

## **FOREST STEWARDSHIP PLAN #684 AMENDMENT FOR THE ADDITION OF A FOREST DEVELOPMENT UNIT IN THE BOUNDARY TIMBER SUPPLY AREA REVIEW AND COMMENT INFORMATION**

Tolko's Southern Interior Woodlands has an approved Forest Stewardship Plan (FSP) #684 that encompasses the Kamloops, Merritt and Okanagan Timber Supply Areas (TSA), Tree Farm Licence #49 and a portion of the Arrow TSA. Each of these areas are a Forest Development Unit (FDU) where timber harvesting and road construction activities may occur during the period of the plan. This amendment is for the addition of an FDU in the western portion of the Boundary TSA. In 2019, Tolko made a volume transfer agreement with Weyerhaeuser and obtained a licence for approximately 25,000 m<sup>3</sup>/year Annual Allowable Cut in the Boundary TSA. Tolko's current operating areas are in the Tuzo Creek area located Southwest of Beaverdell and in the Rendell Creek area in the Christian Valley.

The public, stakeholders, First Nations and other interested parties may provide comments specific to Tolko's planned amendment to include the Boundary FDU with the relevant results, strategies and measures in to FSP #684. The proposed amendment will be available for review and comment from August 28th to October 30th, 2020 at Tolko's office listed below. Hours of viewing will be between 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday excluding holidays\*.

<b>Tolko Southern Interior Woodlands Office - Address &amp; Location</b>
4280 Hwy 6, Lumby BC V0E 2G7 (located 5 km west of Lumby)

*\*Note: Due to COVID-19 restrictions, arrangements to view the amendment must be made ahead of time and may include viewing options other than at the Tolko office.*

Interested persons can schedule an appointment by calling Jamie Skinner, RPF at 250-318-3779 or email [jamie.skinner@tolko.com](mailto:jamie.skinner@tolko.com) . All written comments must be received before 4:00 pm PDT October 30th to be considered for this amendment. The FSP and associated maps are available for viewing online through Tolko's website at:

<http://tolkowoodlands.com/southern-interior/>

## FSP Amendment

Tolko intends to submit “FDU #6- Boundary” to mimic the same R/S and Measures as currently approved for “FDU #5-Arrow”. Note: A review of the Stocking Standards and LMH #70 will be required to determine if any additional BEC variants and site series are required.

Results or Strategies common to all FDU’s (including FDU #6)

The results or strategies and corresponding objectives that are common to all FDU’s are:

- 5.1 Timber
- 5.2 Soils
- 5.5 Water, Fish, Wildlife and Biodiversity within Riparian Areas
- 5.6 Retention of Trees in a Riparian Management Zone
- 5.13 Water in Community Watersheds
- 5.14 Wildlife and Biodiversity – Landscape Level
- 5.15 Wildlife and Biodiversity – Stand Level
- 5.19.3 Visual Quality in Scenic Areas with a VQO
- 5.20 Cultural Heritage Resources
- 5.22 Interpretive Forest Sites, Recreation Sites or Recreation Trails

Measures common to all FDU’s (including FDU #6)

As required by FPPR, measures have been specified that are common to all FDU’s:

- 6.1 Invasive Plants
- 6.2 Natural Range Barriers

FDU #5-Arrow (FDU#6-Boundary proposed to be identical)

Along with the results or strategies and corresponding objectives that are common to all FDU’s, the results or strategies and corresponding objectives that are applicable to FDU #5-Arrow are:

- 5.3.6 Flammulated Owl
- 5.3.9 Coeur d’Alene Salamander
- 5.11 KBHLPO Consumptive Use of Streams
- 5.16.2 Biodiversity Emphasis
- 5.16.4 KBHLPO Old and Mature Forests

Non- Applicable Kootenay Boundary Higher Level Plan Order Objectives

The Kootenay Boundary Higher Level Plan Order identifies specific areas or resource management zones that may not occur within an FDU. FRPA Section 5(1)(b)(ii) provides that where these areas do not pertain to the area subject to the plan, (i.e. where they do not occur within an FDU) the objective does not apply.

The following KBHLPO objectives do not pertain to this FSP:

- Objective 3 [Caribou] has been cancelled by Ministerial Order dated January 8, 2009.

- Objective 2(4) [MS and IDF BEC units and Lodgepole Pine], as these BEC units do not occur within the FDU #5-Arrow.
- Objective 4(1)(iv) [Green-up in fire-maintained ecosystems]. as fire-maintained ecosystems have not been identified in objective 8(d).
- Objectives 5(1) and (2) [Grizzly Bear Habitat], as map 5.1 has not been made available.
- Objective 8 [Fire-maintained ecosystems], as map 8.1 has not been made available.
- Objective 9 [Visuals], as a GAR order made effective December 31, 2005 established scenic areas and visual quality objectives in the Arrow TSA that cancel and replace the areas identified as scenic areas on KBHLPO Map 9.1.
- Objective 10 [Social and Economic Stability], as the Ministry responsible for forests, through FPPR section 12(7), has exempted the FSP holder from the requirement to specify a result or strategy for this objective.

Tolko FDU6 - Boundary Location Map

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