The objective of the Central Canada SFI Implementation Committee’s (CCSIC) Contractor of the Year award is to:

1. Recognize and provide appreciation for a Contractor (logging, silviculture, etc.) within the CCSIC (Manitoba and Ontario) forested lands connected to SFI certified forests or SFI certified fibre sourcing that exemplifies outstanding performance of SFI programming and consistently conducts their operations to meet SFI program objectives,
2. Increases the awareness of, and promotes the use of, competent professional contractors and logging professionals within the CCSIC community,
3. Encourages other contractors, employees and QLPs to pursue similar standards and recognition, and/or
4. Highlights and improves awareness of our industries commitments to sustainability and the highly skilled and qualified workers that help achieve our sustainability goals.

**Instructions**: This form is intended to be filled out by CCSIC participant or CCSIC supporter wishing to nominate a Contractor for the Contractor of the Year award. Please fill out as completely as you can, including contacting others to gather or provide the necessary information. It is strongly recommended to collect and include Letters of Support for your nominee from other industry professionals, peers, timber managers, or anyone who can attest and describe their commitment to the SFI values. Each CCSIC participant or CCSIC supporter is limited to a single entry per year. Only one contractor will be selected from the nominations each year.

If you have any questions, please contact Steven Young, Inconsistent Practices Coordinator, at 807-223-7216 ext. 1 or ip@sficentralcanada.org. **Applications are due on December 31st.**

|  |
| --- |
| **Nomination Information** |
| Nominee Name | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Business Name | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Mailing Address | Click or tap here to enter text. | City | Click or tap here to enter text. | Province | Choose an item. | Postal Code | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Phone Number | Click or tap here to enter text. | Cell | Click or tap here to enter text. | Email | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Nominator Information |
| Nominator Name | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| CCSIC participant or CCSIC supporter organization | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Mailing Address | Click or tap here to enter text. | City | Click or tap here to enter text. | Province | Choose an item. | Postal Code | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Phone Number | Click or tap here to enter text. | Cell | Click or tap here to enter text. | Email | Click or tap here to enter text. |
| **Contractor Highlights** |
| Years of Service | Click or tap here to enter text. | Contractor Type | Choose an item. | Number employees | Choose an item. |
| Number of Crews | Choose an item. | Number of QLPs | Choose an item. | Number of Employees working towards QLP | Choose an item. |

Briefly describe why you are nominating this Contractor for this award.

|  |
| --- |
| Click or tap here to enter text. |

Evidence of adherence to SFI standards

|  |
| --- |
| 1. The nominee demonstrates their commitment to **Sustainable Forestry, Forest Productivity and Health, Efficient Use of Fiber Resources, and Responsible Fibre Sourcing by ensuring**:
 |
| Operations are within an approved forest management plan and/or annual operation plan. | Choose an item. |
| Complete Prework signoff for activities prior to commencing operations. | Choose an item. |
| Knowledge of values identification and protection. | Choose an item. |
| Adherence to operation prescriptions and BMP’s  | Choose an item. |
| Operations to support productive forest renewal (avoid soil disturbance, timely operations, target planted species, etc.) | Choose an item. |
| They follow the fire plan | Choose an item. |
| Equipment is well maintained | Choose an item. |
| Proper utilization for their operation  | Choose an item. |
| Please provide details or reference material as supporting evidence: (Timber clearances, landowner permission, compliance history, harvest approvals, BOL completeness, etc.). |
| Click or tap here to enter text. |

|  |
| --- |
| 1. The nominee demonstrates their commitment to **Aesthetics and Recreation, Protection of Water Resources, Protection of Biological Diversity, and Protection of Special Sites through**:
 |
| Following the appropriate operational prescriptions, SOPs and BMPs to avoid water contamination. |  |
| Reporting/Protecting unmapped streams, drainages and surface flows. | Choose an item. |
| Conducting their operations to manage water quantity. | Choose an item. |
| Protecting values with biological importance and reports unidentified values | Choose an item. |
| Knowledge/Support of programming related to endangered and invasive species | Choose an item. |
| Protecting non-forest areas (such as bogs, woodland pools, marshes, grass lands, etc.) | Choose an item. |
| Considering the visual impact of their operations | Choose an item. |
| Working with other users, stakeholders and landowners to address concerns and support their activities | Choose an item. |
| protects known and reports finding new or suspected cultural and heritage values, and/or ecologically significant sites | Choose an item. |
| Please provide details or reference material as supporting evidence (compliance history, photographs, etc.): |
| Click or tap here to enter text. |

|  |
| --- |
| 1. The nominee demonstrates their commitment to **Legal Compliance, Transparency, Continual Improvement, Training and Education, Research, Community Involvement and Social Responsibility, and Respect of Indigenous Rights through**:
 |
| Number of compliance infractions or operational issues in the last 5 years? | Choose an item. |
| Retention of records for their operations (spill reports, TDG, near misses, injuries, etc.). | Choose an item. |
| A safety plan and safe work practices  | Choose an item. |
| Compliance with applicable social laws | Choose an item. |
| Participation in audits | Choose an item. |
| Making their records available for inspection | Choose an item. |
| Incorporating feedback from inspections and audits to improve their operations or work | Choose an item. |
| Attending and actively participating in training and continual education programs | Choose an item. |
| Maintaining their QLP/QRP requirements annually | Choose an item. |
| Leadership in encouraging other employees to work towards becoming a QLP/QRP | Choose an item. |
| Maintains training records and addresses training needs in a timely fashion | Choose an item. |
| Participation in forestry related research, science or technology | Choose an item. |
| Membership or support of community organizations or associations | Choose an item. |
| Participate in programs or initiatives that support growth of Indigenous communities within or through industry or non-industry programs | Choose an item. |
| Participate in programs or initiatives that support youth or public awareness of the forest industry and sustainable forestry through industry or non-industry programs | Choose an item. |
| Please provide details or reference material as supporting evidence: (SOPs, properly maintained PPE, safety meetings, safety programs, serve on committees or councils, mentoring, respecting treaty rights, social policies, etc.) |
| Click or tap here to enter text. |

|  |
| --- |
| Contractor Business Management Information |
| How does the nominee demonstrate fair and ethical business practices? |
| Click or tap here to enter text. |
| Does the nominee maintain contracts for all work undertaken or subcontracted? | Choose an item. |
| Does the nominee maintain adequate insurance for the equipment, people and work they undertake? | Choose an item. |
| Has the nominee been awarded any business-related awards? If yes, please provide details below: | Choose an item. |
| Click or tap here to enter text. |

Addition support towards documenting how the nominee meets or exceeds the values for the SFI standards can be documented in a letter of support by the nominator and/or any other person that can attest to the quality of work completed by the nominee.

[ ]  Additional supporting documents are attached.

Please list any additional documents you are providing as part of this nomination (reference letters, compliance reports, inspections, photos, etc.):

|  |
| --- |
| Click or tap here to enter text. |

Timeline:

Deadline for nominations: **December 31st.**

CCSIC nomination committee reviews and selects award winner(s): by **January 31st.**

Awards Presentation: **February 7th (Winter CCSIC meeting).**

**Award Prizes:**

$1000 and CCSIC Contractor of the Year plaque,

An additional $500 donation to a forestry related organization, or initiative, of your choosing,

Promotion of your business and award through CCSIC social media; and

CCSIC swag package.

Nominations can be emailed to:

ip@sficentralcanada.org

Or mailed to:

**IP Coordinator**

**c/o Dryden Forest Management Company**

**28A Earl Ave**

**Dryden, ON**

**P8N 1X5**