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E. GLEN WORRELL, JR WINS VIRGINIA FORESTRY ASSOCIATION'S OUTSTANDING MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

RICHMOND, VA —E. Glen Worrell, Jr. of Staunton is the recipient of the 2019 Virginia Forestry Association (VFA) Outstanding Member of the Year Award. Worrell was presented with the award on Thursday, May 2, at the 2019 Virginia Forestry Summit in Norfolk, Virginia. The Outstanding Member of the Year Award, given continuously since 1949 by VFA, is for recognition of individual, outstanding contributions in the area of conservation, utilization and enhancement of Virginia's forest resources. The specific contributions of the individual selected for this award must be significant and noteworthy and result in a positive continuing impact on the Association, the public, and/or the greater forestry community of the Commonwealth.

For over twenty years, Worrell has been a productive member of both VFA and Virginia's forestry community. After graduating from Virginia Tech in 1992 (B.S.) and attending graduate school, he began working for National Resource Consultants in 1994. National Resource Consultants was purchased by F&W Forestry Services in 1996. Worrell joined VFA in 1995, and began serving on the Board of Directors in 2003. He later went on to serve as Vice President of VFA in 2010, chairing the summit planning committee, and then serving as President in 2011. Worrell finished his work in the Presidential trio in 2012 as Past President, chairing the nominations and personnel committees. Since his presidency, Worrell volunteered on a variety of committees and task forces with VFA. Presently, Worrell serves as Chair of the inaugural VFA Advisory Council, helping staff and current VFA leadership to devise a plan for the Council.

Glen Worrell is also active in the Commonwealth's forestry community outside of VFA and finished his term in March 2019 as Chair of the Governor-appointed Board of Forestry. He currently serves as Vice President of the Virginia Tree Farm Foundation, Secretary and Treasurer of the Virginia Chapter of the Association of Consulting Foresters (ACF), and on the Board of the Virginia Forestry Educational Foundation. He recently participated on the Stakeholder's Group for the new Timber Theft legislation. "Glen Worrell serves in many leadership roles and has gone above and beyond in fulfilling his duties on almost every existing committee and Board VFA has to offer," say fellow VFA members John Gee and Greg Scheerer. "He has had a significantly positive impact on Virginia's forestry community."

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About Virginia Forestry Association:

Founded in 1943, the Virginia Forestry Association (VFA) is a not-for-profit organization with the mission of representing Virginia's diverse forestry community and promoting the sustainable use and conservation of forest resources to ensure their long term social benefits for all Virginians. VFA consists of a diverse membership, including forest landowners, foresters, forest products businesses, loggers, forestry consultants, and a variety of individuals and groups who are concerned about the future well-being of Virginia's forest resources and are willing to collaborate for the good of the industry. VFA seeks to be the unifying voice of Virginia's forestry community through advocacy, outreach, and communications that enhance the public's perception of the industry. Learn more at www.vaforestry.org.