



UNIVERSITY of WASHINGTON

School of Forest Resources

February 19, 2010

To: Faculty, School of Forest Resources
From: Tom Hinckley, Interim Director
Re: Corkery Family Chair in Forest Resources

Colleagues,

The assignment of the Corkery Family Chair in Forest Resources to a faculty member becomes available on June 16, 2010. The Corkery Family has been extraordinarily generous to the School with the Chair and the Bare Professorship (recently awarded to Professor Gordon Bradley).

In addition to donor expectations, described in each endowment agreement, our policy is to award such professorships and chairs to faculty who advance the School's mission, vision, and strategic themes. Faculty eligible to receive consideration must be outstanding scholars and leaders as evidenced by recent performance evaluations.

The terms of these chairs and professorships are for an initial period of three years which, based upon documented satisfactory performance, may be extended for a final period of two additional years. In specific instances, faculty may continue to receive the endowment beyond five years, but in no case will we award an extension beyond ten years.

Acting with the advice of the Elected Faculty Advisory Council (EFAC) and the Director's Council, the Director nominates a faculty candidate to the Dean who then takes the nomination to the Provost. Finally, the Provost carries the recommendations to the Regents on behalf of the President.

“The Corkery Family Chair in Forest Resources shall be filled by candidates who have achieved national and/or international recognition in the field of forest resources, and who are expected to make contributions to the advancement of teaching and research in the economic, social, or ecological



sustainability of the world's forest resources. They may include current members of the faculty, individuals being recruited for a faculty position, or visiting faculty members.”

We expect to award one to two faculty the Corkery Family Chair in Forest Resources on June 16, 2010. As a first step in identifying appropriate candidates, I would like to open the floor for nominations, including self-nominations. Please give consideration to someone you believe will use the Chair to meet donor wishes, advance the School's mission, vision, and strategic themes, and who possesses the highest level of scholarship and demonstrates a high level of academic and professional leadership and commitment. This should include working with a broad cross-section of individuals, integrating their work with others within the School as well as with others in the University and the broader stakeholder and academic communities. Nominations must also include a current CV and a 1-2 page statement indicating how the recipient intends to use the Chair position.

All nominations should reach the Office of the Director no later than 5:00 p.m. on February 26, 2009. Shortly thereafter, the director will request the EFAC, acting as a nomination review committee, to review all nominations received and recommend one or more candidates to him for further review and action. The Director will then prepare a letter of rationale and support and submit his recommendation to Interim Dean Dennis Hartmann.