**Empire State Forest Products Association** 117th Annual Meeting Booklet Regional Presentations September/October 2021



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# **2021 ESFPA Virtual Regional Meetings**

## **Regional Meeting Agenda**

- Call To Order—John K. Bartow, Jr., ESFPA Executive Director
- Chair's Message—Michael McLarty
- Regional Presentation
- Executive Director's Report
- Election of Directors for ESFPA Board



### **ESFPA 2021 VIRTUAL Regional Meeting Schedule**

### **Registration Required**

#### September 27th, 6:30 pm- 8 pm —Central, New York

Topic: Forest Carbon Accounting and the Role of Wood Products in Addressing Climate Change

Moderator: Bob Malmsheimer Panelists: Colin Beier, Tristan Brown, Tim Volk

#### September 28th, 6:30 pm- 8 pm — Southern Tier

Topic: NYS DEC Lands & Forests—Invasive Species & Forest Health

Moderator: Rob Davies and Justin Perry

Panelists: Thomas Allgaier, Dept. of Ag & Markets — Spotted Lanternfly Maria MoskaLee, DEC DLF — Beech Leaf Disease Jason Denham, DEC DLF — Hemlock Wholly Adelgid Rob Cole, DEC DLF — Gypsy Moth and Oak Wilt

#### October 4th, 6:30 pm– 8 pm — Adirondack/North Country

Topic: Real American Wood Campaign and Hardwood Federation Update

Speaker: Linda Jovanovich, RAHC Representative Dana Cole, Hardwood Federation, Executive Director

#### October 5th, 6:30 pm- 8 pm —Hudson Valley/Catskill

Topics: Programs and Marketing Ideas for the Industry

Speaker: Tom Pavlesvich and Heather Hilson—Watershed Ag Programs Charles Laing—NYC DEP Forestry Programs (Tentative) Jim Waters—Building Loggers Income Stream (BLIS) Workshop

#### October 7th, 11 am—1 pm—Statewide, Full Membership

Topics: Federal Climate Change Legislation and How it May or May Not Impact State Climate Efforts Speaker: Rita Hite—President, AFF Michael Reed—VP Policy and Advocacy, AFF

**Registration is required for ALL Virtual Meetings**. Registration links will be emailed to members as well as open to all from links on www.esfpa.org.



# Message from Board Chair Michael McLarty

hen Muriel recently asked me to write a letter for our regional meeting sup-

plement my response was "I thought I just did that"; she reminded me the last time she asked was a year ago. Where has the time gone and how could one year go by so quick? I remind myself that time does just that and in fact it was a concept we discussed as an organization and a board early in 2020 in what was the deepest and darkest point of the Covid-19 pandemic. Our discussions included doing what was necessary at the time to support our membership, taking one day at a time and slowly the situation would improve; "time would speed by" and eventually we would be back to normal. Our journey back to normal took a big leap forward this past spring as vaccines became available, national Covid-19 rates dropped, mask mandates were removed and almost all parts of the economy returned. That roaring return of the economy however has come with a new set of challenges that face our industry.

Reflecting on the past 6 months, few could have guessed the theme of the day would be "shortages"; shortages in labor, shortages in certain materials, and shortages in many things we took for granted pre-pandemic. One year ago who would have guessed that this year it would be difficult to buy a pickup truck, purchase a bicycle, get a 2X4 at a reasonable price or even reopen a restaurant. A mix of broken supply chains and well-intended, but fraught with pitfalls, public policy from 2020 has given us a new set of challenges for 2021 and likely into the first half of 2022. It is under this backdrop of current challenges I am even more excited about our industry and organization as we move forward. I take that back; under any challenges ahead, not just the current ones, I am excited. The past success in 2020/2021 has demonstrated that we, as an industry in New York, can survive and thrive no matter what challenge is placed in front of us and I firmly believe our trade association has and will play a major role in that success. ESFPA is made up of three distinct parts, our staff, the board of directors and the members. I sincerely thank each and all of you for your contributions this year and in years to come.

Our annual and regional meetings our now upon us and as part of those meetings we will be gathering your thoughts and priorities that we as the organization should focus on in 2022 to best serve you. I hope all of our members have an opportunity to participate in at least one regional meeting. However, if you are unable to attend, please reach out to a Board member or our staff and share with them your thoughts and concerns. Your individual voice and participation is critical and your membership makes ESFPA stronger and our voice relevant in the policy arena. More than ever, we need your support to ensure that your voice is heard.

### **ESFPA Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual**

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	Jan - Aug 21	Budget	% of Budget
Income			
400 · Membership			
401 · Membership Dues			
401A · Uncollectible Member Dues	-17,158.08		
401 · Membership Dues - Other	179,254.46	254,810.00	70.359
Total 401 · Membership Dues	162,096.38	254,810.00	63.625
402 · Employee Participation Dues	3,118.25	5,600.00	55.689
Total 400 · Membership	165,214.63	260,410.00	63.449
410 · Contribution Income			
411 · Contributions	1,618.28	2,307.56	70.139
Total 410 · Contribution Income	1.618.28	2,307.56	70.135
420 · Grant Revenue			
423 · Grant - HAB	24,208.34	0.00	100.05
427 Grant -EDI Intern 2021	6,000.00	0.00	100.01
Total 420 · Grant Revenue	30,208.34	0.00	100.05
440 · Other Program Revenues	50,200.04	0.00	100.07
441 · Forestry Awareness Day	0.00	1.000.00	0.05
446 · Publication - Advertising fees	1,000.00	3,000.00	33.335
Total 440 · Other Program Revenues	1,000.00	4,000.00	25.09
450 · Management Fees	1,000.00	4,000.00	20.07
450 management Fees-Affiliates	23,833.28	41,686.00	57,179
452 · Management Fee-SFI	3,326.91	3,370.00	98.725
454 · Management Fee - Biomass	100.28	300.00	33.439
		45.356.00	60.15
Total 450 - Management Fees 470 - Interest Income	27,260.47 34.30	68.00	50.449
	34.30	06.00	00.44
480 · Expenses Allocated to Grants	1,245.46	0.00	100.05
482 · Expenses Allocated to HAB			
Total 480 · Expenses Allocated to Grants	1,245.46	0.00	100.05
490 · Miscellaneous Income	4.08	0.00	0.05
498 · NYLT Workshops 499 · Miscellaneous Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.05
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Total 490 · Miscellaneous Income	4.08	0.00	0.05
Total Income	226,585.56	312,141.56	72.599
ross Profit	226,585.56	312,141.56	72.59%
Expense			
500 · Salaries	115,827.76	176,331.22	65.695
510 · Payroll Related Costs			
511 · FICA	8,860.83	13,489.34	65.695
512 · State & Fed Unemployment	1,026.80	335.00	306.519
514 · Workers Compensation Insurance	569.56	990.00	57.535
515 · Disability Insurance	63.42	115.00	55.155
516 · Retirement	2,846.82	4,353.18	65.49
517 · Employee Benefit-not Pension	1,120.00	1,680.00	66.675
Total 510 - Payroll Related Costs	14,487.43	20,962.52	69.119
520 · Insurance	2,392.81	4,125.82	58.0%
600 · Occupancy Expense			
601 - Rent	20,000.00	30,000.00	66.67%
602 - Utilities	3,205.41	3,100.00	103.49
604 - Landscaping	0.00	0.00	0.05
606 - Snow Removal	2,160.00	3,240.00	66.675
607 · Trash Removal	643.76	940.00	68.495
608 · Water & Sewer	450.80	557.00	80.935

# **ESFPA Profit & Loss Budget vs. Actual** Page 2

	Jan - Aug 21	Budget	% of Budget
609 - Other Occupancy Expense	578.88	950.00	60.94%
Total 600 · Occupancy Expense	27,038.85	38,787,00	69.71%
610 · Donations	21,000.00	00,101.00	00.7176
610 - Donations - Other	0.00	0.00	0.0%
Total 610 · Donations	0.00	0.00	0.0%
620 · Grant Expenses	0.00		
623 · GrantHAB	24,208.34	0.00	100.0%
626 Grant- WDI Inteemship	6,000.00	0.00	
Total 620 · Grant Expenses	30,208.34	0.00	100.0%
640 · Other Program Expenses	00,200.01	0.00	
641 · Forestry Awareness Day	0.00	1,000.00	0.0%
644 - Other Program Expenses	268.81	500.00	53.76%
Total 640 · Other Program Expenses	268.81	1,500.00	17.92%
650 · Newsletter/Education Pieces	2,747.85	10,000.00	27.48%
660 · Membership Dues/Sponsor Expense	7,000.28	7,900.00	88.61%
670 · Travel	1,000.20	1,800.00	00.0176
671 · Fuel, Mileage, Tolls	857.16	4,000.00	21.43%
672 · Rooms & Meals	323.03	3,500.00	9.23%
673 · Air, Train, Taxi Fare	0.00	1,700.00	0.0%
Total 670 - Travel	1,180.19	9,200.00	12.83%
680 · Meetings			
681 · Board/Committee Meetings	0.00	600.00	0.0%
682 · Regional Meetings	0.00	1,500.00	0.0%
684 - Other Meetings	595.53	600.00	99.26%
685 · Recognition Awards	216.00	100.00	216.0%
686 - Convention Meeting	0.00	500.00	0.0%
Total 680 · Meetings	811.53	3,300.00	24.59%
690 · Contracted Services			
691 · Accounting Fees	1,693.60	1,600.00	105.85%
692 · Payroll Service	902.16	1,333.00	67.68%
693 · Legal Fees	1,400.00	3,000.00	46.67%
699 · Other, Contracted Service	25.91	105.00	24.68%
Total 690 · Contracted Services	4,021.67	6,038.00	66.61%
710 · Office Expenses			
711 · Office Supplies	1,584.52	2,000.00	79.23%
712 · Office Equipment	5,102.02	7,800.00	65.41%
713 · Subscriptions	8,016.09	12,210.00	65.65%
714 · Bank Charges	15.00	150.00	10.0%
717 · Credit Card Fees	1,609.20	1,300.00	123.79%
718 - Tech Support	3,000.00	4,500.00	66.67%
Total 710 - Office Expenses	19,326.83	27,980.00	69.12%
720 · Communications			
721 · Telephone/Internet	1,592.09	2,500.00	63.68%
722 · Website	0.00	0.00	0.0%
720 · Communications - Other	1,489.69	1,037.00	143.65%
Total 720 · Communications	3,081.78	3,537.00	87.13%
730 · Postage and Delivery Service	2,668.20	2,500.00	106.73%
790 · Miscellaneous Expense	188.80	0.00	100.0%
Total Expense	231,251.13	312,141.56	74.09%
Net Income	-4,665.57	0.00	100.0%



# **Executive Director's Report John K. Bartow, Jr.**

he Empire State Forest Products Association (ESFPA) has fought for you, your businesses, and your employees for 117 years. We remain committed to our mission to advocate on behalf of forest landowners, wood product manufacturers and those professionals that harvest and manage our forests and support wood product manufacturing throughout New York State. We are on the political front lines in Alba-

ny and Washington D.C. advocating on behalf of our members to the Executive Chamber, in Congress and the New York State Legislature and in the administrative agencies who execute programs and regulations that impact your businesses and employees. We are fighting every day so that you can have a successful tomorrow.

In this report I want to highlight what I see are the most significant items we are dealing with in 2021 and what we see looking forward.

#### **Organizationally**

I want to thank the ESFPA Board of Directors, officers and all our members for your continued support and guidance for your Association. Despite not being able to meet in person with both the Board and our members we have held numerous virtual meetings and webinars on topics important to all of you and we held our second virtual Forestry Awareness Days. We had hoped to resume in-person meetings this fall but the Delta variant and rise in caseloads across New York has just not allowed us to do so. We hope that later this fall or winter we can be gathering and have some degree of normalcy.

We have fully launched our new membership and advocacy software and web services. You all should have the latest member survey and if you have not yet please complete online or in paper form and get it back to us. These tools will greatly enhance or services to you as well as our advocacy efforts and having this information is key to success.

We have also had some staffing changes this year. After nearly 6 years with ESFPA Janet retired in mid-March and Joann Flynn Wayne has taken over as our new bookkeeper and office manager. We can't thank Janet enough for her years of service and we are extremely pleased to have Joann on our team. Muriel has been working hard on New York Logger Training, our new membership and advocacy programs and on our enhanced communications. We have continued our weekly E-news and quarterly ENVOYS. Muriel has also worked Jim Waters, our contractor for logger training and we continue to offer training in-person for our loggers to obtain and maintain their logger certification.

#### COVID-19

Our offices at the Forestry Resources Center have been open fulltime since March following a year of remote work. Out technology saved us last year and it continued to improve as we returned to the office. We all know how challenging technology can be, but it is the future for us at work and as an Association.

In 2021 ESFPA's top priority have been engaging the forest products sector in navigating COVID-19 and in keep-

ing your businesses open while we work on economic recovery. Keeping COVID mandates out of the workplace and minimizing the regulatory impact of any number of legislative proposals from the HERO Act to attempts to have COVID eligible for Workers Compensation has been a challenge. Our collaborative efforts with the Business Council of NYS, the New York Federation of Independent Businesses and the NY Farm Bureau have created a united front of business interests to manage through the pandemic. Keeping our sector designated as "essential businesses" avoided you from have to "PAUSE NY" and we provided guidance on planning that was necessary for RE-OPEN NY. For 18 months you and your businesses have remained open and operational unlike so many other businesses around the State. This work and recovery are far from done but we remain committed to getting through this and ensuring our members know what they need to be doing while still running their businesses. This is just one-way ESFPA provides a great return on investment!

#### **Financially**

On pages 4 to 5 you can see our Profit & Loss/Budget vs. Actual statement. As you can see for 2021, we have some small losses, but we will finish the year strong, and we have money in the bank. For 2022 we will be looking at our dues structure and fees to ensure that we remain strong for years to come. We need your help to continue the fight. Your financial support and active engagement are vital as we continue efforts to give the forest and wood products community a voice in Washington and Albany on policies that impact the bottom line. We strive to ensure our value to members is our number 1 priority. As members assess where they allocate their limited resources, we hope that ESFPA performance is recognized and valued.

#### <u>Politically</u>

To say that we live in interesting times and that thing s have changed is an understatement for 2021. Nationally, we have the Biden-Harris administration hitting the ground running and stumbling. A host of new appointments, some of which remain unfilled, have made the needs for briefings on our sector even more important. Our work and engagement with the American Forest Foundation (AFF), American Forest & Paper Association (AF&PA), National Alliance of Forest Owners (NAFO) has allowed you voices to be heard within this new administration. We serve on several of these boards and committees that helps shape our sectors position across the country.

And in New York, what a whirlwind. With the resignation of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the elevation of Kathy Hochul as New York's 57<sup>th</sup> and first female Governor we usher in a new Executive team in Albany and a lot of new briefings and policy positions that need to be conveyed. We have hit the ground running these past few weeks and will continue as Governor Hochul makes her transition.

#### <u>Issues</u>

In 2021 the top priorities for ESFPA have been to engage our sector in economic recovery from the pandemic and linking the industry's sustainability and environmental stewardship to carbon reduction goals of the Climate Leadership & Community



Protection Act (CLCPA). As noted above the economic recovery from COVID remains a focus for us.

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### **Executive Director's Report Continued**

I along with several other members worked on the Agriculture & Forestry Advisory Panel to the Climate Action Council to come up with recommendations for both mitigating and adapting to climate change and achieving the CLCPA aspirational targets for 2030 and 2050. Our forests and the harvested wood products we produce are well positioned to be a "natural solution to climate change". As part of the upcoming regional meetings, we will be briefing our members on where we are at in this process and what we will be working on for the next several months. In January 2022 the Climate Action Council will be realizing a draft "Scoping Plan" for implementing the CLCPA.

In addition, we will continue to advocate on additional issues and Legislation that impact our forests and wood product manufacturers. On pages 9 to 11 you can see the list of priority legislative proposals that we worked on in 2021 and will continue to work on in 2022.

#### Looking Forward

2022 is going to have significant economic challenges nationally and for New York. While we received a lot of federal aid to alleviate COVID-19 financial impacts in 2021, we still face a State structural deficit in the neighborhood of \$6 - \$8 billion. Federally, we are spending and borrowing money which is triggering inflation which is bound to hit us. Sooner or later, this will hit our economy and we will have to face the cost moving forward. This will be challenging in this era of make business and the rich pay.

2022 will also be a continuation of Climate Change. New York will work all year on completing the Scoping Plan called for in the CLCPA. There are literally hundreds of recommendations and programs to achieve the ambitious goals of renewable energy deployment and Greenhouse Gas reductions of 40% by 2030 and 85% by 2050 and net zero emissions by 2050.

If what we are hearing of late in the "integration analysis" which the Council is undertaking ow and from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, what is being proposed in New York is not enough and we will need to be more accelerated in implementing recommendations and deeper in GHG reductions. We will be fighting for our manufacturers, businesses, and forest landowners to both minimize impacts on our sector as well as to advance markets and the role that our forests and harvested wood products bring to climate solutions.

Nationally, the Biden-Harris administration is just beginning o to frame their climate change policies and framework. Also, Congress is anxious to get in place some climate legislation while the Democrats have majorities on both the Senate and House of Representatives. We will be working with our Congressional Delegation directly and with our national affiliates on federal climate proposals.

But none of this work can happen without the support of our members and dedication of our Boards, staff, and families. For this I am personally and professionally grateful. On behalf of our Board of Directors and staff I want to let you know that we all look forward to working with all of you next year!



# 2021-2022 Legislative Priorities

ESFPA is monitoring over 200 legislative bills that have been introduced in the 2021-22 New York Legislative Session. Of these we prioritize those that we either support or oppose and draft memorandum on them, craft and advocacy campaign with our member and affiliate organizations and actively lobby for their passage, to stop them or seek a Governor's veto. We have had our successes and our losses in 2021. The following highlights our efforts on some of our priorities, most of which will be active in 2022.

**Constitutional Amendment for the Right to Clean Air and Clean Water and a Healthful Environment,** Concurrent Resolution of the Senate and Assembly to amend Article I of the State Constitution (Bill of Rights). This legislation (A. 1368/S. 528) has now passed two consecutive Legislatures and will be on the November 2021 Ballot. This proposed constitutional amendment would provide that clean air and water and a healthful environment are treated as fundamental rights for New Yorkers and necessary to protect the overall health of the people and the environment. A self-executing provision of the Constitution that creates a legally enforceable right and standing to every citizen of the State.

**Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) Act,** (A. 5801 and S. 1185-C) would mandate a major shift of responsibility and cost of recycling from municipalities to producers of paper, plastic and metal recyclable products is not moving this Session. The Senate led this proposal (S. 1185-C) and had included it in their one-house legislative budget resolution. As similar but not same as bill (A. 5801) was never advanced in committee. Our thanks to national and State affiliates including AF&PA, The NY Farm Bureau and Business Council of New York State for all their efforts in backing our position on paper and paper-based packaging.

**Climate & Community Investment Act (CCIA),** (A. 6967/S. 4264) sold as the revenue mechanism to the 2019 Climate Leadership & Community Protection Act (CLCPA), this legislation is also not moving this session. We have reported on this a lot the past few weeks and testified in May on the impacts this legislation would have on the wood products manufacturing sector and forests in general. This is a complex and broad bill and will be revisited in the 2022 session along with a host of other climate financing related proposals. The problem is not so much financing climate mitigation and adaptation as it is how the CCIA allocates proceeds.

**Clean Fuel Standard (CFS),** (A. 862-A/S. 2962-A) is a technology neutral consumer financed mechanism for clean fuels and electrification of the transportation sector. ESFPA among other trade associations, environmental organizations and academics was part of the Clean Fuels Coalition that worked across party lines to advance this legislation. The bills allowed for biofuels and we continue to support the proposals. Along with the CCIA, this legislation was tabled along with a host of climate related proposals. ESFPA has concerns about the number of climate financing proposals and just how cumulatively they will impact industry and forests.

**30 X 30 Land Acquisition Policy**, (A. 5390-B and S. 4629) would have established a goal of protecting 30% of the State's land area by 2030 through a combination of acquisition (fee and easement) and programmatic conservation (e.g., RPTL 480a) ultimately did not move after Assemblywoman Fahy amended (A, 5390-B) to remove private working lands from being included in the conservation measure. ESFPA supported Senator Kaminsky's version (S. 4629) which did include working lands in the effort. We will continue to work on supporting the role that working forests and farms bring to landscape conservation, addressing climate change and creating natural resource-based economies.

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### 2020-2021 Legislative Wrap Up Continued

**Freshwater Wetlands Act Amendments,** (A. 7850/S. 5116-C) would have amended the Act to make maps educational and informative and that each regulated wetland would have to be flagged before permitting. As originally written the bill eliminated the 50+ year exemption for silviculture activities. We successfully got an amended version of the Legislation. S. 5116-C passed the Senate on May 24<sup>th</sup>, but ultimately did not pass in the Assembly.

**Stream Bills,** (A. 6652/S. 4167) would add all Class C streams (4,000 miles) to the DEC Protection of Waters regulatory program did not pass either house and was recommitted to the respective Environmental Committees. We remain hopeful that we can negotiate an amendment that would provide an exemption for agriculture and silviculture like what we now have for wetlands.

**Birds & Bees Act,** (A. 7429/S. 699-B) would prohibit and limit the use of noenicitinoids in most cases has passed the Senate. There is language that would allow the Commissioner of DEC to allow the use of neonicotinoids for treating invasive species, but it is not clear that it would apply to forest uses such as for Hemlock Wholly Adelgid. The Senate sponsor, Senator Brad Hoylman, and his staff tell us that yes, the amendments they included would allow this but in reading the bill it really is not clear. We were not able to get better language. S. 699-B passed the Senate but did not get reported out of Committee in the Assembly.

**Deforestation-free Procurement Act,** (A. 6872/S. 5921) would have prevented state agencies from procuring products made from wood and fiber from Boreal forests, is not moving this session. ESFPA, AF&PA, SFI Inc. and the Canadian Forest Products Association worked hard to convince sponsors Senator Liz Krueger and Assembly Member Kenneth Zebrowski on the poor merits of this legislation and that these forests are among the most sustainably managed and environmentally protected forests on the globe. We will be working with both sponsors over the summer on getting this legislation stalled permanently. A similar bill in California was amended to remove Boreal Forests.

Adirondack Forest Management and Clear Cut Legislation, (A. 5731/S. 4007) would require forest management plans, subject to the approval of the Department of Environmental Conservation, for certain lands subject to a conservation easement purchased by the State and forbids clearcutting on such lands without such forest management plan; also changes the jurisdiction of the Adirondack Park Agency over clearcutting on all lands from clear cuts of 25 acres to 5 acres. ESFPA has objected to this legislation for 3 Legislative sessions and it did not get reported from committees in 2021. We have been told by the lea sponsors that this is just a "shot across the bow", but we remain convinced that some environmental groups want the state to have more control over timber harvesting throughout the Park.

Adirondack Conservation Design Act, (A. 4074/S. 1145) would amend the Adirondack Park Agency Act in relation to changing the way the Agency reviews larger subdivisions by proposing to preserve ecological integrity, wildlife and open space in the Adirondack Park. According to the lead sponsors and environmental advocates for this legislation, the purpose of this bill is to require land planning that minimizes roads and driveways; preserves valuable ecological resources such as wetlands; preserves large intact forest tracts for protection of wildlife habitat and biodiversity; and, minimizes the impact

### 2020-2021 Legislative Wrap Up Continued

zones individual buildings. ESFPA was successful in getting amendments to this legislation that allows forest management and timber harvesting on private lands as it is now within the Adirondack Park.

**Community Preservation Funds**, which would authorize individual towns and cities to adopt real estate transfer tax revenue mechanisms to then purchase lands within their municipalities, including forests. These have been enacted as one-offs for individual towns (e.g., Newburgh in 2020) and two more Hudson Valley towns, Blooming Grove and Chester, had legislation passed by the Senate and Assembly this year. A proposal (A. 7632/S. 7041) to enact this statewide thereby allowing any city or town to adopt a Community Preservation Fund did not get passed this year. ESFPA has expressed concern that these proposals are to "preservation" focused and do not value and could threaten working forests and farms. A similar recommendation for these funds is within the Land Use and Local Government Advisory Panel of the Climate Action Council.

**Carlos's Law,** (A. 4947/S. 621) which would make it a felony crime against a business owner or supervisor who created an unsafe work environment in which a worker was injured. A. 4947 passed the Assembly but at the last minute failed to pass the Senate.

### **2021 ESFPA Board of Directors**

#### ESFPA Executive Committee

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### **2022 Slate for ESFPA Board of Directors**

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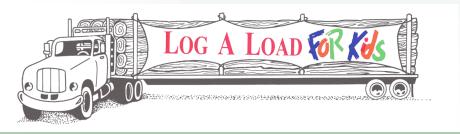
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- Utica
- Albany
- Rochester
- Elmíra
- Watertown
- Queens
- Burlington, VT.



### Log-A-Load Update

Over the years your donations have helped create miracles for countless local children and their families, some of whom are part of our forest industry family. Due to the virus our major fundraising events such as the NYS Woodsmen's Field Days in Boonville have been cancelled but the children and their family's needs have not gone away. We're asking you to dig deep into your pockets and give to Log a Load and benefit the Children's Miracle Network Hospital of your choice. Please make your checks to the Empire State Forestry Foundation (ESFF) and mail them to: 47 Van Alstyne Dr. Rensselaer, NY 12144 **Or you can VENMO your donations to @LogALoad-ESFPA, code 1441**. Donations through the Empire State Forestry Foundation are 100 % tax deductible. We greatly appreciate your help in making even more miracles possible this year.



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