

Definitions

Definitions appearing in the body of this *FSP* are presented in *italics* for ease of recognition.

In this *FSP*, unless this *FSP* specifies, or the context requires otherwise:

1. **“Act”** means the *Forest and Range Practices Act* RSBC 2002, c.69;
2. **“adjacent”** as defined in *FPPR* 65(1) means “an area that is sufficiently close to a *cutblock* that, due to its location, could directly impact on, or be impacted by, a forest practice carried out within the *cutblock*”;
3. **“administrative boundary”** means features including but not limited to private property lines, area-based tenure boundaries, protected area boundaries, or boundaries associated with the buffer of an inventory permanent sample plot that may influence primary forest activities;
4. **“agreement”** means an agreement listed in Paragraph **Error! Reference source not found.**, unless this *FSP* no longer applies to that agreement;
5. **“agreement holder”** is defined in *FPPR* section 1 and “means a holder of an agreement under the *Forest Act*, other than a woodlot *licence*” and for the purpose of this *FSP*, applies to the agreement holders listed in Paragraph **Error! Reference source not found.**, or any successor or assignee of that *agreement*, unless this *FSP* no longer applies to that agreement holder;
6. **“applicable SAR notice”** means
 - (i) a notice issued under *FPPR* section 7(2) entitled:
 - a) “NOTICE – INDICATORS OF THE AMOUNT, DISTRIBUTION AND ATTRIBUTES OF WILDLIFE HABITAT REQUIRED FOR THE SURVIVAL OF SPECIES AT RISK IN THE ARROW BOUNDARY FOREST DISTRICT” dated December 30, 2004;
 - b) “NOTICE – INDICATORS OF THE AMOUNT, DISTRIBUTION AND ATTRIBUTES OF WILDLIFE HABITAT REQUIRED FOR THE SURVIVAL OF SPECIES AT RISK IN THE OKANAGAN SHUSWAP FOREST DISTRICT” dated December 30, 2004;
 - c) “NOTICE – INDICATORS OF THE AMOUNT, DISTRIBUTION AND ATTRIBUTES OF WILDLIFE HABITAT REQUIRED FOR THE SURVIVAL OF SPECIES AT RISK IN THE CASCADES FOREST DISTRICT” dated December 30, 2004;
 - d) “NOTICE – INDICATORS OF THE AMOUNT, DISTRIBUTION AND ATTRIBUTES OF WILDLIFE HABITAT REQUIRED FOR THE SURVIVAL OF SPECIES AT RISK IN THE HEADWATERS FOREST DISTRICT” dated December 30, 2004; or
 - (ii) The undated document entitled “BACKGROUND INFORMATION FOR WILDLIFE HABITAT FOR SPECIES AT RISK OBJECTIVES UNDER THE KAMLOOPS LAND AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN, IN THE KAMLOOPS FOREST DISTRICT”.
7. **“BEC”** means Biogeoclimatic Ecosystem Classification;
8. **“CP”** means a Cutting Permit;
9. **“current”** means, in the context of an *FSP*, timber sale *licence*, *CP* or *RP*, an approved document that has not expired or been replaced;
10. **“cutblock”** means an area:
 - (i) in which a holder of a *Licence* has harvested timber under a *CP* or timber sale *licence*; or
 - (ii) in which a holder of a *Licence* is authorized to harvest timber but where harvesting has not occurred;
11. **“dbh”** means diameter breast *height*, a standard method of expressing the diameter of the bole of a tree, generally measured at a *height* 1.3 metres above the point of germination.
12. **“established cutblock”** means a *cutblock* that has been:
 - (i) harvested under a *licence* to which this *FSP* applies;
 - (ii) declared under this *FSP*;
 - (iii) included within a *current CP* issued under a *licence* to which this *FSP* applies, whether the *CP* is or is not subject to this *FSP*; or
 - (iv) identified spatially in the BC Geographic Warehouse as a *cutblock*:
 - a) harvested under a timber sale *licence* or *major licence* to which this *FSP* does not apply; or
 - b) included in a timber sale *licence* or *current CP* issued under a *major licence* to which this *FSP* does not apply.

13. **“established road”** means a *road* that has been:
- (i) constructed under a *CP* or *RP* issued under or associated with a *licence* to which this *FSP* applies;
 - (ii) declared under this *FSP*;
 - (iii) included within a *current CP* or *RP* issued under or associated with a *licence* to which this *FSP* applies, whether the *CP* or *RP* is or is not subject to this *FSP*;
 - (iv) identified spatially in the BC Geographic Warehouse as a *road*:
 - a) constructed by a person other than a *holder* of this *FSP*; or
 - b) included within a *CP* or *RP* issued in respect of a *Licence* to which this *FSP* does not apply.
14. **“FDU”** means a Forest Development Unit;
15. **“Forest Act”** means the Forest Act R.S.B.C. 1996, c.157;
16. **“forested area”** means an area of crown forest identified in the *VRI* as contributing to the forest management land base, as indicated by the Forest Management Land Base Indicator attribute. This attribute indicates whether a polygon is forested or has been forested and is capable of producing a stand of trees. Polygons classified as lakes, rock, alpine, shrub and wetland are not considered *forested area*.
17. **“FPC”** means the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act R.S.B.C. 1996, c. 159 and all regulations there under;
18. **“FPPR”** means the Forest Planning and Practices Regulation B.C. Reg. 14/2004;
19. **“FRPA”** means the **“Act”** and the regulations there under;
20. **“FSP”** means a Forest Stewardship Plan;
21. **“FSP holder”** or **“holder”** means the *agreement* holders listed in Paragraph 3.1, or any successor or assignee of that *agreement*, unless this *FSP* no longer applies to that *agreement holder*;
22. **“fuel hazard mitigation treatment”** or **“FHMT”** means the agreement holder is completing road construction and harvesting activities near a community with the primary objective of reducing the wildfire risk of crown fires by removing trees to increase the inter-tree spacing for the remaining mature trees in the harvest area. A minimum of 20% of the pre-harvest basal area will be retained over the FHMT harvest area.
23. **“GAR”** means the Government Actions Regulation B.C. Reg. 582/2004;
24. **“government”** means the *government* of British Columbia;
25. **“height”** means the average *height* of a specified *forested area*, as confirmed by *VRI* data or a survey that is available to or completed by the *FSP holder*.
26. **“initial silviculture activities”** means, for the following activities on a *cutblock*, the activity that is completed last:
- (i) site preparation;
 - (ii) debris pile burning; or
 - (iii) initial reforestation, including tree planting or direct seeding.
27. **“KBHLPO”** means the Kootenay Boundary Higher Level Plan Order, established pursuant to *FPC* sections 3(1), 3(2), and 9.1, objectives of which are continued under section 93.8 of the Land Act as objectives established by the *minister* under section 93.4 of the Land Act, and effective October 26, 2002;
28. **“KHLPO”** means the Kamloops Higher Level Plan Order, established pursuant to section 93.4 of the Land Act, and dated Jan 8, 2009;
29. **“KLRRMP”** means the Kamloops Land and Resource Management Plan;
30. **“legislated planning date”** means:
- (i) subject to Clause (ii), the date 4 months before the September 8, 2023 date of *FSP* extension submission; or
 - (ii) if an enactment or an objective set by *government* requires that a date different than the date referred to in Clause (i) be applied under this *FSP*, then that different date;
31. **“licence”** means an agreement under the *Forest Act*;
32. **“major licence”** has the meaning given to it under the *Forest Act*;
33. **“minister”** means the *minister* responsible for the *Forest Act*;
34. **“net area to reforest”** or **“NAR”** has the meaning given to it in *FPPR* section 1 (2);

35. **“OGMA”** means an Old Growth Management Area as defined in Paragraphs **Error! Reference source not found.**, **Error! Reference source not found.**, and **Error! Reference source not found.**;
36. **“OSLRMP”** means the Okanagan-Shuswap Land and Resource Management Plan;
37. **“OSLRMP LUO” or “LUO”** means the *“PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA, ORDER OF THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND LANDS ESTABLISHING OBJECTIVES SET BY GOVERNMENT IN THE AREA COVERED BY THE OKANAGAN-SHUSWAP LAND AND RESOURCE MANAGEMENT PLAN IN THE OKANAGAN SHUSWAP FOREST DISTRICT”*, established pursuant to section 93.4 of the Land Act, and effective March 1, 2007;
38. **“practicable”** means that which is feasible or performable in the circumstances, when the balance of all relevant factors (such as environment, social, economic, safety, usefulness) is considered;
39. **“primary forest activity”** has the meaning given to it in *FPPR* section 1, and “means one or more of the following:
- (i) timber harvesting;
 - (ii) silviculture treatments;
 - (iii) wildlife habitat enhancement;
 - (iv) road construction, maintenance and deactivation”;
40. **“proposed wildlife habitat area”** means an area that is:
- (i) located outside of an *established cutblock* or *established road*; and
 - (ii) identified by the ministry responsible for environment in a review and comment referral package provided to the *FSP holder* not less than 12 months prior to a cutting authority application or amendment over that area, as being under consideration for establishment as a *wildlife habitat area*;
41. **“qualified professional”** means a registered member in good standing with a professional association whose training, ability and experience makes the member professionally competent in the relevant area of practice;
42. **“range agreement”** means a grazing tenure held by a *range agreement* holder and issued under the *Range Act* or *Land Act*. Spatial and attribute data for *range agreements* are housed in the BC Geographic Warehouse.
43. **“road”** has the meaning given to it in *FPPR* section 1;
44. **“RP”** means a *road* permit;
45. **“S6L”** means a stream as defined in *FPPR* section 47(3b) [*Stream riparian classes*], where the year-round wetted stream width is greater than 1.5m.
46. **“safety hazard”** means a situation or circumstance the *holder* determines to be a potential source of harm to workers based on WorkSafe BC regulations and policies, or the general public. *Safety hazards* include but are not limited to danger trees (snags), inadequate visibility, falling objects, steep slopes, or unstable terrain;
47. **“scenic area”** has the meaning given to it under *FPPR* section 1;
48. **“THLB”** means Timber Harvesting Land Base as defined in the Timber Supply Review document for the Timber Supply Areas applicable to this *FSP*;
49. **“timeline”** means, in regard to an *FSP* result or strategy referral provided by the *FSP holder* to a First Nation or stakeholder, the length of time specified in the referral that provides a reasonable opportunity for review and response. A referral response must be received by the *FSP holder* within the *timeline* specified in the referral in order to be considered as part of the result or strategy. The *timeline* will be:
- (i) 60 days for First Nations;
 - (ii) 30 days for stakeholders; or
 - (iii) another length of time where agreed to with a First Nation or stakeholder, or as indicated in a notice published in a newspaper.
50. **“TSA”** means a timber supply area;
51. **“VRI”** means Vegetation Resource Inventory, the photo-based inventory data of the BC provincial forest which is housed in the BC Geographic Warehouse. The *VRI* data that is relevant to specific *FSP* results or strategies is the version of *VRI* that is available not less than 18 months prior to cutting authority application or amendment;
52. **“wildlife habitat area” or “WHA”** as defined in *FPPR* section 1 “means a *wildlife habitat area*
- (i) continued under section 180 (b) [grandparenting specified designations] of the *Act*, or

- (ii) established under the *Government Actions Regulation*".