



CONTRACTOR SUSTAINABILITY REVIEW MEETINGS HAVE BEGUN

On August 15, 2018, the ILA's Contractor Sustainability Review (CSR) Committee comprised of Randy Spence, ILA chairman and a logging contractor; John Drayton of Gibraltar Law Group, ILA director; Tim Menning, ILA director and contractor; and myself, held its first meeting with the CSR's facilitator, Dan Miller. It was our first one-on-one meeting, with further group meetings planned in the immediate future with licensees, logging associations and contractors to review our concerns covering contractor sustainability.

Save the dates! The Interior Logging Association's 61st Annual Conference & Trade Show will be held on May 2-4, 2019.

Again, the City of Kamloops has been chosen for our conference. The inside & outside display areas will be located at the Tkemlúps te Secwépemc Powwow Grounds. The Interior Safety Conference will partner with us again and hold their conference on May 2, 2019 at the Coast Kamloops Hotel & Conference Centre. All of our seminars and functions will be held at one location, also at the Coast Kamloops Hotel & Conference Centre. Information on the event will be available early February 2019.

Our first Log Loader Operator Contest this year was a great success, with the first prize of \$750 going to Taylor Casman, of Pritchard, the second prize of \$500 went

to Matt Larson, Canal Flats and the third prize of \$250 to Shawn Schmidt of Kamloops. We are looking forward to our second annual contest and having Ryan Bremner of Northface Grapple Tips as our Log Loader Committee chairman. Most 2018 competitors have already asked to be re-registered for the second competition and more operators are looking forward to signing up. I would like to thank Chris McGuire of Brandt Tractor Ltd., Kamloops for supplying their John Deere Log Loader, as well as the \$1,500 prize money for the two-day log loader contest.▲

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