Resolution of Endorsement—ESF’s Digital Future

Whereas: the future of higher education is likely to be shaped significantly by rapidly changing technological developments in the creation, distribution, and marketing of information and media.

Whereas: to advance the College’s mission, the College must strive to meet the challenges posed by this rapidly changing digital future, and to meet them in a way that sustains the College’s traditions of excellence in teaching, research and service.

Whereas: recognizing this challenge, the Technology Committee of College-wide Governance has undertaken a review of the College’s current technology profile as it pertains to teaching, research and outreach, to determine how well-equipped the College is to meet the digital future, and has compiled its findings in the document titled “ESF’s Digital Future.”

Whereas: the Technology Committee of Faculty Governance has concluded that, despite the College’s technological strengths, the College’s technology profile does not currently equip the College to meet its digital future.

Whereas: the Technology Committee has compiled a broad suite of recommendations that it believes should guide a strategic initiative for equipping the College to constructively meet its digital future.

Therefore be it resolved: The faculty of the College of Environmental Science and Forestry endorses “ESF’s Digital Future” as a strategic planning document that should guide all members of the College community as the College advances to its digital future.