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## Women's Forest Congress UPDATE

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### Register Now for September 8 WFC Virtual Gathering

[REGISTER NOW](#) to join the Women's Forest Congress Steering Committee, Advisory Council, and Working Groups on September 8, 2021, as we "Inspire, Empower & Build." Come to listen, learn, and contribute to the five themes of the Women's Forest Congress:

- Leadership for Equity & Inclusion
- Workforce Opportunities for Increasing Recruitment, Retention & Leadership
- Women as Catalysts for Change
- Addressing Today's Greatest Forest Challenges
- Supporting Each Other

We'll hear from inspirational speakers and panelists to inspire and empower our growing community, followed by group work to build deeper community connections and begin planning the 2022 in-person Congress.

Registration is free but limited to the first 300 individuals who register, so [save your space](#) today.

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### WFC Blog

This month's [blog](#) features Mindy S. Crandall, Assistant Professor of Forest Policy at Oregon State University. Dr. Crandall addresses "Why does it matter if a forester is a woman?" and the importance of gender diversity in the forest sector. Her response to the question is spot-on: "I believe it does matter. I believe different people bring different tools to the table. The

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## WFC Women in the Lead!

Congratulations to Rita Hite on being named the next President and CEO of the American Forest Foundation. Rita is also a founding member of the WFC Steering Committee and will be the "first woman to lead American Forest Foundation and further its conservation agenda." We wish outgoing President and CEO Tom Martin all the best in his next chapter.

[Learn more.](#)

Congratulations to Forest Resources Association President and WFC Advisory Council Member [Deb Hawkinson](#) - named President of the Washington Industrial Roundtable (WIRT), a DC-based executive-level organization, for the 2021-2022 program year starting in September! Deb is the first woman to serve as president in WIRT's 76-year history!

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## Get Social with WFC

Join our LinkedIn Group to network with Women's Forest Congress supporters and advocates. If you are active on LinkedIn, look for and join the "[Women's Forest Congress Networking Group](#)." We welcome your engagement in this new networking space to discuss issues of importance to us all. Share articles of importance, job announcements, upcoming events of interest, best practices/tips & tricks, or simply meet new people in the forest community. Join the conversation and invite others to join us.

The Women's Forest Congress is also active on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#), in addition to [LinkedIn](#). We have pages/profiles on each channel and share content relevant to the forest community and women's issues, so like, follow and share with your network and tag with #WeAreWFC.

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## Fun Fact of the Month

#DYK - [Women's Equality Day](#) is Thursday, August 26; however, it's not a holiday or even nationally recognized. Guess our equality has a way to go!

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