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CNLA and CSLA Launch a Canadian Landscape Standard

(OTTAWA) – March 16th, 2016 – The Canadian Nursery Landscape Association and the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects are pleased to announce the release of the **Canadian Landscape Standard** (CLS) First Edition. Based on the highly successful British Columbia Landscape Standard, the CLS is a single, authoritative resource for landscape construction projects across Canada. For the first time, there is a national guideline to set the standard of landscape work in every province across the country.

Volunteers in every province reviewed the CLS to ensure that it is user-friendly and represents conditions of landscape work in all climatic and geographic regions, making the CLS relevant and applicable to all regions of Canada and available in both official languages. The national CLS Steering Committee will remain in place to develop new sections and continually revise and update the document to ensure its accuracy and relevance. The CLS was designed for use by anyone who specifies scopes or bids on landscape work, including landscape architects, landscape designers, landscape contractors, grounds maintenance contractors and government procurement parks departments at all levels. As a benchmark standard for the landscape horticulture industry, the CLS will be an indispensable tool to the success of any landscape project that is designed, built and maintained to this nationally-recognized standard.

“This remarkable collaboration between the BCLNA, BCSLA, CNLA and the CSLA has successfully produced a nationally unifying set of landscape standards,” said Christene Stenhouse LeVatte, past President of the CNLA and Chair of the CLS Steering Committee, *“with the goal to effecting better designed, built and maintained green spaces for our Canadian neighbourhoods, communities, towns and cities.... from coast to coast.”*

To obtain a copy of the Canadian Landscape Standard (CLS), please visit the CLS web page: <http://www.csla-aapc.ca/standard>

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The Canadian Society of Landscape Architects (CSLA) is a professional organization with over 1,900 landscape architects as members represented by provincial and territorial associations plus academic programs across the country. The CSLA’s mission is to be the voice of landscape architecture in Canada.

The Canadian Nursery Landscape Association (CNLA) is a national not-for-profit federation of ten provincial horticulture associations, representing over 3,800 members in the landscape, retail garden centre, and nursery sectors.

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