

INSTITUTION OF FIRE ENGINEERS; CANADA BRANCH

CUTTING THROUGH THE MYTHS OF FOREST FIRES IN CANADA

23
JUNE
Noon to 1:30 PM

AGM AND VIRTUAL EDUCATIONAL EVENT

IFE Canada Members: FREE Non IFE Members: 25.00

Registration Details at: www.ife.ca

Who Should Attend?

- · CEMC's
- Emergency Managers
- AH J's
- Fire Protection Engineers
- Training Officers
- Firefighters
- · Emergency Planners and more

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From an early age, we are all taught that fire is bad. Nothing good comes from fire, or so we are told, and that includes fire in the wildlands. But when we speak of Canada's boreal forest, nothing could be farther from the truth. Without fire, we wouldn't have the boreal ecosystem or, perhaps, any ecosystems at all. We need fire on the landscape so we must, therefore, learn to coexist with fire.

ATTENDEES WILL:

- ✓ Learn about the historical and current environment for wildfire risk in Canada
- √ Gain knowledge about how wildfires impact communities
- ✓ Learn what can be done to make communities more resilient to wildfires

This event qualifies for 1.0 Continuous Professional Development Credits

IFE Canada Annual General Meeting will follow at 1:30 PM



R. GLENN MCGILLIVRAY, MA,

Managing Director of the Institute for Catastrophic Loss Reduction (ICLR), Adjunct Professor, Disaster & Emergency Management, Grad Program, York University

R. Glenn McGillivray, Managing Director of the Institute for Catastrophic Loss Reduction (ICLR) will review the many myths and misconceptions surrounding the hazard of wildland fire in Canada. He will discuss current trends with regard to fire, including taking a look at some of the larger wildfire losses Canada has experienced in recent history. He will also look at the work currently being done to better understand how wildland fire enters communities and what can be done to prevent losses of structures during "interface" fire events.