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Mr. Michael Keel
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Chair
Forestry Futures Committee
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Dear Mr. Keel and Chair, Forestry Futures Committee:

RE: TWO ADDITIONAL PURPOSES FOR THE FORESTRY FUTURES TRUST

Pursuant to section 51(3), paragraph 4 of the *Crown Forest Sustainability Act* (CFSA), I am specifying two additional purposes for the Forestry Futures Trust. The first new purpose is to fund forest genetic resource management activities and the second is to fund memberships in FPIInnovations.

For clarity, I am specifying the purposes as follows:

1. The funding of forest genetic resource management activities that benefit Crown forests. This new purpose may be referred to as the "forest genetic resource management program."

The amount of funding for this purpose is not to exceed \$300,000 per annum for two fiscal years ending March 31, 2017.

2. The funding of annual membership fees in FPIInnovations, a science research based organization engaged with sustainable forest management and forest productivity work.

The amount of funding is not to exceed \$400,000 per annum for two fiscal years ending March 31, 2017.

Both of these purposes will be funded from the Forestry Futures base charge. Ontario continues its long-standing support for our tree seed orchards, production of genetically improved seed and conservation of genes, and benefits from the activities that manage and conserve the genetic diversity within our Crown forests.



In addition, Ontario continues to extend funding for its membership in FPInnovations, which conducts research focussed on solutions to forest industry challenges by bringing together the private sector, scientific community and federal and provincial governments. All of these activities contribute to the CFSA purpose of providing for the sustainability of Ontario's Crown forests.

Sincerely,

Bill Mauro
Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry

- c: Rosalyn Lawrence, Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy Division
- Kathleen McFadden, Assistant Deputy Minister, Forest Industry Division
- Carrie Hayward, Assistant Deputy Minister, Regional Operations Division

RE: TWO ADDITIONAL PURPOSES FOR THE FORESTRY FUTURES TRUST

Pursuant to section 94(3), paragraph 4 of the Crown Forest Sustainability Act (CFS), and specifying two additional purposes for the Forestry Futures Trust. The first new purpose is to fund forest genetic resource management activities and the second is to fund membership in FPInnovations.

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1. The funding of forest genetic resource management activities that benefit Crown forests. This new purpose may be referred to as the "forest genetic resource management program".

The amount of funding for this purpose is not to exceed \$300,000 per annum for two fiscal years ending March 31, 2017.

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