SITE PLAN CP 408 BLOCK 6 **COOPER CREEK CEDAR LTD.**

A. TENURE IDENTIFICATION

| LICENCE NO.: | CP: | BLOCK: | TIMBER MARK: | UTM: | LICENSEE NAME: |
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| FL A30171 | 408 | 6 | FE5408 | 497362E , 5576611N | Cooper Creek Cedar (CCC) |
| AREA UNDER TENURE (ha): 34.5 | MAPSHEET 82K035 | /OPENING #: | ELEVATION: 750 – 830m | LOCATION: Greyhorse | |

| | | | | A | REA OF N | O PLANNE | D REFORESTATION | (ha) (NPR) | | | |
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| PERMANENT ROCK ACCESS - 1.6 - | | ROCK | WATER | SWAMP | OTHER NP | NC>4ha | WILDLIFE TREE RETENTION AREA (HA): | IMMATURE | OTHER (NP Brush |) | TOTAL NPF AREA |
| | | - | - | - | - | 4.9 | - | - | | 6.5 | |
| | | | | | NE. | AREA TO | BE REFORESTED (F | na) | | | |
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| С | Aspe slope poor subh Root Aver | es. Slope ly draine nygric to h ting depth rage stan C has Se | theast to Nes range from the coal of the c | om 2 – 35% rse fragmer I nutrient re all species) ils. | 6. Surface at content p gime is rich | and subsoi present in su n. Humus fo to SU A. | ver to middle, with main I soil texture is Silty Clurface and subsoil horiorm is a thin mull (4.5 or and a clearcut silvicul | lay Loam (SiCL). izons. Moisture ro cm thickness on a | Soils are egime is | | 2.2 |
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| | | | | | | | TOTAL NET | AREA TO BE REI | ORESTED: I | | 28.0 |

SOIL DISTURBANCE

| | DIGITALITY | | | |
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| SU | Max. Allowable Soil Disturbance (%) | Max. Amount TAS May Exceed MASD Prior to Rehab (%) | Max. Allowable Soil Disturbance For Roadside Work Areas (%) | Maximum Permanent Access Structures (%) |
| Α | 10.0 | 5.0 | | |
| В | 10.0 | 5.0 | 25.0 | 4.6 |
| С | 5.0 | 5.0 | | |

| SU | CRITICAL SITE CONDITIONS THAT AFFECT THE TIMING OF OPERATIONS AND HOW THEY AFFECT THEM |
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| A, B, C | Avoid machine travel during periods of soil saturation to reduce soil compaction and soil displacement risk. Use designated harvesting trails during summer months, or a supporting snow pack in the winter. |
| | Spot piling along roadsides, landings, and within the NAR may be necessary to remedy high levels of coarse woody debris. |

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RESULTS AND STRATEGIES

| Biodiversity Objectives Result or Strategy Description | 3.5.3 - Old and Mature Forest | | | |
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| Applies: | YES | | | |
| How the Result or Strategy Applies to the Site (or Rationale if it does not apply) | 'KBHLP Objective 2 – Old & Mature Forests' 'KBHLP Objective 5 – Connectivity' Field data collection found this block to be ICH mw2, and the block lies within Connectivity Corrid For the ICH mw2, there is a Mature + Old forest requirement in this landscape unit (K17), and the Old forest target is met with OGMA area. Analysis completed by Timberland (Sept 6, 2018) shows that post-harvest there will be a surplus Mature + Old within the Landscape Unit ICH mw2 as a whole, and also within connectivity corridor | | | |
| Result or Strategy Description | 3.5.3 - Green-up | | | |
| Applies: | YES | | | |
| How the Result or Strategy Applies to the Site (or Rationale if it does not apply) | 'KBHLP Objective 4 – Green-up' – The proposed cutblock is consistent with FPPR Section 65(2). | | | |
| Result or Strategy Description | 3.5.1 - Objectives set by Government for Biodiversity – Landscape Level | | | |
| Applies: | YES | | | |
| How the Result or Strategy Applies to the Site (or Rationale if it does not apply) | Biodiversity Emphasis. 'KBHLP Objective 4 – Green-up' The proposed cutblock and adjacent cutblocks comply with Sections 64 and 65 of the FPPR. | | | |
| Cultural Heritage Resources | | | | |
| Result or Strategy Description | 3.7 - Objectives set by Government for Cultural Heritage Resources | | | |
| Applies: | YES | | | |
| How the Result or Strategy Applies to the Site (or Rationale if it does not apply) | A referral letter dated July 11, 2018, for CP 408 development was sent to the appropriate individual(s) and/or group(s). Cooper Creek Cedar Ltd did not receive any comments from First Nations identifying any concerns with the proposed development that had the potential of impacting cultural heritage values. | | | |
| Recreation Resources | | | | |
| Result or Strategy Description | 4.3 - Recreation | | | |
| Applies: | NO | | | |
| How the Result or Strategy Applies to the Site (or Rationale if it does not apply) | The proposed cutblock is not located within a designated Recreational Area or Trail with legal objectives; therefore, managing for Recreation Resources is not applicable. | | | |
| Riparian Management | | | | |
| Result or Strategy Description | 3.4.1 - Objectives set by Government for Riparian Areas | | | |
| Applies: | YES | | | |
| How the Result or Strategy Applies to the Site (or Rationale if it does not apply) | Deception Creek (S3 class) is located within the larger WTRA. See Section E.1 for Riparian Management Strategies. See Section F for management strategies related to Temporary Access Structures and Soil Disturbance that should be used during and post-harvest in order to prevent/reduce soil disturbance and sediment delivery. | | | |
| Soil Objectives | | | | |
| Result or Strategy Description | 3.1 - Objectives set by Government for Soils [FPPR Section 5 and 12.1(1)] | | | |
| Applies: | YES | | | |
| How the Result or Strategy Applies to the Site (or Rationale if it does not apply) | (FPPR Section 35 & 36) SU A and SU B contain Non-Sensitive soils, and soil disturbance will not exceed 10%. SU C contains Sensitive soils, and soil disturbance will not exceed 5%. Specific measures for mitigating soil disturbance levels are addressed under Section F of this Site Plan. Areas of the block where temporary access structures are required will be rehabilitated. Specific rehabilitation measures are addressed under Section F of this Site Plan. PAS will not exceed the recommended limit of 7.0% and is estimated at 4.6%. Areas within the block assigned to roadside work areas will not exceed 25%. | | | |
| Visual Objectives | | | | |
| Result or Strategy Description | 3.6 - Visual Quality | | | |
| Applies: | YES | | | |
| How the Result or Strategy Applies to the Site (or Rationale if it does not apply) | A Visual Impact Assessment for CP 408 was completed by Timberland Consultants Ltd in September, 2018. Portions of two cutblocks (blocks 5 and 7) fall within polygons with a VQO of Modification, and the remaining cutblocks fall within area that is Not Visually Sensitive. Analysis showed that blocks 5 and 7 were only partially visible to non-visible from Highway 31 viewpoints; therefore the proposed development of CP 408 meets the established VQO of Modification. | | | |
| Water Management Objectives | | | | |
| Result or Strategy Description | 3.4.4 - Consumptive Use Streams | | | |
| Applies: | NO | | | |
| How the Result or Strategy Applies to the Site (or Rationale if it does not apply) | 'KBHLP Objective 6' - Block 6 is not located within a domestic watershed, therefore KBHLP objective 6 does not apply. | | | |



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| 3.3.1 - Objectives set by Government for Wildlife - Species at Risk - Section 7 of the FPPR | |
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| NO | |
| The block is not within a Wildlife Habitat Area. There were no sightings of Species at Risk during field development of this cutblock. | |
| 3.5.2 - Objectives set by Government for Wildlife and Biodiversity – Stand Level | |
| YES | |
| (FPPR Section 66 & 67) There are two Wildlife Tree Retention Area planned for this block, totalling 4.9 ha . Overall wildlife tree retention percentage is approximately 14.2% . The WTRA % meets the minimum % requirements stated in the FSP. | |
| 3.3.2 – Ungulate Winter Range | |
| YES | |
| The majority of block 6 (with the exception of a small area at the southern end) falls within designated Ungulate Winter Range unit $350 - E - 75$ (Elk, ICH mw2). Post-harvest the snow interception and early seral requirements will still be met within the UWR unit (38.2% snow interception and 12.3% early seral). | |
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ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

Consistency Statement

This block is consistent with the 2018 – 2023 Forest Stewardship Plan – Cooper Creek Cedar Ltd. Forest Licence A30171, approved January 26, 2018.

This Site Plan is prepared for CP 408 block 6, in accordance with FRPA Section 10(1), (2) & (3).

Community Watersheds

FSP Section 3.4.3

Not applicable - the proposed block is not located within a Community Watershed.

Enhanced Resource Development Zones

FSP Section 3.2.1

'KBHLP Objective 7 - Enhanced Resource Development Zones - Timber'

Block 6 is not within an Enhanced Resource Development Zone. The requirement to create a Result/Strategy for this objective does not apply.

Fire Maintained Ecosystems

FSP Section 3.5.3

'KBHLP Objective 8 – Fire maintained Ecosystems'. There are no NDT 4 ecosystems in the FDUs under this FSP; therefore the fire-maintained ecosystem objective is not applicable.

Fisheries Sensitive Watersheds

FSP Section 3.4.2

At the time the FSP was developed there were no designated "Fisheries Sensitive Watersheds" in FDUs in the FSP, therefore the requirement to create a Result/Strategy for this objective does not apply.

Invasive Plants

FSP Section 4.1 - Invasive Plants

The IAPP website was checked on October 2, 2018. The following invasive species were reported in nearby areas to **CP 408**; Common tansy, Canada Thistle, Chicory, Hawkweed species, Oxeye Daisy, Orange Hawkweed, Spotted Knapweed, St. John's wort, Yellow Hawkweed, and Burdock species.

Measures to prevent the introduction or spread of invasive plants noted in the FSP include:

- Cleaning equipment before moving from a work site with existing infestations to a new work site.
- Minimizing soil disturbance during primary forest activities (PFA).
- Reseed exposed mineral soil, resulting from a PFA in the first available fall or spring within 12 months following the soil disturbance. Plan
 planting of cutblocks as soon after harvesting as possible.
- During PFAs minimize soil disturbance by:
 - harvest on a snowpack, when feasible
 - random skid to designated skid trails to minimize skidder traffic on the ground
 - utilize benches for skid trails to minimize side cuts
 - utilize brush to construct skid trails to reduce contact with the ground
 - use overhead cable harvesting systems on steep ground
- Where grass seeding is undertaken, CCC will use certified grass seed (Canada common #1 or better grade) from reputable suppliers to ensure premium quality free of invasive plant seed, or a seed mix recommended by a MFLRNO range specialist.
- See FSP for additional strategies and practices regarding invasive plants.

Natural Range Barriers

FSP Section 4.2

Not applicable. There are no range tenures located in the FDUs covered by this FSP.

Timber

FSP Section 3.2 - Timber

As per Sec 12(8) of the FPPR, results or strategies are not required for an objective set by government for timber.

Wildlife - Caribou

FSP Section 3.3 and 3.5.3

'KBHLP Objective 3 – Caribou' was cancelled and replaced by *GAR Order #U-14-012 – Mountain Caribou – Southwest Kootenay Planning Unit*. This block does not fall within a Caribou Management Zone.

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Wildlife - Grizzly Bear Habitat - Connectivity

FSP Section 3.3 and 3.5.3

'KBHLP Objective 5 – Grizzly Bear Habitat & Connectivity Corridors'. Not applicable to the FDU which includes this block. **Block 6** falls within Connectivity Corridor area. Applicable targets for Old and Mature forest will be met following harvest.

STOCKING REQUIREMENTS

| SU | NAR | Standards ID # | Other Performance Standards |
|----|------|----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Α | 17.3 | 1057465 | See Section H - Stocking Requirements |
| В | 8.5 | 1057477 | See Section H - Stocking Requirements |
| С | 2.2 | 1057514 | See Section H – Stocking Requirements |

C. MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES & STRATEGIES

C.1 MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES

- Objectives for CP 408 Block 6 include meeting visual quality objectives, protecting streams, and retaining stand structure and forage values for wildlife.
- Harvest this mature stand of <u>Hw Cw (Lw Fd Sx Act)</u> for saw logs, chips and value-added products and manage for healthy, free growing stands of planted and natural Fd Lw Cw Hw (Pw) in SU A, Cw Hw (Fd Lw Pw) in SU B, and Cw Sx (BI Hw) in SU C for similar end products.
- Wildlife Tree Retention Area (WTRA): Two patches are planned for retention, totaling 4.9 ha in size.
- Kootenay Boundary Land Use Plan Implementation Strategy (June 1997): This block is located within Resource Management Zone K-S08 (Lardeau, Cooper and Meadow Creeks Special Resource Management Zone) and within the designated Landscape Unit K17 (Goat Range) High BEO Assignment.

C.2 CONDITIONS THAT MUST EXIST AFTER HARVEST OR TREATMENT TO ACCOMMODATE KNOWN FOREST RESOURCES

C.2a WILDLIFE

Stand Level attributes/ concerns identified:

<u>Ungulate Winter Range</u>: The majority of **block 6** (with the exception of a small area at the southern end) falls within designated Ungulate Winter Range unit 350 – E – 75 (Elk, ICH mw2). Post-harvest the snow interception and early seral requirements will still be met within the UWR unit (38.2% snow interception and 12.3% early seral).

Slope values are low to moderate, with few areas of short steeper slopes in SU A. ICH mw2 site conditions. Aspect is mainly Northeast facing, with short discontinuous slopes. Lower slope landscape location. Vegetation cover is low over most of the unit, with high cover noted in the NE corner (SU C). Existing coarse woody debris levels are low (15 – 45cm diameter) in most areas, with moderate cover existing along block boundaries from blowdown. An S3 stream channel is present inside WTRA-2. Woodpecker activity and fire scarring noted within block boundary.

Stand type is: Hw7Cw2(LwFdSxAct)1. Low densities of Cw Hw (Fd) vets are present, with deciduous snags

Average stand density (all species) is 571 stems/ha. Most stems fall within the 20 - 60cm DBH classes, with <5% of stems in the 65 - 120cm DBH classes. Approximate species densities are Hw 394 stems/ha, Cw 142 stems/ha, Fd 15 stems/ha, Lw 14 stems/ha, Act 3 stems/ha, and Sx 3 stems/ha. The understory contains low densities of Cw Hw regen, saplings and poles that are mostly suppressed and in poor condition. There are also 42 stems/ha of dead Hw Lw Cw Act, mainly in the 25-45cm DBH classes.

Forest cover adjacent to the block includes a mixture of immature stands in cutblocks harvested between 1977 and 2005, interspersed with mature and older stands.

Actions prescribed:

Total Area specified for the retention of wildlife trees: 4.9 ha (14.2% of gross area)

Wildlife Tree Retention Areas (WTRA's):

WTRA-1 (0.3 ha): Hw6Cw4: This WTRA is located on the middle Eastern side of the block and is a narrow receiving area with 111 & 112 site series. Density is 200 – 300 sph; Height range is 28 – 35m; DBH range is 20 – 120cm; Age class is 6 – 7 with older vets. Crown closure is 50%. Hw Cw vets and snags are found throughout, with rot, conk and cavity attributes. Vegetation cover includes devil's club, skunk cabbage, and ferns. Wildlife sign includes ungulate and bear scat, bedding sites, a small game trail, and pileated woodpecker activity.

WTRA-2 (4.6 ha): Cw6Hw54(ActEpLwFdSx): This WTRA traverses through the Northern side of the block, from the upper to lower boundary. Density is 800 – 1000sph; Height range is 25 – 40m; DBH range is 20 – 75cm; Age class is 6 – 7 with older vets. Crown closure is 80%. Cw Hw vets and snags are found throughout, with rot, conk and cavity attributes, and old fire scars. Vegetation cover includes skunk cabbage, devil's club, and ferns. Wildlife sign includes woodpecker cavities, bark stripped Cw, and old beaver activity (two old dams). An S3 stream runs through the middle of the patch, and there are moderate levels of CWD.

WTRA's will provide stand structure values for wildlife, perching and cover values, riparian values, and visual values. Coarse woody debris values will also be created over time from dead and fallen stems.

Snags

Retain safe snags <5m tall in SU A, B and C where operationally feasible. Snags with evidence of wildlife use are preferred.

C.2c FISHERIES

There is one **S3 class** stream (Deception Creek) that flows within WTRA-2. This stream flows in a north to northeast direction and drains to wetland area outside the block. ≥ **70**% of the basal area will be retained within the **20m RMZ** in areas outside the harvest area.

See Section E.1 for Riparian Management Strategies.

C.2d WATERSHEDS

See RESULTS AND STRATEGIES (3.4.4 - Consumptive Use Streams).

C.2e RECREATION

See RESULTS AND STRATEGIES (4.3 - Recreation).

C.2f BIOLOGICAL DIVERSITY

Landscape Unit - K17 (Goat Range): High BEO Assignment.

C.2g VISUAL RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

See RESULTS AND STRATEGIES (3.6 - Visual Quality).

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C.2h CULTURAL HERITAGE

See RESULTS AND STRATEGIES (3.7 - Objectives set by Government for Cultural Heritage Resources).

See section E.5 for Archaeological information.

C.2i RANGE

Not applicable. There are no range tenures located in the FDUs covered by this FSP.

C.2j OTHER RESOURCES

Trapping / Guiding:

Trappers or guiding license holders in the area will be identified and notified through the Forest Stewardship Planning process.

Windthrow:

Windthrow hazard is Very Low for adjacent immature stands where previous harvesting has occurred.

Windthrow hazard is **Moderate** for adjacent mature stands. Mature stands adjacent to the harvest area are similar to more open, with partial components of Lw and Fd (good rooting properties). Adjacent mature stands close to previous harvesting and road openings have already been partially exposed to winds.

The block is medium in size with an irregular, long and narrow shape, and a lower slope location.

Soils in SU A and B are moderately well drained. Rooting depth is 30cm.

Soils in SU C are poorly drained. Rooting depth is approximately 25cm.

CONDITIONS NOT APPLICABLE TO THIS SITE PLAN

THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS WERE CONSIDERED, AND FOUND NOT TO BE APPLICABLE TO THIS SITE PLAN: None identified.

D. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION AND SITE CHARACTERISTICS

| 1 STANDA | RDS UNITS AND CRIT | ICAL SITE CONDITI | ONS | | | |
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| | | | BIOGEO | CLIMATIC | | |
| su | TREATMENT UNIT | ZONE | SUBZONE | VARIANT & PHASE | SITE SERIES | SITE TYPE |
| Α | 1 | ICH | mw | 2 | 101 ⁸ 110 ¹ 104 ¹ | - |
| В | 1 | ICH | mw | 2 | 110 | - |
| С | 1 | ICH | mw | 2 | 114 ⁸ 111 ² | - |

| E. MANA | AGEMENT ST | RATEGIES | 3 | | | |
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| E.1 RIPARIA | AN MANAGEMEN | IT STRATEG | IES | | | |
| RIPARIAN R | ESERVE ZONE (| RRZ) | | | | |
| RIPARIAN/ LAKE ID | RIPARIAN/ LAKE CLASS | HARVEST Y/N | TING S | SU XREF | DESCRIPTION OF THE PURPOSE AND EXTENT OF REMOVAL OR MODIFICATION OF TREES AND ANY RELATED FOREST PRACTICES IN RIPARIAN RESERVE ZONE(S) | |
| Deception Creek | S3-6-1 | N | | | 20m RRZ: No harvesting will take place in the 20m RRZ of Deception Creek. Harvest boundary was located ≥20m from Deception Creek | |
| RIPARIAN M | IANAGEMENT ZO | ONE (RMZ) | | | | |
| RIPARIAN/ LAKE ID | HARVESTING Y/N | SU XREF | | | | |
| Deception Creek S3-6-1 | Y | A, B, C WTRA-2 | the harve | est bounda C. | of the basal area will be retained within the 20m RMZ within WTRA-2 and outside ary. Portions of the 20m RMZ that fall within the block will be harvested as per SU nagement strategies below) | |
| NON-CLASS | SIFIED (NC) RIPA | RIAN AREAS | S | | | |
| RIPARIAN/ LAKE ID | SU XREF | MANAGEME | MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES | | | |
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Section E.1 continued

Riparian Assessment was completed by Timberland in September 2018.

- 1) **Deception Creek (S3):** this well-defined stream channel is located inside WTRA-2. Stream had moderate flow, average channel width of 4.9m (3.5m to 6.5m range), and average gradient of 6%. Cascading falls present throughout with 3 8m wide pools, and fish present in sections. Two old beaver dams were noted. Stream drains into wetland area downslope from the block.
- 2) Fall and skid timber away from riparian features (streams, NCD's, wetland) where practicable. Any debris entering a riparian feature as a result of harvesting will be removed upon completion of harvesting activities unless it does not obstruct water flow or its removal would cause further damage to the riparian feature. Minimize crossings on watercourse channels to the extent possible.
- 3) All machine trails and crossings should be fully rehabilitated upon the completion of harvesting. Excess material that could cause redirection of natural drainage patterns should not be left at crossing locations.
- 4) All surface drainage patterns should be maintained and any that are disrupted as a result of harvesting operations should be restored immediately.
- 5) A post-harvest inspection should be completed to assess the amount of logging debris/excess soil within the wetted perimeter of all subtle drainage features. All natural drainage patterns should be maintained and left free of excess debris (slash or soil) that could result in a redirection of seasonal surface runoff/drainage diversion.
- 6) Basal area retention levels for the in-block RMZ (within the NAR) are based on windthrow, windfirmness, wildlife habitat, water quality, and operational constraints.



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| SU | Code | Nelson Region DRA Risk Factors | Points | Relative Risk | Comments |
| Α, | DRA | Site factors | 8 | Н | Armillaria is absent or present at low levels in this stand. |
| B, C | | Host factors Inoculum potential Disease factors | 3 0 0-5 | L-M L | The Nomographic Zones in Section 3.0 of the "Armillaria Root Disease Management <u>Guidelines for the Nelson Forest Region" (June 1998)</u> indicate that Alternative or Intensive deferred treatments for root disease management are appropriate for this site, should Armillaria become a problem. |
| | | | | | Alternative treatments will include planting (and/or managing for) a species mixture that includes species tolerant and /or moderately susceptible to Armillaria (e.g.: Lw, Cw, Hw, Pw in SU A & B; and Cw Hw in SU C). Fd and Sx (highly susceptible) may be included in the planting mixture but should be limited to a combined maximum of 50% of the mix. Microsite selection should reflect buffer zones around infected stumps, if they can be identified. |
| | | | 11-16 L | L | Hand-pulling (preferred) or pop-up spacing (alternative) should be considered in the future should Armillaria become a limiting factor in meeting regeneration or free growing requirements (see section H). |
| | | | | | Stumping or pushover harvesting treatments are not suitable due to low sign of Armillaria and high to very high soil hazards. |

Other Forest Health Factors

| SU | Code | % | Comments | Current risk to inventory |
|---------|------|----|---|---------------------------|
| A, B, C | IWS | 0 | If Sx is planted in the post-harvest stand, monitor for white pine (spruce) weevil during silviculture surveys. | nil |
| A, B, C | DML | <4 | Lw forms 3% of the current stand density and 4% of the current stand volume. Mistletoe infected Lw snags were noted throughout the block. | nil |
| A, B, C | IBD | <3 | Absent to Very Low incidence of Douglas-fir beetle. Fd forms 3% of the current stand density and 2% of the current stand volume. Most Fd is in the 25cm DBH class, with few stems 55 – 70cm DBH. | nil |
| A, B, C | DSB | 0 | Pw is absent or present in very minor amounts in the current stand. A small amount of Pw may be planted in SU A and B. Plant only rust resistant stock. Expect high incidence of white pine blister rust on any naturally regenerated Pw. | nil |

Expected future risks and actions

A FOREST HEALTH/PEST INCIDENCE ASSESSMENT IS NOT REQUIRED. Forest health information was collected during SP field data collection in **September 2018**.

Future risks include cold temperatures (cool aspect) and wet early spring (low elevation).

SU A, B and C: Average species composition of the pre-harvest stand (stand density) is approximately Hw 69% Cw 25% Fd 3% Lw 3% (Act Sx). Low densities of Hw Cw Fd vets are present in the block, and deciduous snags.

The age of mature trees in the stand, based on ages taken during cruising, is 86 – 175 years (average 108 years).

E.3 VEGETATION MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES

LIVESTOCK TO BE USED FOR VEGETATION MANAGEMENT:

YES: □ NO: 図

Current Brush Hazard:

SU A: Low levels of brush inside harvest boundaries, with few areas of Moderate cover.

SU B: Low levels of brush inside harvest boundaries.

SU C: High levels of brush inside harvest boundaries.

Future Brush Hazard:

SU A: Future hazard is Moderate to High due to mesic moisture conditions and cool aspect. Deciduous (Ep and Ac) in adjacent block expected to reach 10 - 20% cover. Potential competitor species include alder, maple, birch, cottonwood, aspen, thimbleberry, and bracken fern.

SU B: Future hazard is **High** due to subhygric moisture conditions and cool aspect. Deciduous stems noted in adjacent free growing stands. Potential competitor species include alder, maple, birch, cottonwood, aspen, thimbleberry, and bracken fern.

SU C: Future hazard is **High** to **Very High** due to subhygric and wetter moisture conditions, and cool aspect. Herbaceous community already established with high water table. Potential competitor species include lady fern, thimbleberry, alder, maple, birch, aspen, and cottonwood.

Species Complex:

SU A: Current vegetation includes western yew, black huckleberry, baldhip rose, one-leaved foam flower, queen's cup, bunchberry, and prince's pine.

SU B: Current vegetation includes western yew, devil's club, Utah honeysuckle, oak fern, one-leaved foam flower, bunchberry, and prince's pine.

SU C: Current vegetation includes devil's club, beaked hazelnut, western yew, thimbleberry, lady fern, horsetails, oak fern, and skunk cabbage.

<u>Brushing Methods</u>: Should brushing become necessary, manual treatments are the preferred methods.

Anticipated Timing/Constraints: Treatment needs will be assessed through periodic walkthroughs and silviculture surveys. Treatment timing will be prescribed at the time of brush assessment.

Note: Where possible, avoid brushing Vaccinium spp in order to maintain huckleberry picking values, and to maintain forage on site for grizzly and black bears.

E.4 COARSE WOODY DEBRIS (CWD) MANAGEMENT STRATEGIES

CWD levels are mainly **Low** in most areas (5-10% ground cover), with higher levels (blowdown) noted near edges of block boundary (15 – 30% cover). CWD is predominantly composed of 15 - 45cm diameter stems of Hw Cw Sx Lw Ep. Most stems are partially decayed and losing bark.

CWD levels are expected to be Low to Moderate post-harvest. Post-harvest CWD will consist of unmerchantable existing levels and snags, along with residue and breakage. A reduction of CWD levels is anticipated through clean harvesting practices and/or site preparation for planting, if required.

(FPPR Section 68): Retain a minimum of 4 logs per hectare, each being at least 2 metres in length and at least 7.5cm in diameter at one end.

See the SITE PREP section (K.1) for CWD management strategies.

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E.5 ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Archaeological Overview Mapping of the **CP 408** area shows that **block 6** does not fall within a polygon that has a potential rating. An Archaeological Impact Assessment is not required.

F. SOIL CONSERVATION

| | | HAZARD RATINGS | | SOIL CHARACTERISTICS | | | |
|----|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------|--|---------|---------------------------------|--|
| SU | SOIL COMPACTION | SOIL DISPLACEMENT | SURFACE SOIL EROSION | DEPTH TO UNFAVOURABLE SUBSOIL (cm) | | TYPE OF UNFAVOURABLE SUBSOIL | |
| | | | | MIN(cm) | MAX(cm) | | |
| А | High | Moderate | High | 60+ | 60+ | None to 60cm | |
| В | High | Moderate | High | 65+ | 65+ | None to 65cm | |
| С | Very High | High | High | 25 | 25 | Seepage, mottles | |

F.2 SOIL DISTURBANCE LIMITS

SU A: ARE THERE SENSITIVE SOILS? ☐ YES ☒ NO

SUB: ARE THERE SENSITIVE SOILS? ☐ YES ☑ NO

SUC: ARE THERE SENSITIVE SOILS? ☑ YES ☐ NO

MAX. PROPORTION OF TOTAL AREA UNDER THE PRESCRIPTION ALLOWED FOR PERMANENT ACCESS STRUCTURES (PAS): 4.6%

Roadside harvesting and/or temporary landings will be used.

DEACTIVATION OF PERMANENT ACCESS STRUCTURES: Any permanent access structures (e.g.: roads, landings) will be deactivated – debris will be piled & burned; water control will be installed around all landings.

| SU | MAXIMUM ALLOWABLE SOIL DISTURBANCE WITHIN THE NET AREA TO REFOREST (%) | MAXIMUM EXTENT SOIL DISTURBANCE LIMITS MAY BE TEMPORARILY EXCEEDED TO CONSTRUCT TEMPORARY ACCESS STRUCTURES OR EXCAVATED OR BLADED TRAILS (%) |
|----|--|---|
| Α | 10% | 5% |
| В | 10% | 5% |
| С | 5% | 5% |

MASD for Roadside Work Areas: 25%

Any temporary access structures (e.g.: road, landing, excavated or bladed trails) will be rehabilitated to the extent necessary to bring the SU net area back into compliance with the specified soil disturbance limits.

See Section F.4 below for description of temporary access structures and/or excavated or bladed trails, if any.

Avoid harvesting during spring freshet/breakup conditions when soils are saturated, in order to reduce soil displacement and compaction.

Few areas of steep slopes >35% are present in portions of SU A and B, and are noted on the Harvest Plan map.

F.3 REHABILITATION TIME FOR TEMPORARY ACCESS STRUCTURES

 ${\tt MAXIMUM\ ALLOWABLE\ TIME\ TO\ COMPLETE\ REHAB\ (MEASURED\ FROM\ COMPLETION\ OF\ HARVEST):\ \underline{1\ YEAR}}$



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| 4 MAN | AGEMENT STRATEGIES FOR TEMPORARY | ACCESS STRU | CIURES | |
|---------|--|--|---|--|
| SU | GENERAL LOCATION: | MAX ALLOWABLE HEIGHT OF CUTBANKS (m) | AVERAGE HEIGHT OF CUTBANKS (m) | EQUIPMENT TO BE USED (IF OTHER THAN EXCAVATOR) |
| A, B, C | Blading or excavating is expected to occur in parts of the unit with moderate to steep slopes. | 0.8 | 0.3 | Skidder, cat. |

Temporary Landings:

SU A: 5 landings @ 0.2 ha = 1.0 ha SU B: 2 landings @ 0.2 ha = 0.4 ha

- Roadside harvest with landings. Favourable skidding, with areas of adverse skidding at North end of block.
- Potential hand falling on steeper slopes along NW boundary (see HP map).
- If broadcast burn treatment is anticipated, disperse non-merchantable woody debris and slash on site during harvest to enhance fuel levels.
- See Section E.1 for stream management strategies.

The following will apply for any excavated/bladed trails that are required:

- Maximum trail width is 4m.
- Actual dimensions of bladed trails may vary depending on topography.
- The amount of bladed trail constructed will be kept to a minimum.

Short sections that become bladed trails where a non-bladed trail crosses a hump or ridge will be exempt from rehabilitation requirements provided that the soil disturbance limits in this SP are not exceeded.

Rehabilitation for bladed or excavated trails:

Any bladed or excavated trails will be rehabilitated as follows:

- De-compact the trail, including removing or redistributing woody debris that is concentrating subsurface moisture
- · Return displaced surface soils, retrievable side-cast and berm materials on the excavated portion of the area
- · Re-contour the slope
- Re-establish natural surface drainage
- IF soil erosion may cause sediment to enter a stream or wetland, place some woody debris over exposed mineral soils, and revegetate
 exposed mineral soils.

G. SILVICULTURAL SYSTEMS

| G. | SILVICULTURAL STSTEMS | | | | | | | |
|---------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| SILVICU | TURAL SYSTEMS | | | | | | | |
| SU | SYSTEM / VARIANT / PHASE | | | | | | | |
| A, B, C | Clear-cut silviculture system. | | | | | | | |
| SU | STAND STRUCTURE AND SITE CONDITION - COMMENTS | | | | | | | |
| A, B, C | Post-harvest stand structure will be even-aged with one age class. Planted trees and natural regeneration will include Fd Lw Cw Hw (Pw Sx BI) in SU A, Cw Hw (Fd Lw Pw Sx) in SU B, and Cw Sx (BI Hw) in SU C. Wildlife Tree Reserve Areas (WTRAs): 4.9 ha Leave trees No mature leave trees are planned in SU A, B or C. Snags Retain safe snags <5m tall in SU A, B and C where operationally feasible. Snags with evidence of wildlife use are preferred. | | | | | | | |



H. STOCKING REQUIREMENTS (as per DSE South Columbia Default Stocking Standards Version 1.0, April 1, 2018)

H.1 ADMINISTRATION INFO and ASSESSMENT DATES

| Sl Regir | | SU A – 1057465 SU B – 1057477 SU C - 1057514 SU A – I CH mw2 101 SU B - ICH mw2 110 SU C – ICH mw2 114 | | | FREE GROWING ASSESSMENT PERIOD (years) | | | | | |
|-------------|--|---|--------------|---------------------------------|---|--|----------------------|---|----------------------|--|
| Nan | S | | | | FREE GROWING ASSESSMENT PERIOD (years) | | | | | |
| SI | J REGEN | ERATIO | ON DATE | (YEARS) | in the same is | ARLY | | LAT | E | |
| А | | | 4 | | | | 20 |) | | |
| В | 4 | | | | 9 | | 20 |) | | |
| С | 4 | | | | 9 | | 20 |) | | |
| H.2 S | TOCKING REQUI | REMEN | NTS FOR | SILVICULTU | IRAL SYSTEMS O | THER THAN SINGLE | TREE SELEC | CTION | | |
| SU | PRE | FERRE | SPECIES | | ACCEPTAE | BLE SPECIES | POST SPACII (stem | | MAX CONIFEROUS | |
| | SPECIES | | | JM HEIGHT (m) | SPECIES | MINIMUM HEIGHT (m) | MAX | MIN | | |
| Α | | Fd ⁵⁸ Lw Cw Hw ²⁰¹ Pw ³¹ | | Pw - 2.0 - 1.4 Hw - 1.0 | BI ^{10,13,500} Sx ^{10,13} | BI Sx – 1.0 | 1800 | 700 | 10,000 | |
| В | Fd ^{1,14,32,58} Lw ¹ | Cw Hw ²⁰¹ d ^{1,14,32,58} Lw ^{1,14,32} Pw ³¹ Sx ^{10,13,201} | | Pw – 2.0 – 1.4 v Sx – 1.0 | - | - | 1800 | 700 | 10,000 | |
| С | Cw ^{1,32} Sx ¹ | $Cw^{1,32} Sx^1$ $Cw Sx - 0.8$ | | Sx - 0.8 | BI ^{1,500} Hw ^{1,32} | BI Hw – 0.8 | 1600 | 500 | 10,000 | |
| SU | | WELL SPACED TREES/ha | | | MINIMUM PRUNING HEIGHT | RESIDUA STRUCTURI single tree | (other than | HEIGHT RELATIVE TO COMPETITION (% Tree over brush | | |
| | TARGET pa | MI | N pa | MIN p | MIN inter-tree DISTANCE | (delete if not applicable) | BA (m²/ha) | DENSITY (SPH) | | |
| Α | 1200 | 7 | 00 | 600 | 2.0 * | - | | | 150% | |
| В | 1200 | 7 | 00 | 600 | 2.0 * | - | | | 150% | |
| С | 1000 | 5 | 00 | 400 | 2.0 * | | | | 150% | |
| Footnot | Charles and the Australia Addition to | | | | | | | All territor | | |
| 1 | Suitable on elevat | ed micro | sites. | | | | | | | |
| 10 | Suitable on cool a | spects. | | | | | 0 | | | |
| 13 | Suitable at upper | elevation | ns. | | | | | | | |
| 14 | Suitable at lower e | elevation | ıs. | | | | | | | |
| 31 | Must use of blister | rust res | sistant stoc | k. See BC Jour | rnal of Ecosystems and | d Management 10(1):97- | 100 for supplem | entary informat | ion. | |
| 32 | Limited by growing | g-seasor | n frosts. | | | | | | | |
| 58 | South Area – Fd | limited to | o a max 50 | % of preferred a | and acceptable well-sp | aced stems due to root | rot. See Root Ro | ot Handbook (20 | 017, in press). | |
| 201 | Maximum 50% of | preferre | d and acce | ptable well-spa | ced trees. | | | | | |
| 500 | | | | | st, >75% live crown, > gth of most recent brar | 10cm leader, no scars, fonch. | orks, crooks, or s | weeps, and Api | ical dominance >1 as | |
| * | | site prep | paration (m | ounding & disk | trenching), been previ | itd of 1.7m may be used ously fill planted, or cond | | | | |

This block is located at lower elevations of the ICH mw2 biogeoclimatic unit. Aspect is Northeast / North / East facing.

See Section K for planting stock recommendations.



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ADMINISTRATION

| SITE PLAN PREPARED BY (RPF SIGNATURE AND SEAL): | |
|---|---|
| SITE PLAN PREPARED BY (RPF SIGNATURE AND SEAL). | |
| Robert Borhi RPF Name (Printed) | Alut Bh |
| | RPF Signature and Seal |
| Date: 10/12/2018 RPF #: 3026 | |
| SITE PLAN ATTACHMENTS: | MAJOR LICENSEE SIGNING AUTHORITY: |
| ☑ SP MAP(S) | |
| ☐ ARCHAEOLOGICAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT | |
| ☐ TERRAIN STABILITY FIELD ASSESSMENT | |
| ☐ VISUAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT | Licence Holder Signing Authority Signature |
| ☐ RIPARIAN ASSESSMENT | |
| ☐ FOREST HEALTH / PEST INCIDENCE ASSESSMENT | |
| ☑ SOIL CONSERVATION TABLE | Licence Holder Signing Authority Name (Printed) |
| ☑ OTHER: REFORESTATION PRESCRIPTION | |
| Ø OTHER: ARMILLARIA RISK ASSESSMENT MATRIX | |
| | Date: |

| | | Standards Units | | | | | |
|--|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------|------------------|--|--|
| | A | В | С | TOTAL HA | % | | |
| HAZARD RATINGS: | | | | | | | |
| Compaction | High | High | Very High | | | | |
| Soil Displacement | Moderate (14) | Moderate (14) | High (17) | | | | |
| Surface Erosion | High (30) | High (27) | High (23) | | | | |
| Forest Floor Displacement | High (17) | High (17) | High (19) | | | | |
| Mass Wasting | Moderate (33) | High (41) | High (43) | | | | |
| Harvest System | Ground based | Ground based | Ground based | | | | |
| TOTAL AREA | 18.8 | 13.5 | 2.2 | 34.5 | | | |
| Wildlife Tree Patches / NP Nat | | | | | % WTP/IMM | | |
| WTRA | 0.3 | 4.6 | - | 4.9 | 14.2 | | |
| NP brush | - | = | = | | - | | |
| Permanent Access Structures | | | | | % Disturbance | | |
| Proposed roads | 1.0 | 0.4 | 0 | 1.4 | 4.0 | | |
| Existing roads | 0.2 | 0 | 0 | 0.2 | 0.6 | | |
| Landings | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | |
| Total disturbance permanent access structures | 1.2 | 0.4 | 0 | 1.6 | 4.6 | | |
| NET AREA TO BE REFORESTED | 17.3 | 8.5 | 2.2 | 28.0 | | | |
| Sensitive Soils (Y/N) | No | No | Yes | | | | |
| Temporary Access Structures: Road, landing, excavated or bladed trails that will be rehabilitated (% of NAR). | 5% (excavated/bladed trails, landings) | 5% (excavated/bladed trails) | 5% (excavated/bladed trails) | | | | |
| Max. Allowable dispersed Soil Disturbance (% of NAR by Standards Unit) as a result of harvesting, mechanical site preparation, or hazard abatement activities. | 10% | 10% | 5% | | | | |

Comments:

Existing roads (permanent access):

SU A: Section 9: 229m x 10m = **0.23** ha

Proposed roads (permanent access):

SU A: Spur 1-A: 279m x 10m = **0.28 ha**

SU A: Spur 1: 390m x 10m = **0.39** ha

SU A: Spur 3: 309m x 10m = **0.31 ha** SU B: Spur 1: 373m x 10m = **0.37 ha**

Proposed Landings (temporary):

SU A: 5 landings @ 0.2 ha = 1.0 ha

SU B: 2 landings @ 0.2 ha = 0.4 ha

See $\textbf{Section}\,\textbf{F}$ for Soil Conservation and Management of Temporary Access Structures.



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| K.1 SITE PREP | | | | | |
|---------------|---|---|--|--|--|
| SU | PREFERRED | ALTERNATE | | | |
| A, B, C | Pile, or pile and burn, slash accumulations on roadsides and landings, or within the NAR. Piling treatment during dry weather conditions or when soils not saturated. Burn piles in the spring or fall. Up to 20% of piles may be left unburned to contribute to wildlife habitat and coarse woody debris values. | No site prep, plant as is. * Mechanical site preparation (e.g.: mounding, scarification) where necessary and feasible, combined with brush/slash piling, utilizing an excavator. ** Broadcast burn or Spot burn if needed within the NAR to reduce excessive slash cover. Low to Moderate intensity burn, impact rank 2 to 3. | | | |

^{*} SU B and C: Mechanical site preparation (such as mounding) could be considered on sites with 110, 111 and 114 site series (subhygric and wetter soil conditions with very low soil coarse fragments).

Site Limiting Factors include:

SU A and SU B: Moderately well drained soils. Mesic to Subhygric soil moisture.

SU C: Poorly drained soils. Subhygric to hygric soil moisture.

Low to Moderate existing CWD levels. Few areas of ≥35% slopes. Lower elevation ICH mw2 location.

Low to moderate slash hazard expected from snags, breakage, non-merch and fine slash. If burn treatment is anticipated, retain woody debris and slash on site during harvest.

No streams within harvest boundary.

Note: A decision on whether or not Site Preparation is needed will be made during a Post-Harvest assessment. If needed, the type of Site Preparation and portion(s) of the block needing treatment will be determined at that time.

K.2 PLANTING / SEEDLING REQUIREMENTS

| STOCK | | | | | |
|-------|---------------|-----|------|--------------|------------|
| SU | SPECIES | AGE | TYPE | CNTR | SEASON |
| Α | Fd Lw Cw (Pw) | 1+0 | PSB | 410 / 412A | May / June |
| В | Cw Fd Lw (Pw) | 1+0 | PSB | 410 / 412A | May / June |
| С | Cw Sx | 1+0 | PSB | * 412A / 415 | May / June |

A, B, C 1) Manage for a mixed species stand of preferred and acceptable species to the extent possible.

- 2) Refer to stocking standards (Section H.2) for footnote comments on elevation, aspect, and other limitations.
- 3) Target Cw to moister areas and depressions in SU A and B.
- 4) Recommend Fd to account for ≤ 50% of planting stock in SU A and B due to root disease potential (as per stocking standards).
- 5) Recommend $\mathbf{S}\mathbf{x}$ to account for $\leq 50\%$ of planting stock in SU C due to root disease potential.
- 6) On steeper slopes, plant trees on the uphill or downhill side of stumps to help minimize snow creep and snow press.
- 7) Expect low to moderate levels of **Hw Cw** natural regeneration.
- 8) Plant as soon as possible after harvest or site preparation. **NOTE**: A Post Harvest assessment will be completed to determine if site preparation is needed prior to planting. If site preparation is needed, the assessment will help to determine what method will be most effective.
- 9) In wet areas, target trees to elevated microsites (especially in SU C).
- 10) Monitor for signs of ungulate browsing during silviculture surveys.
- * Larger stock type is suitable for SU C due to thick Ah horizon, very low soil coarse fragments, and high herbaceous brush cover/hazard.

K.3 BRUSHING

| SU | PREFERRED | ALTERNATE |
|---------|--|-----------|
| A, B, C | - Manual brushing with hand tools or power saws. | - None |

Current Brush Hazard:

SU A: Low levels of brush inside harvest boundaries, with few areas of **Moderate** cover. Current vegetation includes western yew, black huckleberry, baldhip rose, one-leaved foam flower, queen's cup, bunchberry, and prince's pine.

SU B: Low levels of brush inside harvest boundaries. Current vegetation includes western yew, devil's club, Utah honeysuckle, oak fern, one-leaved foam flower, bunchberry, and prince's pine.

SU C: High levels of brush inside harvest boundaries. Current vegetation includes devil's club, beaked hazelnut, western yew, thimbleberry, lady fern, horsetails, oak fern, and skunk cabbage.

Future Brush Hazard

SU A: Future hazard is **Moderate** to **High** due to mesic moisture conditions and cool aspect. Deciduous (Ep and Ac) in adjacent block expected to reach 10 – 20% cover. Potential competitor species include alder, maple, birch, cottonwood, aspen, thimbleberry, and bracken fern.

SU B: Future hazard is **High** due to subhygric moisture conditions and cool aspect. Deciduous stems noted in adjacent free growing stands. Potential competitor species include alder, maple, birch, cottonwood, aspen, thimbleberry, and bracken fern.

SU C: Future hazard is **High** to **Very High** due to subhygric and wetter moisture conditions, and cool aspect. Herbaceous community already established with high water table. Potential competitor species include lady fern, thimbleberry, alder, maple, birch, aspen, and cottonwood.

Anticipated Timing/Constraints: Treatment needs will be assessed through periodic walkthroughs and silviculture surveys. Treatment timing will be prescribed at the time of brush assessment.

Note: Where possible, avoid brushing Vaccinium spp in order to maintain huckleberry picking values, and to maintain forage on site for grizzly and black bears.

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^{**} Broadcast burn or Spot burn is a good option to reduce slash levels prior to planting, and improve soil warming on this Northeast aspect.