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Roseburg Business Owner Honored with National President's Award from the Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc.

Williamsburg, VA – Rick N. Barnes, ACF, President, Barnes & Associates, Inc., Roseburg, Oregon, was honored with the President's Award from the [Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc.](http://www.acf-foresters.org) (ACF) during the national association's Annual Business Meeting. ACF members are independent professionals who manage forests and market forest products for private woodland owners.

"They say that we discover what we're made of when the going gets tough and during the past year, ACF has been put to the test," said Justin Miller, ACF, President, Green Timber Consulting Foresters, Pelkie, Michigan and President, ACF. "Due to Rick's exemplary leadership on ACF's Executive Committee as Treasurer, and his service on ACF's Finance Committee, ACF was stable in these uncertain economic times. Rick also chaired a task force to develop an anti-harassment policy and helped plan the ACF National Conference in Oregon."

As the owner of Barnes & Associates, Rick serves as senior manager for all the company's projects. He secures the resources for each project and monitors staff performance to meet the clients' needs. Rick is also a qualified inspector of the Oregon Tree Farm System.

"Serving as an ACF leader has been a great way to give back to a profession that has given me so much," said Barnes. "I'm honored and humbled to receive ACF's 2021 President's Award."

Barnes is the former Oregon Chapter Chair, a past council representative, state chair and chapter chair of the Society of American Foresters. He is the former state chairman of the Oregon Small Woodlands Association; past president and current board member of Douglas Forest Protective Association; and a past Chair and member of the Douglas County Planning Commission.

"Rick has dedicated so much of his professional life to forestry, consulting foresters and ACF," said Shannon McCabe, CAE, Executive Director, ACF. "This is a well-deserved award."

In addition to his ACF award, Barnes and his wife Audrey were the 2014 National Western Regional Tree Farmer of the Year, the 2013 Oregon Outstanding Tree Farming of the Year; and the 2012 Douglas County Tree Farmer of the Year.

Barnes holds a Masters in Business Administration from Southern Oregon State College; and a Bachelors in Forest Management from Oregon State University. He is a Certified Forester by the Society of American Foresters.

ACF members help landowners enhance property values, increase the value of timber, produce a more sustainable timber harvest, enhance wildlife habitat, and establish and protect a family's forest legacy. Because of their vital role in the supply chain, ACF members have been deemed essential workers during COVID-19.

As a condition of membership, every consulting forester must have minimum education and experience levels, complete the Practice of Consulting Forester course, and most importantly, agree to adhere to the organization's stringent Code of Ethics.

For more information about ACF, log onto www.acf-foresters.org.

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About ACF

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