Forest Landscape Planning -What will it mean for CFAs

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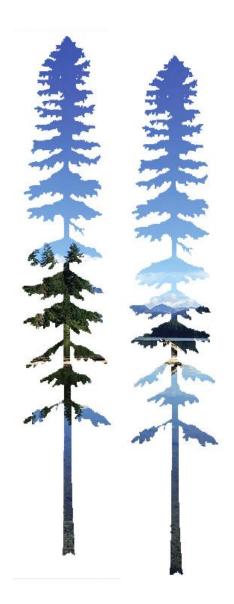
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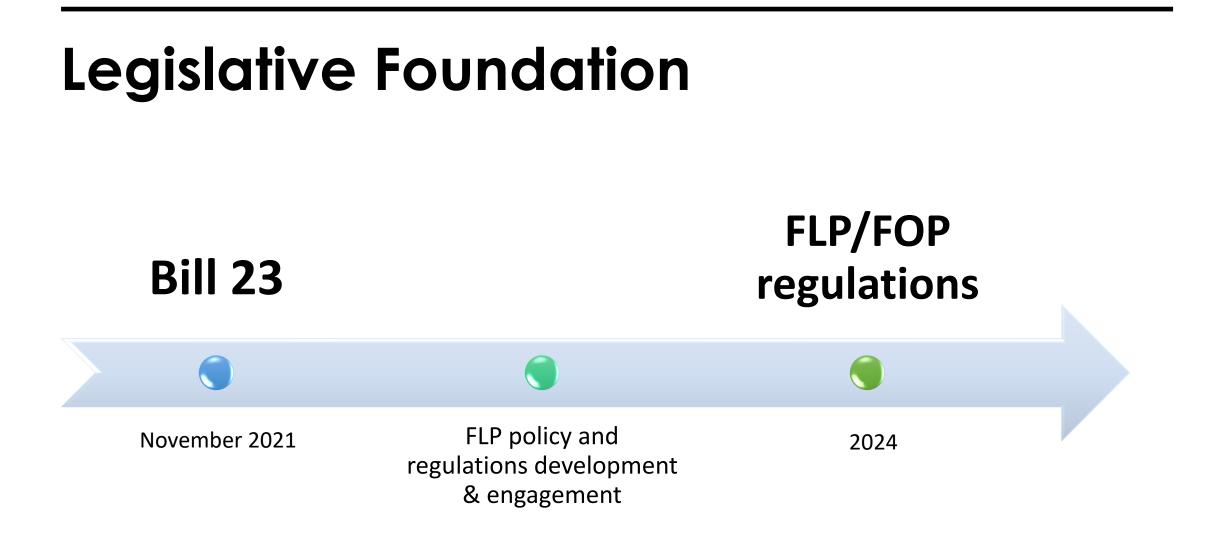
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WHY FOREST LANDSCAPE PLANNING?

Response to challenges in the BC Forest sector and opportunities for improvement to address:

- 1. Reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples Government to Government land management
- **2. Landscape level issues**: climate change, cumulative impacts, timber supply challenges and increasing disturbance on the land
- 3. Changing societal values and expectations
- 4. Numerous stewardship initiatives and projects need for integration







WHO NEEDS AN FLP AND WHEN?

- forest licence;
- tree farm licence;
- community forest agreement

 greater than 800 ha on the Coast, or
 greater than 1,200 ha in the interior;
- first nations woodland licence
- timber licence;
- forestry licence to cut that is a major licence;

When? there is no legislated timeframe for FLP.

VISION

Working collaboratively with Indigenous Nation partners, FLPs seek to...

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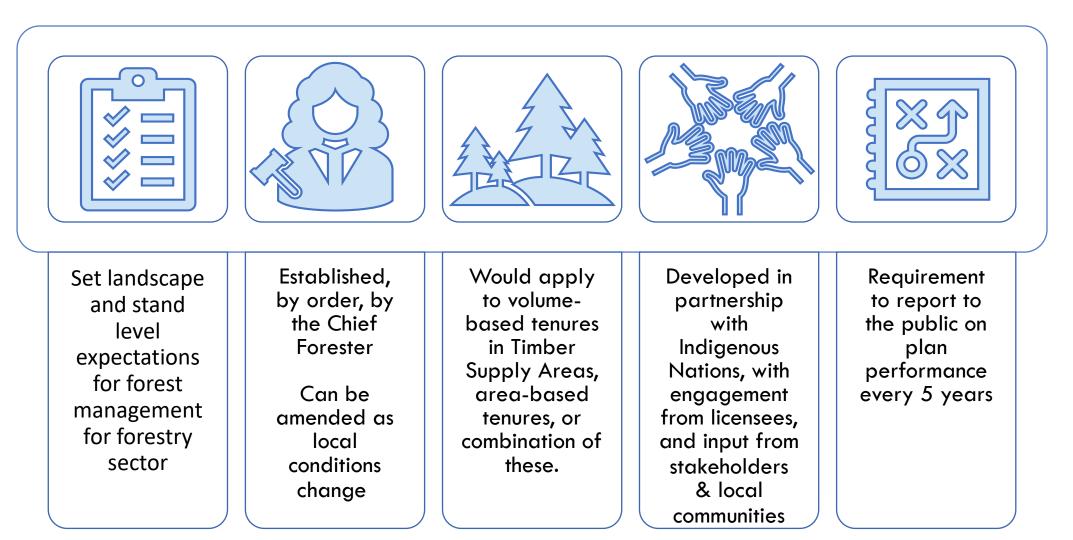




Develop directions to manage for ecosystem **health** and resiliency and support implementation of the **Old Growth Strategy**

Reflect local community **values** in forest management Establish short term (10 year plan) direction to meet a long term vision for **future forest conditions** Clarify the "where" and "how" for harvesting and other forest activities Provide **certainty** for the forest sector

FOREST LANDSCAPE PLANNING FRAMEWORK



Forest Landscape Planning Where does it fit?



Legal objectives established under 93.4 of the Land Act.

• Defines key values and sets objectives

GAR orders

Forest Landscape Plans (established by Govt)

- Translates Land Use Planning direction not addressed by legal orders
- Specifies measurable outcomes and planning guidelines

Forest Operations Plans (developed by licensees/TSMs and approved by Govt—with approval replace FSPs)

Approximate location of blocks and roads for plan term Either adopts FLP planning guidelines or specifies alternate planning guidelines with rationales to meet the FLP outcomes

Annual Forest Development Schedules

Site level (issued by Govt)

Cutting and Road Permits



Managing the values placed on forest ecosystem by Indigenous Peoples

5 OBJECTIVES WHEN PREPARING AN FLP



*There is no hierarchy associated with these objectives and the 11 FRPA values would be reflected in these 5 objectives.

WHAT IS IN SCOPE?

Road and Cutblock planning and development

- Where harvesting can occur
- Priorities for harvesting
- Where harvesting is to be done in a specific manner
- How harvesting arranged on landscape

Silviculture

- Forest health guidance and expectations
- Stand establishment (sp. composition and density)
- Subsequent treatments (spacing, fertilization, thinning)

Wildfire Management

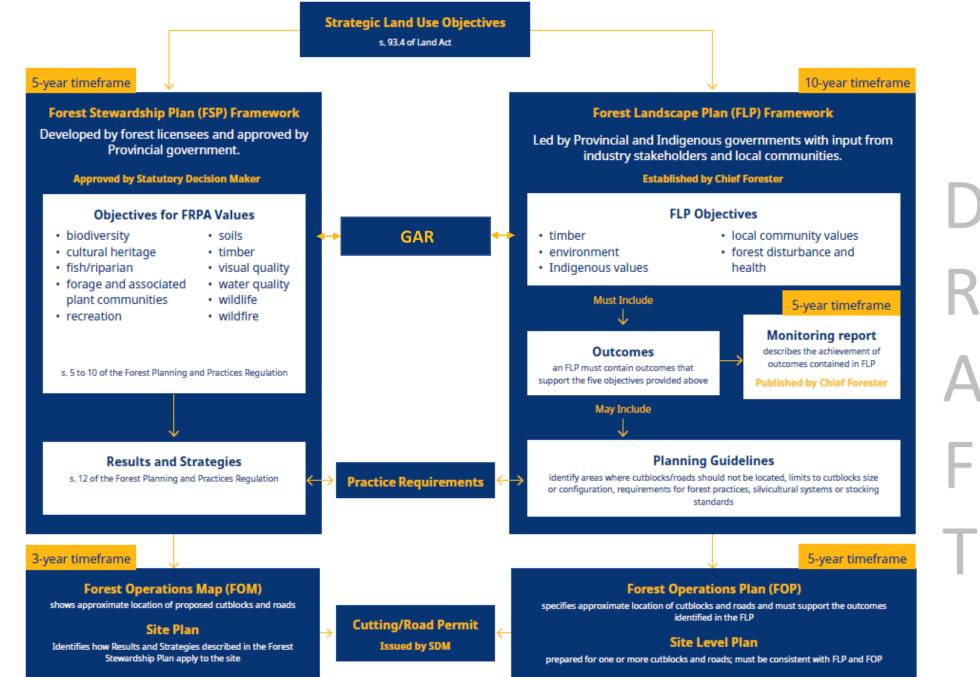
 Define requirements for activities to mitigate wildfire risk BC Government Investment

Wildfire Risk Reduction projects

- Restoration projects
- Silviculture projects
- Carbon offset projects

Access Management

- As it relates to forest licensees including road construction, deactivation & rehabilitation
- Coordination and prioritization



Approved by SDM

TRANSITION BETWEEN EXISTING PLANNING REGIME (FSP) AND FLP

Phased approach (FSPs remain in place until FOP is approved for a specific area)

During the transition, FLP and FSP frameworks will not overlap geographically

What are the phases and associated timelines of a FLP?



1) FLP preplanning

(~ 1 year)

- Explore/scope interests
- Identify FLP area
- Develop workplan/ Terms of Reference/ Indigenous consultation and cooperation process

2) Values identification and assessment

• Confirm values

Development (~2 years)

3) Plan

 Identify preferred management strategy for selected values

• Finalize draft plan recommendations

4) Plan Establishment (~6 months) • FLP order

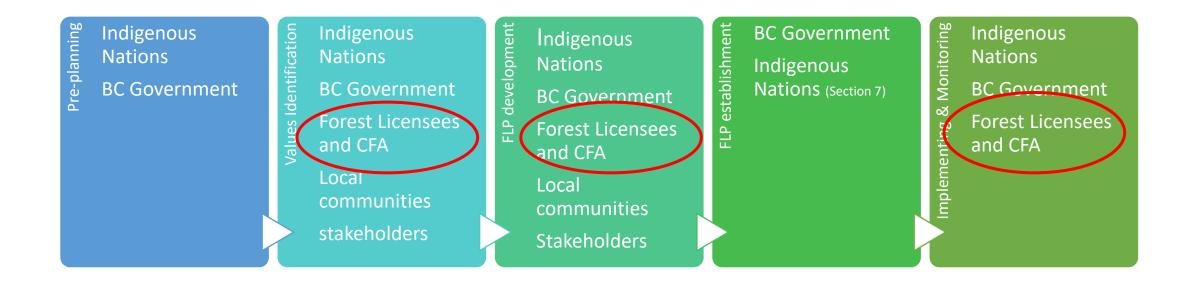
5) Plan Implementation and Monitoring (10 years)

- Develop and approve Forest Operations Plan(s)
- Implement monitoring plan
- Complete 5-year public report

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Participants in FLP Phases?





EXAMPLE FLP TABLE STRUCTURE

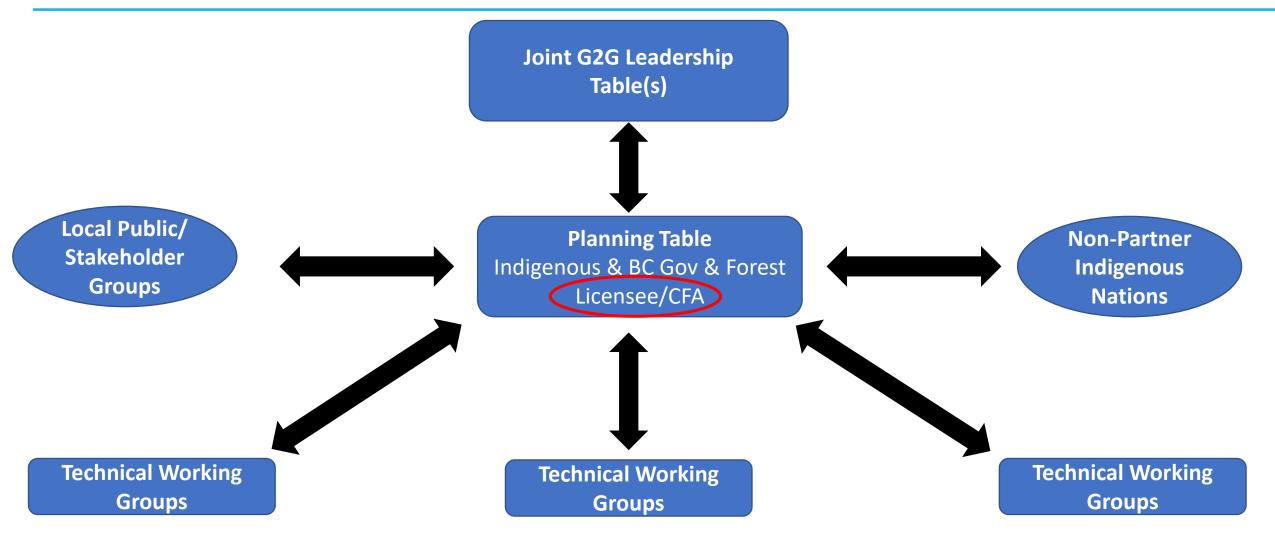
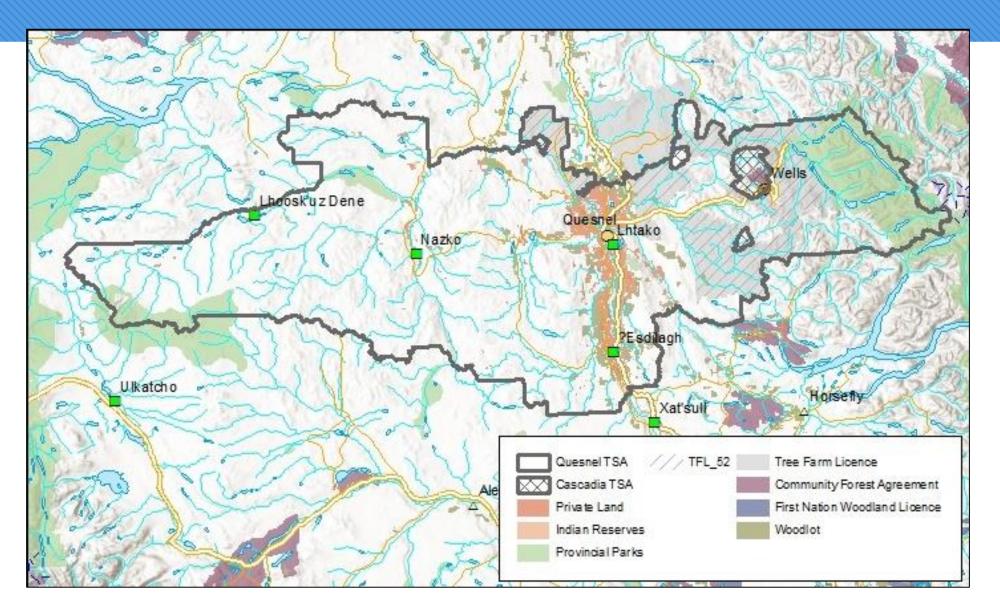


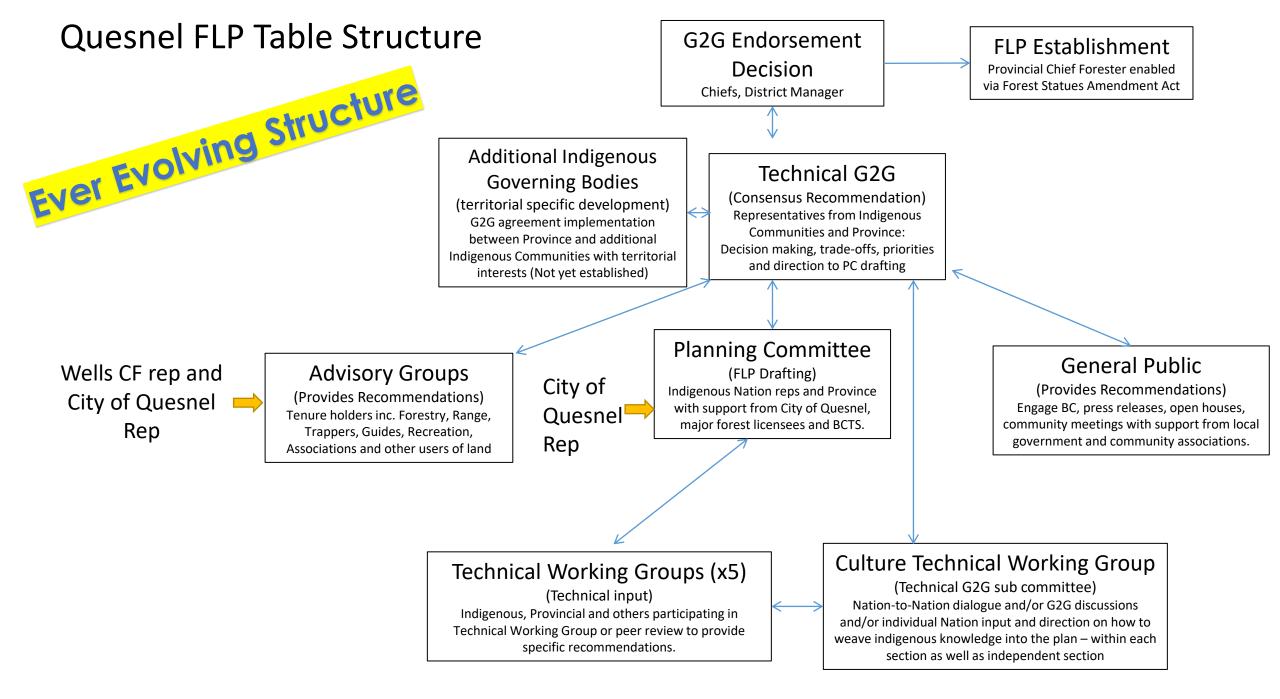
Table structure will depend on the FLP area, issues and participants.

Quesnel Forest Landscape Plan Pilot

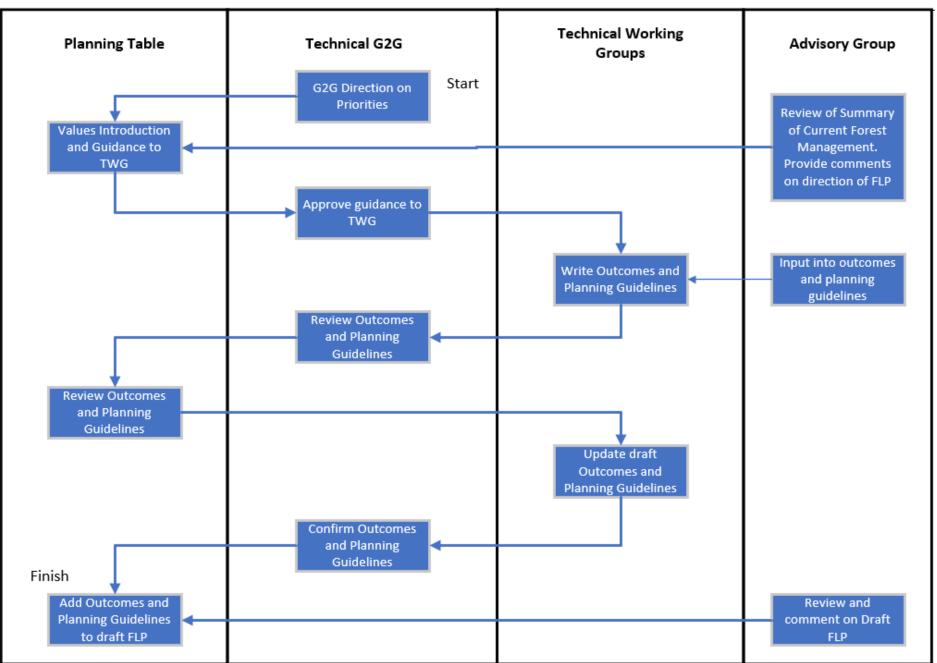




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How are forestry planning guidelines written?



That's a lot of tables to sit at...

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- Capacity issues with all FLP members
- Quesnel pilot has created guidance documents that speak to direction we have received from the G2G table, planning table and advisory table.
- These documents help guide the technical working groups in creating planning guidelines
- Can be used to get people up to speed if they can't attend meetings

Lakes Forest Landscape Plan Pilot

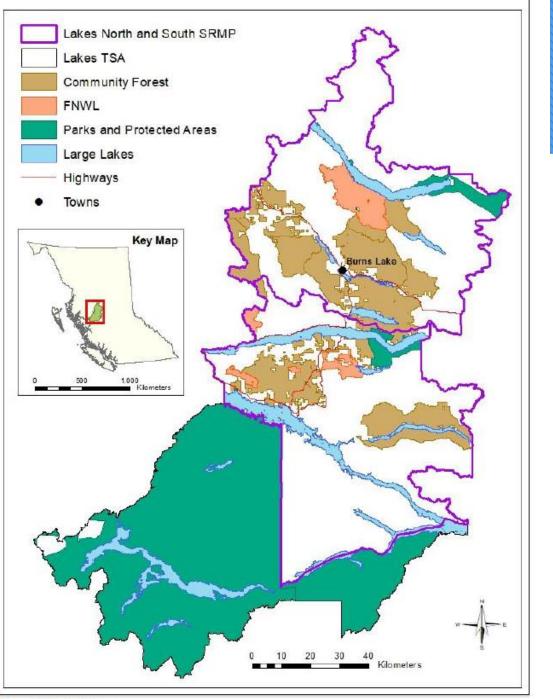
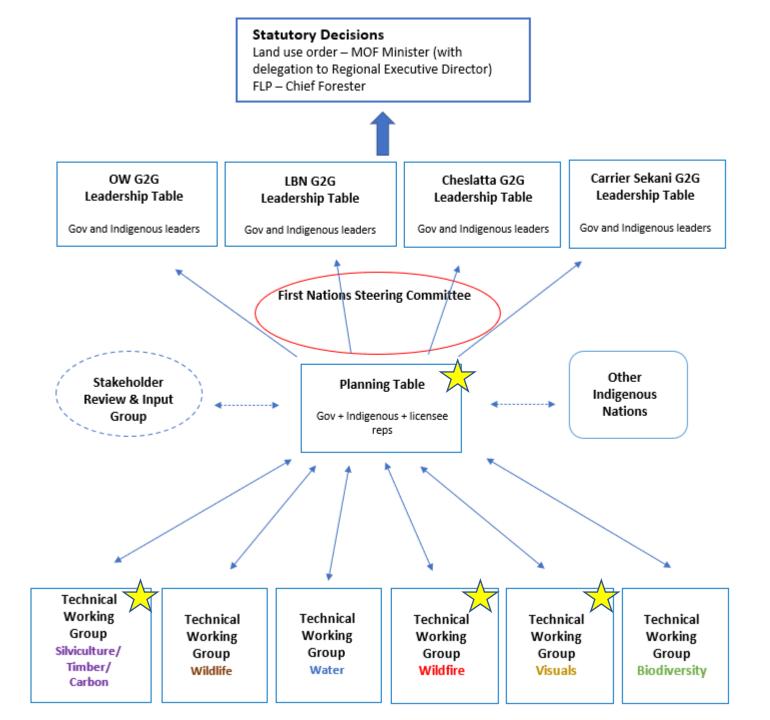


Figure 4. Project Area

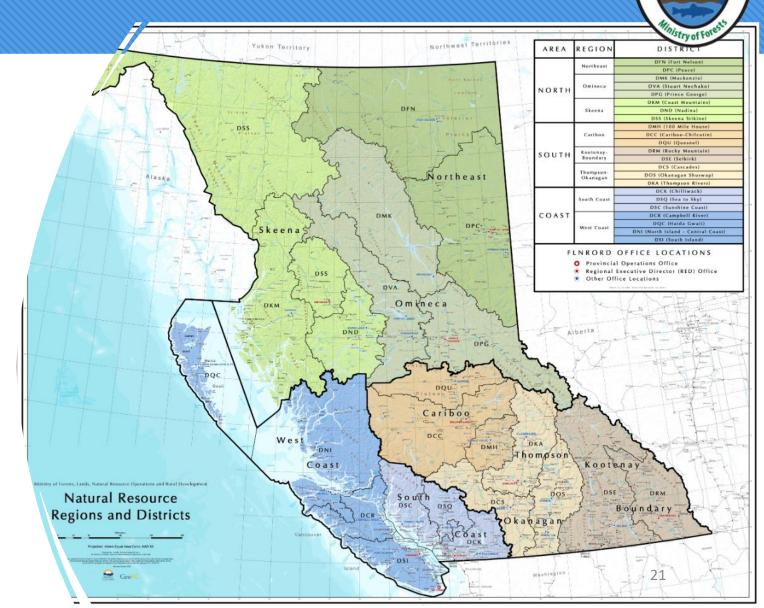
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Lakes Planning Table Structure



8 New FLPs in the Province

- 2 new in the Thompson-Okanagan region
- 2 new in the Cariboo region
- 2 new on the West Coast region
- 1 new in Omineca region
- 1 new in Skeena region
- All projects in the Pre-Planning phase





FLP Geographic Boundary Considerations



No legislated geographic boundary for FLP



Contiguous area

Capture landscape ecological processes

Consider capacity of all participants

Exploring FLP boundary scenarios



FLP boundary	Pros	Cons
Single CFA or multiple CFAs	 Possibly more control Can establish a FLP much faster (less players at the planning table). 	 More expensive More capacity from a single or multiple CFA(s) required Parallel process with respective TSAs – duplication of planning tables Limited FN capacity and funding to engage in multiple planning processes. May fragment ecological processes Contiguous area? – fragmented landscape?
Integrated within TSA or TFL	 One table including G2G, creating efficiencies. Flexibility for CFAs to include their own outcomes (zoning approach) CFAs bring innovation and new approaches to forest management 	 Increased complexity - much larger and complex than CFA area More people involved, may take longer to establish FLP

FLP WEBSITE



Home > Farming, natural resources and industry > Forestry > Forest Stewardship >

- Timber Supply Review and Allowable Annual Cut
- Sustainable Forest Management Practices
- Forest Inventory
- Forest health
- Soil Conservation
- Old Growth Forests
- Forest Stewardship Plans
 Wildfire Management
- Forest Landscape Plans

Sunshine Coast Forest Landscape Planning Pilot Project

Quesnel Forest Landscape Planning Pilot Project

Tree Farm Licence 37 Forest Landscape Planning Pilot Project

Forest Landscape Plans

Forest Landscape Planning is the process of establishing clear objectives and outcomes for the management of forest resource values over a defined area. Forest Landscape Plans will replace the current Forest Stewardship Plans as part of changes to British Columbia's forest management regime including the <u>Forest and Range Practices Act (FRPA</u>).

On this page:

- Forest landscape plan process
- Stakeholders and forest landscape plans
- Forest landscape planning framework
- Working in collaboration and cooperation with Indigenous communities
- Forest landscape planning pilot projects

Forest landscape plan process

Forest Landscape Planning will help translate high-level strategic land use planning direction to specific forest management areas. They will bridge

Related Information

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- Forest and Range Practices Act (FRPA)
- Provincial Land Use Planning
- <u>Cumulative Effects</u>
 <u>Framework</u>
- Climate Change
- Modernizing Forestry in B.C. <u>Report</u>
- <u>Strategic review of old growth</u> <u>forest management</u>

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