator**



Alex worked for 1.5 years as consulting forester with Fundacion Madera Verde in Honduras, initially through a CIDA-Fallsbrook Centre internship before being hired by GreenWood and the United States Forest Service. Working with local communities, activities included the documentation of a previously-unknown artisanal epiphyte species, sample collection of other uncommon plant species, documentation of illegal ranching, and coordinating community tree-planting. He graduated in 2009 from the Master's of Forest Conservation program at the University of Toronto, also completing a forest conservation undergraduate at Toronto in 2007. He currently works on habitat restoration and invasive control for Urban Forest Associates Inc. in Toronto, and will be returning to work for GreenWood-Madera Verde in winter 2013.

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