

Community Forest Program Update

BCCFA 2010 AGM
Westbank

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AGENDA

- **Program Update**
 - MFR staffing update
 - Expansion
 - Regulation update
 - First Nations Woodland Licence
 - One CP concept
 - Partnership with BCTS
 - Cut Control
- **Questions**

Staffing contacts/changes

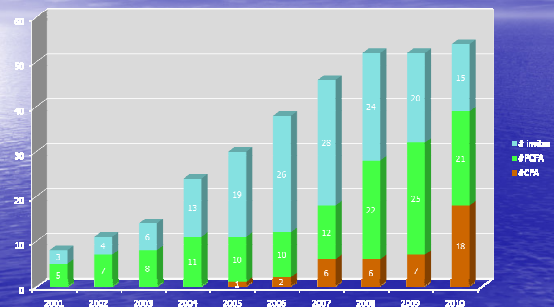
- Victoria Ron Greschner, Dave Haley
- NIFR Rob Norwell
- CFR Neil Edwards
- SIFR Andrea Inwards, Mile Djukic

Contact info available on website:
www.for.gov.bc.ca/htth/community/index.htm

Invitations & Issuance in 09/10

- Klahoose FN & Tanizul converted their TFLs to CFAs (255,000m³)
- 5 CFAs were issued (Port Alberni, 100 Mile House, Dunster & Mackenzie/McLeod Lk FN) totalling 83,000m³
- Ktunaxa Kinbasket, Ft St James, Westbank and Kaslo received their 25 yr agreements
- North Island and Granisle/Babine Lk FN were invited to apply for a CFA

CFA Program Expansion





COMMUNITY TENURES REGULATION

- Amendments to regulation passed Sept 3, 2009
- Changes required to be consistent with Act changes of March 31, 2009
- Removal of probationary language
- Removal of assessment requirements

FIRST NATIONS WOODLAND LICENCE (FNWL)

- Bill 13 Passed 3rd reading on May 19
- Will be put into force via regulation
- Result of recommendation # 25 of the Forestry roundtable to create a tenure specific to FN
- FN & industry including BCCFA were consulted with
- Only FN with an IMA will be able to get a FNWL

FNWL cont'd

- Loosely modeled around a CFA
 - Area based (no size restrictions)
 - 25-99 year term
 - Can include private & reserve land
 - Replaceable every 10 years
 - Exclusive right to the timber
 - May allow mngmt of Botanical forest products
 - No tenure deposit req'd

FNWL cont'd

- Existing tenure tied to a IMA will be able to be converted to a FNWL
- FRPA applies, If less than WL size will be able to do a WLP or FSP
- If greater than WL size will have to do a FSP
- Required to do a MP
- Required to pay annual rent
- Req'd to pay stumpage

One CP Concept

- One CP over the whole CFA
- Will be developed/piloted on WL first
- OK from exec to proceed with WL
- 3 pilot districts (Quesnel, Campbell River, Peace)
- Currently trying it out in test environment

Caution

Partnership with BCTS

- Forestry Roundtable Recommendation # 23 expand CFA program & #20 increase number of auction from BCTS
- A committee between MFR & BCCFA has been struck to explore this concept/possibility
- A few conference calls have occurred
- Good dialogue between the parties
- A session later on in the conference will explore this further

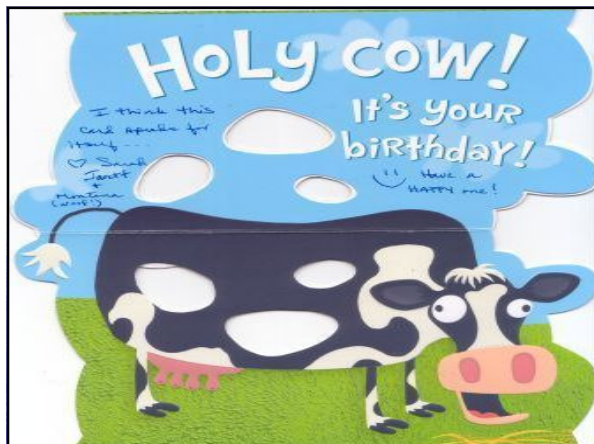
CUT CONTROL

- There is no minimum cut control
- Unharvested volumes can not be carried forward
- However the regional manager may issue licences to a third party to harvest the unharvested volume

Summary

- Program continues to expand
- Regulation change provides streamlining
- Continue to work with BCCFA via monthly conference calls

Thank You For Listening!



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