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ADAMS LAKE FORESTRY AGREEMENT CUT INCREASE DETERMINED

KAMLOOPS – The allowable annual cut increase for Interfor’s Adams Lake innovative forestry practices agreement has been set at 15,000 cubic metres based on the results of the company’s forest inventory, site productivity and deer winter range management projects.

The Southern Interior Forest regional manager determined the increase after reviewing the company’s application, forestry plan, timber supply analysis, and considering public and First Nations input. The company collected extensive forest inventory and site productivity data, which was used to support the increase in their allowable annual cut. Interfor has also developed a strategy that increases the area managed as mule deer winter range by 500 per cent.

The determination follows the extension of Interfor’s innovative forestry practices agreement to Aug. 31, 2011 and is similar in amount to the previously awarded increase of 14,870 cubic metres that expired at the end of 2007.

The area in the Adams Lake innovative forestry practices agreement makes up about 180,000 hectares in the Kamloops timber supply area and includes land in both the Headwaters and Kamloops forest districts. The primary tree species are Douglas fir, Engelmann spruce, lodgepole pine and subalpine fir.

Under the Forest Act, the regional manager can award an increase to the allowable annual cut of an innovative forestry practices agreement-holder. Licence holders must comply with conditions of the increase, the agreement, the Forest Act, the Forest and Range Practices Act and other relevant legislation. Under these agreements, licensees conduct activities above their basic obligations of forest management with a view to improving timber productivity. Copies of the regional manager’s rationale are available on the ministry’s website at: www.for.gov.bc.ca/rsi/IFPA/IFPA.htm

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