

**FBCWA 32nd & WPDC 22nd
Joint Annual General Meeting & Conference**



**BEYOND SAWLOGS -
WOODLOT CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES**

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I would like to acknowledge all of the Woodlot Associations and the good work that they do representing the interests of their members.

This is a Federation of Associations. Without Associations there is no Federation. So thank you for your ongoing membership and support.

And a particularly big thank you to all the volunteers who make the Associations work.



Honorary Life Members



Peter Sanders



Al Waters



Len Bawtree



Wilf Chelle



Peter Kokoska



Dave Haley



Shawn Flynn



Rod Blake



2019 Scholarship Recipients \$2,000



Logan Sewell

Logan is the grandson of Anne and Bob Davidson (W0294), Stuart Nechako Woodlot Association, and lives in Vanderhoof.

He recently graduated from Nechako Valley Secondary and is currently employed with the BC Forest Service as an initial attack forest firefighter and plans to save up some money so he can attend the University of Victoria in the fall of 2020, where he plans to pursue a degree in Mechanical Engineering.

Scholarship Committee
Nancy Pezel, Chair
Ed Hughes
Gernot Zemanek
Lisa Marak



2019 Scholarship Recipients
\$1,000



Sonja is the daughter of Bill Hadden, W0812, South Cariboo Woodlot Association. She is currently enrolled in her second year of the Natural Resources and Forest Technology Program at the College of New Caledonia. Sonja has gained considerable forestry experience working the past two summers for DWB Forestry Consulting and a PRT Nursery respectively, as well as many years working with her father on his woodlot. Sonja is now a member of the Association of BC Forest Professionals.

Sonja Hadden



2019 Scholarship Recipients
\$1,000



Tye is the stepson of Dave Baxter, W0300, Clearwater Woodlot Association. He is currently enrolled in his second year of the Forest Technician Program at Selkirk College. Tye is already registered with the Applied Science Technologists, and Technicians of BC, has worked two summers for Forsite Consultants and is considering becoming a RPF one day.

Tye Beecroft



2019 Scholarship Recipients
\$500 (from the Ernie Day Education Fund)



Colton is the grandson of Greg Lee, W2074, Boundary Woodlot Association. Colton lives in Kamloops and recently graduated from Westsyde Secondary. He is currently enrolled in the Heavy Duty Technician Program at Thompson Rivers University, and is gaining experience working for Munden Ventures Ltd, which specializes in forestry equipment. Colton hopes to work as a heavy duty mechanic in the forest industry upon graduation.

Colton Despot



FBCWA Scholarships



Please support the FBCWA's scholarship fund by bidding generously on the silent auction items.



Donation – Mark & Norma Clark

After paying for their registration, Norma's Dad passed away so they were unable to attend. Instead of asking for a refund, they requested their registration be donated to the FBCWA Scholarship fund in David Buker's name (Norma's Dad).

The photo is of Dave & Mark in 2010 cutting botanical boughs from the woodlot private land for some "Christmas Cash." According to Mark, "I know it looks like pruning, but if you can sell the boughs for wreaths at \$50 for a tree planting box full AND get a pine tree pruned up, then I guess that makes it "botanically correct."

**2019 Recipients: Minister's Awards for Innovation
& Excellence in WL Management**



**Mark & Pauline Adamson
North Area & Provincial Recipient**



THANK YOU!
Minister Donaldson
Nancy Pezel
Geoff Klassen
Tyler Hodgkinson
Reece Allingham
Ainslie Jackman
Brian Amies
Nominators

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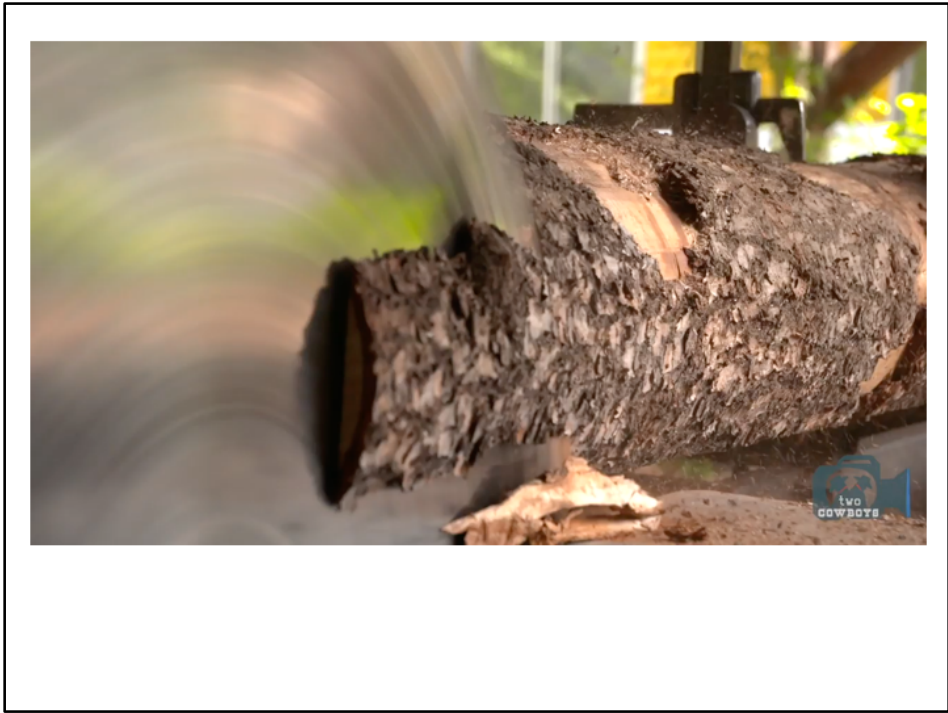
**Howie Griessel
Coast Recipient**

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& Excellence in WL Management**



**Ross & Janice Freer
South Recipient**





Councils, Committees & Contractors

Minister's Practices Advisory Council

Brian McNaughton

WL Joint Working Group

Coleen Marlow, Tyler Hodgkinson,
Ian Lanki, Mark Clark, Tom Bradley
& Brian McNaughton

Operational Issues Forums

- North, South & Coast

Brian McNaughton

CFPA Species at Risk Committee

Brian McNaughton

Safety

Gary Hanson & Rick Walters

Forest Genetics Council of BC

Gernot Zemanek

BC Coalition for National Forest Week

Lisa Marak

Chief Forester's Leadership Team

Brian McNaughton

Timber Pricing Committee

Coleen MacLean-Marlow, Jon Seinen (co-chairs),
Ed Hughes, Debbie Zandbelt & Dean Daly

FBCWA Contractors

General Manager	Brian McNaughton
Administration	Lisa Marak
Communications	Lisa Marak
E-Business	Tom Bradley
Timber Pricing (coast)	Ed Hughes
Timber Pricing (interior)	Debbie Zandbelt
Woodlot 4 Windows	Mike Bandstra

Woodlot Licence Program – Statistics

Year	# of WLs	AAC (m3/year)			HECTARES		
		Sch A	Sch B	Total	Sch A	Sch B	Total
2019	859	87,205	1,448,487	1,535,692	60,615	532,317	592,932
2018	857	96,736	1,442,302	1,539,038	64,900	528,195	593,095
Change in the last year	2	9,531	6,185	3,346	4,285	4,122	163

Private Land: 48% of WLs include Schedule A (private) land, down from 51% in 2018.

*As of August 27, 2019

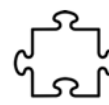
Source: FLNR website - <https://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hth/timber-tenures/woodlots/reports-publications.htm>

FBCWA 2019/20 Strategic Priorities

PRIORITY	TASKS
WLs practicing good management/healthy forests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Action/respond to FPB investigation, audits, C&E reports, etc. - Improve silviculture practices and innovation - Promote integrated management - Wildfire prevention, fuel mitigation and risk reduction - Establish a Best Managed Forests Committee
Improve FRPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FRPA changes
Revitalization of WL Associations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement steps in Jan. 26, 2018 BoD memo
Fair and reasonable administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reasonable and fair legislation, regulation, policies, admin & enforcement - Professional reliance - WLP extensions - Fire hazard assessments - Flat fee for waste - Inventory handbook - Road reporting - Private land removal policy & guidelines
Extension/Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Extension and guidance to Associations & licensees
Retaining the WL THLB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Addressing constraints/pressures on the WL land base.
Social Licence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encourage licensees to respect the public's interests in WLs - Manage government's expectations - Promote and publicize WLs.
Government programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure WLs have access to government funding programs - Respect tenure and private land rights

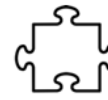
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1. Interior Forest Sector Renewal
2. Coast Forest Sector Revitalization
3. FRPA Amendments
4. Bill 22 – Forest Act amendments tenure dispositions
5. Open Burning Smoke Control Regulation
6. Professional Governance
7. Private Managed Forest Land Program Review
8. Land Use Planning Review
9. Wildlife Management and Habitat Conservation Review
10. Old Growth Panel
11. Big Tree Policy
12. United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
13. Species at Risk Legislation
14. Wildlife Management & Habitat Conservation Review
15. Caribou (Fed order & Recovery Plan)
16. Marbled Murrelet
17. Northern Goshawk
18. Migratory Bird Review (MPB)
19. Carbon Tax Increase
20. Fire & Flood Review Implementation
21. Forest Inventory Review
22. New Climate Action Plan
23. Environmental Assessments
24. Contractor Sustainability Review
25. WorkSafeBC Changes
26. Employers Health Tax
27. Employment Standards Leg & Reg



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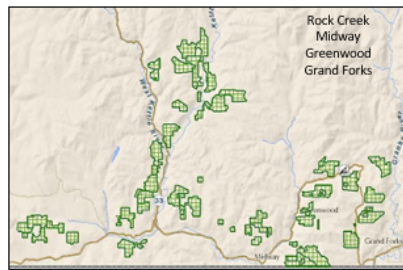
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Core Messages from FBCWA

Woodlot Licences...

- Small, area-based forest tenure
- People hold WLs - resource managers & log sellers
- 859 WLs in BC
- WL Program began 71 years ago (1948)
- Founded and established on principles of stewardship, sustainability, social licence & public trust
- Purposefully located near communities and in areas of high public scrutiny.
~750 WLs have some or all crown land in wildland urban interface areas;
i.e. within 2km. 84.2% (720 WLs) issued prior to 2000 - in same location for 20+ years



- 93.6% (800 WLs) issued prior to 2010... same location for 10+ years
- 99.6% (852 WLs) issued prior to 2014... same location for 5+ years

Core Messages from FBCWA

If the WL program wasn't achieving social licence and public confidence, accepted by First Nations, and managing public forests sustainably then it wouldn't have lasted 70+ years and been expanded over time!



Purpose of the BC's Woodlot Licence Program

The Woodlot Licence Program (Woodlot Program) was established to increase opportunities for small-scale forestry in British Columbia and is designed to:

- increase the amount of private forest land being managed on a sustained yield basis;
- increase the productivity of small parcels of forested land;
- promote local employment opportunities; and
- promote excellence in forest management.

Support for the concept of small-scale, locally based forestry rests on several perceived benefits over large-scale operations, including expectations that there will be:

- increased economic opportunities in BC's forests;
- better management of the forest;
- a greater investment in silviculture;
- more attention paid to environmental and other non-timber values; and
- more benefits flowing to local communities.

*Managing the Woodlot Licence Program
Auditor General of BC report – 1999/2000*

**Core Message
from FBCWA**



**Woodlot Licences are
part of the solution,
not the problem!**

Interior Forest Sector Renewal

Focus:

- A globally competitive forest sector;
- Resilient communities and workforce;
- Reconciliation with Indigenous communities; and,
- Sustainable forest management.

Policy and Program Discussion Paper, Summer 2019

Two engagement activities:

1. Interior Forest Policy Initiative
2. Timber Supply Area Coalition Process

At government's request, the forest sector is working on a consolidated response.

Public engagement period ends October 11, 2019.

Coast Forest Sector Revitalization

Five (5) main goals that will be achieved through a series of legislative, regulatory and policy changes that will be implemented throughout 2019-20:

1. Rebuilding solid wood and secondary industries to ensure more of B.C. logs and fibre are processed in B.C.
2. Improving harvest performance to ensure more fibre is available for domestic mills, including the pulp and paper sector.
3. Maintaining a credible auction system by continuing to ensure that competitive forces prevail.
4. Fostering stronger business-to-business relationships between BC Timber Sales, major licensees and First Nations.
5. Restoring public confidence through amendments to the Forest and Range Practices Act and auditing the private managed forest land regime.

Forest Sector Downturn



Logging-truck protest convoy driven by plea for help in B.C. small towns
 Derrick Perron
 Tue 26, 8:54 AM



West Fraser announces the permanent closure of Chasm sawmill



BC LOCAL NEWS
Houston concerned about timber availability



KAMLOOPI MATTERS
Job losses mount as mill closures hit B.C. Interior
 About 21 hours ago by: Glacier Media



TEAL-JONES
Teal-jones halts logging operations, deepening crisis in strike-hit forestry sector
 Yesterday 9:05 AM by: Times Colonist



Alaska Highway News
Property sales hit hard as logging falls in northern B.C.
 Frank O'Brien / Business in Vancouver
 20 minutes ago



NEWS
A community in crisis: 400 workers off the job as 3 mills go down in northern B.C. lumber town
 More than 10% of workforce in Mackenzie, B.C., now unemployed
 Media Transparency: CBC News
 Posted Jul 30, 2019 5:01 PM PT | Last updated July 30



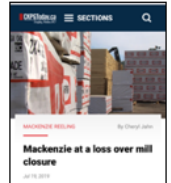
Global NEWS
British Columbia braces for more closures as forestry sector continues to struggle
 By Richard Lussman
 Science journalist based in B.C., Singapore
 Global News



THE KAMLOOPI LOCAL NEWS
Village of Clifton grappling with implications of Chasm mill closure



THE DAILY COURIER
Tolko mill in Kelowna closing almost 6 weeks
 Steve MacInnis
 Jul 30, 2019 Updated 13 hrs ago



EXPRESS
Mackenzie at a loss over mill closure
 By David Jamieson
 April 9, 2019



LOCAL NEWS
Small town Vavenby struggles to survive closure of major employer
 Tom Hoggart
 July 9, 2019



NEWS
Fort St. James declares financial crisis following sawmill closure
 The declaration was ordered by the mayor Tuesday night
 Stephanie Dunlop - CBC News
 Posted Jul 17, 2019 8:28 PM PT | Last updated July 17

Changes to the Forest & Range Practices Act

Bill 21

- Enabling legislation
- Not in force until regulations are passed
- Key changes affecting WLs:
 - WLPs will terminate every 10 years and have to be replaced
 - Practice requirements for natural range barriers, invasive plants & visual quality
 - Stricter requirements re amendments
 - Forest Operations Map – does not apply to WLs

"...support the health and sustainability of BC's public forests and rangelands, while strengthening public confidence in how these vital resources are managed."

What's next:

- Request for Legislation (RFL) has been drafted
- Focus on Landscape Level Planning
- Draft regulations

FBCWA's message to gov't - terminating & replacing WLPs is a really bad idea

- Contrary to FRPA improvement initiatives purposes and principles (see boxes to the right).
- Undermines public trust and social licence.
- Significant additional cost/workload for licensees and MFLNRORD.
- Doesn't achieve any appreciable improvements - WLPs are already available for review and subject to amendment (mandatory or otherwise) at any time.
- Sends negative message to the public, First Nations and others that 859 plans for area based tenures are all unacceptable.
- Promotes periodic reviews not continuous improvement.
- Doesn't establish plans with long term visions and approaches to sustainability.

Purposes

- ◊ Reconciliation with First Nations
- ◊ Social Licence/Public trust
- ◊ Certainty of log and fibre supply
- ◊ Ensure land managers have clear ability to promote and protect natural resources
- ◊ Improve and streamline range planning

Why Make Changes

- ◊ Improve planning and coordination at the landscape level
- ◊ Greater transparency
- ◊ Continual improvement in the management of forest and range resources
- ◊ Enhance government's ability to ensure compliance with legal requirements

FRPA Principles

- ◊ Resource availability, ecosystem resilience and stewardship
- ◊ Multiple benefits
- ◊ Indigenous trust and collaboration
- ◊ Public trust
- ◊ Cost, complexity and administrative efficiency
- ◊ Sound information, science and uncertainty
- ◊ Adaptability, flexibility and innovation

FBCWA involvement in FRPA Changes

- FBCWA - member of the Minister's Practices Advisory Committee
- Formed a working group with Office of the Chief Forester (OCF) & BC Community Forests Association to address WL and CFA specific matters
- Working directly with OCF & Resource Tenures Branch

FBCWA has proposed...

- Amend Bill 21 or develop regulations so that WLPs continue to be extended
- Establishment of a WL FRPA Interpretation Team
- Eliminating WLPs – operate under WLPPR

Bill 22 – Forest Act Amendments

- Section 54.02 (Mandatory refusal of dispositions) says when considering whether to approve a disposition, the minister must consider the effect of the disposition on
 - (a) the marketing of fiber in British Columbia, and
 - (b) the public interest.
- Public interest is not defined and no legal tests to guide statutory decision making
- **What Bill 22 doesn't say – that the minister must consider the decades of hard work and the effect on the current licence holder or their family!**

FBCWA sent a letter to Premier citing the following and requesting WLs be exempted from Bill 22...

- ⊗ creates uncertainty which adversely impacts WL holders and their families.
- ⊗ WL holder can no longer count on receiving fair value for their WL because the Minister might not approve a disposition, including an intergenerational transfer; i.e. from parents to their children.
- ⊗ A family's ability to do financial and estate planning is compromised.
- ⊗ Discourages entry of young people into forestry.
- ⊗ Unfair to BC residents who entered into the WL program in good faith.
- ⊗ Serves as a disincentive to manage and administer above minimum requirements.
- ⊗ Demoralizing.


Bill 22 – Forest Act amendments tenure dispositions

Minister's response...

- appreciates there may be an added level of perceived uncertainty with the Bill 22 public interest test
 - ...but gov't has responsibility to the broader public given WLs manage a public resource
- expects transfer of WL will meet public interest test under normal circumstances
 - ...but statutory decision maker (SDM) needs to consider and apply the test on a case-by-case basis for transparency and accountability.
- **Government is not considering legislative amendments to exempt woodlot licensees from the public interest test.**

Open Burning Smoke Control Regulation

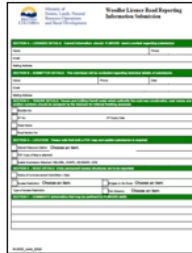
- Comes into force September 15th, 2019.
- Available at:
http://www.bclaws.ca/civix/document/id/oic/oic_cur/0405_2019
- Very prescriptive
- FBCWA calling on government to provide extension and training for WLS

PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA	
ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL	
Order in Council No. 405	, Approved and Ordered July 8, 2019
	 Lieutenant Governor
Executive Council Chambers, Victoria	
<small>On the recommendation of the undersigned, the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, orders that, effective September 15, 2019, the Open Burning Smoke Control Regulation, B.C. Reg. 145/93, is repealed and the attached Open Burning Smoke Control Regulation is made.</small>	

WL Joint Working Group

Completed

- 1 CP Road Reporting (July 2019)
- 1 CP Administration Manual (July 2019)
- WL Private Land Removal Guidelines (Feb 2019)
- WL Timber Resources Inventory Handbook (Feb 2019)
- Stocking standards for new BEC zone in W Kootenay
- Guidance re CCLE & AAC uplifts due to catastrophic event (e.g. wildfires, coast wind)



FLNRORD

Forest Tenures Branch

Patrick Russell, Manager
Emma Neill
Geoff Klassen

Regions/Areas

Andrea Inward (South)
Diana Spelay (North)
Randy Aitken (Coast)

FBCWA

Coleen MacClean-Marlow
Tyler Hodgkinson
Ian Lanki
Tom Bradley
Mark Clark
Brian McNaughton



WL Joint Working Group

Active

- WL harvest levels
 - Exceeding cut control
 - Undercut WLs
- Road construction on WLs by someone other than the WL holder
- Must approve RPs on WLs ('new' Forest Act interpretation)
- Approving FSPs over WLs with approved WLP
- Stocking standards for specified areas
- Accumulating WLs
- WL Attrition
 - CFAs acquiring WLs
 - Canceled WLs not being re-advertised
 - Program expansion

On the radar

- Hazard Abatement Guidelines
- Update Management Plan handbook



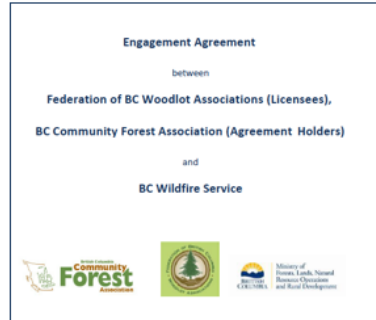
WLs & Wildfires

- 2019 'quiet' fire season compared to 2017 & 2018
- Much rehabilitation & reparation work on previous years' fires underway
- Fuel mitigation projects – FESBC
- WPDC Extraordinary Project on Fuel Mitigation (Mike Simpson)
- Engagement Agreement between BC Wildfire Services, FBCWA & BCCFA (BC Community Forest Association)



Engagement Agreement with BC Wildfire Services

- Tripartite agreement – BCWS, FBCWA & BC Community Forest Association
- Established in response to concerns & issues expressed by WL licensees over the years
- Purpose: ...to build and/or improve their working relationships around emergency management and fire risk mitigation including preparedness, prevention, response and recovery.
- Objectives:
 - Establish contacts (local & Prov levels)
 - Improve communications
 - Build a better relationship
 - Improve how WLs & CFAs are incorporated into pre-org plans and collaboratively participate in planning and implementation for preparedness, prevention, response and recovery.



Land Based Investment (LBI) Report

- year ending March 31, 2019

WL Association	Expenditure
Boundary	\$ 35,023
Bulkley	18,202
Cariboo	39,050
Kamloops	58,266
North	9,999
Peace River	8,068
Totals	\$ 168,608
2017-18	\$ 173,242
2016-17	\$ 542,476
2015-16	\$ 366,115

Notes:

- 2018-19 allocation was \$514,911.
- Accomplishments were significantly less due to wildfires and contractor availability.
- New silviculture funding & project eligibility criteria reduced opportunities.



Forest Enhancement Society of British Columbia

To date, there have been six (6) FESBC funded WL projects valued at \$872,818.

Cariboo & Prince George WL Associations

- **Completed projects** to ground truth and develop prescriptions to reduce fuel loads and help prevent fires on WLs located in Wildland Urban Interfaces.

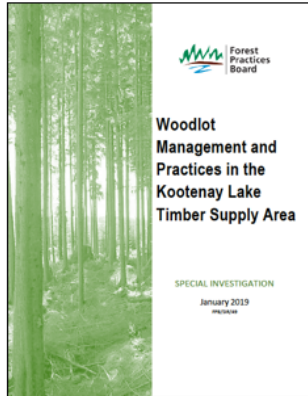
Cariboo Woodlot Association	\$ 195,500
Prince George WL Association	<u>\$ 202,500</u>
	\$ 398,000

Cariboo WL Association

- **Recently approved project** to implement the prescriptions developed under the the above noted project.



2019 Special Investigation



- 15 WLs over a 2 year period
- 21 alleged non-compliances
 - 18 administrative
 - 3 practices related (silv obligations)

ACTIVITY	WL WITH ACTIVITY	WL SAMPLED	# WL WITH FINDINGS
Licence Administration	15	15	3
Planning	14	14	0
Harvest	12	8	0
Roads	14	10	0
Silviculture Obligations	12	7	3
Annual Reporting	15	15	9
Fire Protection	12	9	6
Overall			12



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Board

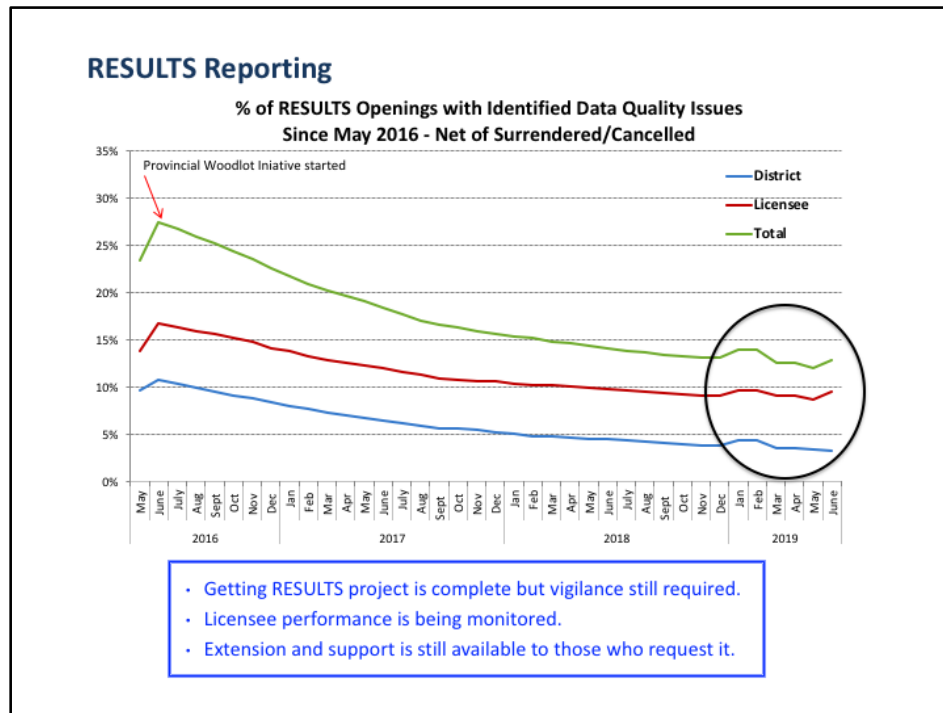
WL Special Investigation & Audits

2018 Audits – 5 WLs near Fort St. John

- Compliance in all significant respects with the requirements of the *Forest and Range Practices Act*, the *Wildfire Act* and related regulations with respect to operational planning, timber harvesting, road construction and maintenance, silviculture and fire protection activities.
- No opinion provided for road deactivation.
- On 1 WL, audit alleged a significant non-compliance involving harvesting adjacent to a fish stream.

Trends in WL Audit Findings

- Reporting - mostly RESULTS
- Reforestation & free growing
- Road/bridge maintenance
- Waste assessments & reporting
- Fire hazard assessments
- Fire tools



Description of Issues

- 1 **Unreported Blocks/Openings** - A block or opening authorized under a CP, recorded in the (FTA), and with volume moved on the CP that have not been reported to RESULTS.
 - 2 **Shell Opening** - A block/opening that exists in RESULTS with no Harvesting/Disturbance and Forest Cover information for harvesting and/or silviculture/stand management treatments.
 - 3 **Forest Cover is missing** - Forest cover has not been reported for a block or opening that exists in RESULTS.
 - 4 **Harvesting/Disturbance activity has not been reported** - Blocks or openings have forest cover but no harvesting and/or disturbance (i.e. juvenile spacing or other stand management activity) information reported.
 - 5 **Stocking standards are missing or incomplete** - A block or opening exists in RESULTS but the stocking standards are missing. Note: If either the regeneration delay or late free growing dates are missing, then the quality assurance report treats it as if the stocking standards are missing.
 - 6 **Free growing milestone declared but forest cover information not updated** - Issue #3 deals with situations where forest cover information was missing altogether whereas Issue #6 is specific to situations where forest cover was reported to RESULTS but has not been updated as part of a free to growing report/declaration.
 - 7 **Free growing is overdue and has not been reported** - The opening exists in RESULTS and the Free Growing report is overdue; i.e. the late free growing date has passed and no free growing information has been submitted.
- 8, 9 & 10 These were issues for major licensees that do not apply to WLS.
- 11 **Missing forest cover spatial** - Forest Cover spatial is required for all forest cover submitted on or after May 1, 2007 (reporting post 2006 activities).
 - 12 **Missing opening spatial** - Opening spatial is mandatory for all harvesting completed after on or after May 1, 2007 (reporting post 2006 activities).

Timber Pricing

- Waste Assessment Method for WLs
- Timber pricing matters related to Interior & Coast Forest Sector Revitalization/Renewal
 - Fibre Recover Zones
 - Log exports
- Industry downturn
 - Stumpage
- Appraisal committees' meetings
- Liaison with Timber Pricing Branch
- Licensee support – inquiries about timber marks, cut control, postponing CPs, etc.
- Communications – Almanac reports & articles

Co-chairs

Coleen MacLean-Marlow (coast)
Jon Seinen (interior)

Members

Dean Daly
Ed Hughes (coast)
Debbie Zandbelt (interior)

E-Business

- 1CP Administration manual
- 1CP Road Reporting
- W4W improvements
- RESULTS support
- WL Joint Working Group
- Data & information support
- Communication/extension/support for WL Associations and licensees

Tom Bradley

Woodlot for Windows (W4W)

- Licensee support
- Possibility of some improvements & upgrades to W4W

Mike Bandstra

Safety

- Joint committee - FBCWA & BC Community Forest Association (BCCFA) & BC Forest Safety Council (BCFSC)
- Supported by BCFSC
- Promoting safety for WLs and ComFors
- Recent articles:
 - Resource Road Maintenance Guideline
 - Responsibilities During Fire Season
 - Are You Working Near Powerlines?
 - Post Wildfire Operational Safety Bulletin
 - Trail Use in BC – Who is Liable?
- For more information, go to the 'safety tab' on the FBCWA's website: <https://woodlot.bc.ca/safety-program/>

Committee

BC Forest Safety Council

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If you are interested in being a member of this committee please contact Brian McNaughton.



Communications

Lisa Marak

- Website
- Woodlot Communicator (4 editions)
- Almanac articles
- Union of BC Municipalities trade show
- Extension & training support; e.g. podcasts
- WL Manual & Reference Guide
- Develop social media presence
- Promote/educate re small-scale forestry (e.g. colouring books)

WL MANUAL

- More of a reference guide than a how-to manual
- For more information, talk to Lisa Marak or Brian McNaughton

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7. Woodlot Licence Plan (WLP) – preparation, amendments & extensions	27. Hiring a Professional (new Professional Governance Act)
8. Cutting Permits – types, postponement, extension, surrender, amendments	28. Hiring a Contractor
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10. Stumpage - tab rates, appraisals	30. Compliance & Enforcement
11. Timber Marking	31. Firewood cutting
12. Notifications - timber harvesting, road construction & deactivation	32. Recreation and public use
13. Cut Control - authorization to exceed 120%, unharvested volume; i.e. cut control <100%	33. Change in WL Area or Boundary
14. Harvesting	34. Consolidating two Woodlot Licences
15. Scaling	35. Disposition - selling, transfer or exchange
16. Fuel Hazard - assessments & abatements	36. Change of area, expropriations
17. Waste assessments & disposal (OBSCR)	37. FNs – UNDRIP/Consultations/Info sharing/AOAs/AIAs
18. Seed - collection, purchase & storage	38. Government Programs – integrated investment plans, FFT, LBI, FESBC, reporting
19. Planting - seedling acquisition, stocking standards, seed transfer, hiring a contractor	39. What to do if accused of non-compliance or a C&E contravention
20. Post Planting – survival, stocking, free to grow, reporting	40. Wildlife Habitat Features
	41. Others - To Be Determined

FBCWA Priorities

PRIORITY	ACTIONS
WLS practicing good management/healthy forests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Action/respond to FPB investigation, audits, C&E reports, etc. - Improve silviculture practices and innovation - Promote integrated management - Wildfire prevention, fuel mitigation and risk reduction - Establish a Best Managed Forests Committee
Improve FRPA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FRPA changes
Revitalization of WL Associations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement steps in Jan. 26, 2018 BoD memo
Fair and reasonable administration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reasonable and fair legislation, regulation, policies, admin & enforcement - Professional reliance <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - WLP extensions - Fire hazard assessments <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Flat fee for waste - Inventory handbook <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Road reporting - Private land removal policy & guidelines
Extension/Training	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Extension and guidance to Associations & licensees
Retaining the WL THLB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Addressing constraints/pressures on the WL land base.
Social Licence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encourage licensees to respect the public's interests in WLS - Manage government's expectations - Promote and publicize WLS.
Government programs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure WLS have access to government funding programs - Respect tenure and private land rights

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Challenges (from 2018 Annual Survey of WL Licensees)

- Inexperienced or uncooperative MFLNRORD local office and WL staff
- Excessive First Nations demands for money and time to consult
- Restrictive log markets (only one buyer)
- Little commercial timber left on WL
- Aging licensees (no succession plan)
- Local residents not supportive of forestry activities
- Out of date timber inventories
- Poor communication
 - Lack of interest in program
 - Inactive or no local WL Association
 - MFLNRORD too busy with other issues

Have a suggestion?
Let your member representative
or FBCWA director know.



On Tuesday, Oct. 8th FBCWA
will be reviewing and updating
its priorities for the remainder
of 2019/2020.

**Questions
&/or
Comments**