

Wildlife and Biodiversity – Landscape Level

Source of Objective: <i>FPPR</i> section 9
The objective set by <i>government</i> for wildlife and biodiversity at the landscape level is, to the extent <i>practicable</i> , to design areas on which timber harvesting is to be carried out that resemble, both spatially and temporally, the patterns of natural disturbance that occur within the landscape.
Applicable <i>FDUs</i>: #1-Kamloops, #2-Merritt, #3-Okanagan, #4-TFL 49, #5-Arrow, #6-Boundary
Source of Objective: <i>KBHLPO</i> Objective 4
To provide for more cost-effective timber harvesting based on section 68(4) of the Operational Planning Regulation (OPR), establish the green-up <i>height</i> as 2.5 metres for areas adequately stocked and 3.0 metres for areas not adequately stocked, based on the criteria in the regulations, except in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. community watersheds; ii. visually sensitive areas to be defined and determined by the District Manager, Ministry of Forests (MOF), within known <i>scenic areas</i> as identified in objective 9; iii. Enhanced Resource Development Zones - Timber as identified in objective 7 and iv. the specified fire-maintained ecosystems as identified in objective 8(d).
Applicable <i>FDUs</i>: #5-Arrow, #6-Boundary
Source of Objective: <i>KBHLPO</i> Objective 7 (2)
Pursuant to section 68(4) of the OPR, the green-up <i>height</i> for ERDZ-T's as shown on Map 7.1 is established as successful regeneration of <i>cutblocks</i> provided this is consistent with any landscape unit patch size objectives that are established for any landscape unit that incorporates the ERDZ-T.
Applicable <i>FDUs</i>: #5-Arrow, #6-Boundary

Definitions

For the purposes of this result or strategy:

"existing cutblock" as defined in *FPPR* section 65(1) "means a cutblock that was previously harvested under an agreement other than a minor tenure";

"new cutblock" as defined in *FPPR* section 65(1) "means a cutblock on which harvesting has not yet started and that is *adjacent* to an existing cutblock";

"non-conforming portion" means an area within an existing cutblock for which the stocking and height requirements of paragraph 0 (3) have not been met.

Result or Strategy for Wildlife and Biodiversity – Landscape Level

Applicable *FDU*'s: #1-Kamloops, #2-Merritt, #3-Okanagan, #4-TFL 49, #5-Arrow, #6-Boundary

In relation to the objective for wildlife and biodiversity at the landscape level that is set out in *FPPR* Section 9, *KBHLPO* Objective 4, and *KBHLPO* Objective 7(2), and consistent with the exemption provided by *FPPR* sections 12.4(1) and (2), the *FSP holder*:

1. adopts as a result *FPPR* section 64(1) [*Maximum cutblock size*] as that section was on the *legislated planning date* of this *FSP*;

2. will not harvest timber on a *new cutblock* unless:
 - a) all *existing cutblocks* that are *adjacent* to the *new cutblock* meet the requirements set out in subsection 3, or
 - b) the combined area of the *new cutblock* and any non-conforming portions that are immediately *adjacent* to the *new cutblock* does not exceed the requirements relating to cutblock size set out in *FPPR* section 64(1) [*maximum cutblock size*];
3. for the purpose of subsection 2(a), an *existing cutblock* must meet the criteria set out in one of the following paragraphs:
 - a) at least 75% of the net area to be reforested of the *existing cutblock* is stocked such that the average height of the tallest 10% of the trees on the area is the minimum height established in Table 0, and
 - (i) is stocked in accordance with the applicable stocking standards for that *cutblock*, as described in Part 7 of this *FSP*; or
 - (ii) stocked with at least 700 trees per hectare of a commercially valuable species that are at least 1.3 metres in height;
 - b) the part of the net area to be reforested of the *existing cutblock* that is closest to the *new cutblock*
 - (i) must be at least half of the net area to be reforested,
 - (ii) is stocked such that the average height of the tallest 10% of the trees on the area is the minimum height established in Table 0;
 - (iii) is stocked
 - A. in accordance with the applicable stocking standards for that *cutblock*, as described in Part 7 of this *FSP*, or
 - B. with at least 700 trees/ha of a commercially valuable species that are at least 1.3 m in height; and
4. Subparagraph 2 does not apply if *FPPR* sections 64 (2), (3) or (4) (as those sections were on the *legislated planning date* of this *FSP*), apply to the *new cutblock* or if the timber harvesting is being carried out to complete a *fuel hazard mitigation treatment*.

Table 0 Green-Up Heights	
<i>FDU</i>	Tree height to replace <i>FPPR</i> section 65(3)(a) 3m height
#1-Kamloops	3 metres
#2-Merritt	3 metres
#3-Okanagan	2 metres, as specified in the District Manager letter of September 26, 2001 entitled "Re: 2 metre Green-up height".
#4-TFL 49	2 metres, as specified in the District Manager letter of September 26, 2001 entitled "Re: 2 metre Green-up height".
#5-Arrow, #6-Boundary, within ERDZ-Timber	The <i>height</i> of successful regeneration for areas adequately stocked, as specified in <i>KBHLPO</i> Part 2, Objective 7.
#5-Arrow, #6-Boundary, within scenic areas and Community Watersheds and Connectivity Corridors	3 metres, as specified in <i>KBHLPO</i> Part 2, Objective 4(1).

#5-Arrow, #6 Boundary, excluding ERDZ-Timber, scenic areas, and Connectivity Corridors	2.5 metres, as specified in <i>KBHLPO</i> Part 2, Objective 4(1).
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