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**ICE STORM AND FOREST CONFERENCE**

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**POSTER SESSION**

A poster session will be held on January 28 and 29, 2003.

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A block of rooms has been reserved for participants at the Delta Hotel in Sherbrooke. Each participant must mention the title of the conference when making his or her reservation before December 31, 2002.

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**CONFERENCE**

**Ice storm and forest:  
Where do we stand five years later?**



Photo: Louise Innes, MRNQ



**JANUARY 28-30, 2003**

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## CONTEXT

In January 1998, 2 million hectares of forest were damaged by the ice storm that hit southwestern Quebec. This natural disaster also hit the northeastern United States and southwestern Ontario. To help people affected by the ice storm, the ministère des Ressources naturelles du Québec (MRNQ), together with Natural Resources Canada (NRCan), set up different assistance programs. The ice storm mobilized the population and both the federal and provincial governments, and it also generated a fair amount of interest in the scientific community. Several research protocols were thus developed to study the impact of the 1998 ice storm on the forest and its components.

Five years later, what should we remember from this tragedy? Will our freshly acquired knowledge allow us to manage the forest differently? How did woodlot owners cope with this event? Which conclusions must we draw from the assistance programs designed to help them? Here are some examples of the questions this conference will strive to answer.

## OBJECTIVES

- To present the results of research on the impact of the ice storm on the forest.
- To synthesize and evaluate the assistance programs offered to owners.
- To transfer the knowledge acquired to forest stakeholders so that they will be better prepared to deal with such an event.

## TARGET AUDIENCES

- Managers
- Foresters
- Maple syrup producers
- Private woodlot owners
- Other stakeholders involved in the sustainable management of forests

## PROGRAM (preliminary)

### TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2003

- 8:00 a.m. Reception and registration  
10:00 a.m. Opening speech

#### **BLOCK 1: IMPACT OF THE ICE STORM ON WILDLIFE**

- 10:15 a.m. Forest insects  
11:00 a.m. Birds  
11:45 a.m. Lunch

#### **BLOCK 2: PHYSIOLOGY & MAPLE SYRUP PRODUCTION**

- 1:30 p.m. Impact on defence mechanisms and vigour recovery  
2:15 p.m. Impact on tree growth  
3:00 p.m. Break  
3:30 p.m. Impact on sugar stocks  
4:15 p.m. Impact on maple stands' sap flow  
5:00 p.m. Cocktail (poster presentation)  
7:00 p.m. Dinner and evening on your own

### WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29, 2003

- 8:00 a.m. Registration (for the day)  
8:45 a.m. Introduction

#### **BLOCK 3: FOREST STANDS**

- 9:00 a.m. Impact on regeneration  
10:30 a.m. Break  
11:00 a.m. Impact on the tree stratum  
11:45 a.m. Lunch  
1:30 p.m. Impact on the tree stratum (continued)  
2:15 p.m. Managing stands affected by the ice storm  
3:00 p.m. Break

## PROGRAM (continued)

- 3:30 p.m. Long-term perspectives  
4:15 p.m. End of scientific presentations  
4:30 p.m. Cocktail (poster presentation)  
7:00 p.m. Dinner and evening on your own

### THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 2003

- 8:00 a.m. Registration (for the day)  
8:45 a.m. Introduction  
9:00 a.m. Synthesis of scientific presentations

#### **BLOCK 4: ICE STORM PROGRAMS**

- 9:30 a.m. Assessment of forest programs (silvicultural aspect and biodiversity)  
10:00 a.m. Results of the ice storm forest programs evaluation  
10:30 a.m. Break  
11:00 a.m. Assessment of the assistance program for tap losses

#### **BLOCK 5: ASSISTANCE PROGRAM BENEFICIARIES**

- 11:30 a.m. A maple syrup producer's point of view  
12:00 noon A forest producer's point of view  
12:30 p.m. Lunch

#### **BLOCK 6: DISCUSSION**

- 1:30 p.m. Learning from experience: What should we do differently?  
3:00 p.m. Closing speech

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<b>1 day</b>	\$100	\$50	\$125	\$65

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