

January 23, 1996

File: 12430-20/CCLUP

To: Regional Manager, Cariboo Forest Region

Regional Manager, Prince George Forest Region

Re: Declaration of the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan as a Higher Level Plan:

Filing and Notice

Attached is the order declaring the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan as a higher level plan under the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act.

Upon receipt, please ensure that a notice of impending order is published in the *Gazette* and in at least one newspaper that circulates in the area where the higher level plan applies.

The notice should state:

- that a higher level plan has been declared;
- the location of the higher level plan;
- the date that the higher level plan is in effect;
- that the order, the plan and a map are available at the regional office and appropriate district offices; and
- that operational plans prepared under the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act and approved on, or after, January 31, 1996, must be consistent with the higher level plan, as defined in the order.

This information is to be made available for public viewing at regional and district offices on request. You should also ensure that the licence holders within the plan area who are responsible for preparing operational plans under the Forest Practices Code have ready access to this information.

Andrew Petter Minister of Forests

Attachment



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Order Declaring the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan to be a Higher Level Plan Pursuant to Section 1(1) of the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act

 For the purpose of this order, the term "Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan" refers to the:

Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan, October 1994;

Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan 90-Day Implementation Process Final Report, February 1995;

Addendum to the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan 90-Day Implementation Process Final Report, April 20, 1995;

Memorandum Outlining Government's Intent Regarding the Implementation of the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan, January 23, 1996; and

1:250,000 map (two sheets) of the plan area dated January 1996.

- The following provisions of the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan are declared to be a higher level plan under the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act:
 - (a) the provisions regarding zones, objectives, targets and strategies where they are applicable to operational plans;
 - (b) for the purposes of section 8(1) of the Operational Planning Regulation, the requirement for joint sign-off of forest development plans in special resource development zones as outlined on page 18 of The Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan 90-Day Implementation Process Final Report, February, 1995; and
 - c) the direction contained in the Memorandum Outlining Government's Intent Regarding the Implementation of the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan, January 23, 1996.
- This order will be filed with the regional managers of the Cariboo and Prince George Forest Regions. It will take effect on January 31, 1996.

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4. The Ministers of Forests, Environment, Lands and Parks, and Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources may, at any time, cancel, replace or amend all or part of this order.

Minister of Forests

Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks

Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources



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Re: Government's Intent Regarding the Implementation of the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan

The Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan is the outcome of a broad consensus among key stakeholders in this region. The land-use plan is a comprehensive package for land and resource management. It is being implemented in a number of ways:

- the portions of the plan that are relevant to forest and range management are being declared as a higher level plan under the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act;
- government remains committed to managing protected areas as specified in the land-use plan, and will be establishing them under appropriate legislation; and
- content pertaining to all other resource management considerations, including, but not limited to, wildlife, tourism and sub-surface resources, are being implemented as the policy direction of government.

The following sections are intended to further clarify and confirm government's intent regarding the implementation of the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan.

Memorandum and Attached Letters Pertaining to the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan, October 30, 1995

A number of letters have been issued by government representatives on various matters pertaining to the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan. These letters have been compiled under cover of a memo dated October 30, 1995, and are intended to provide additional clarification of the plan. The content of these letters should be viewed as policy direction that supplements the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan.

Scope of the Planning Area

The Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan applies to Crown land and to land that is privately held within a tree farm licence or woodlot licence in the area shown on the map dated January 1996.

Defining Zone Boundaries

For the purpose of defining zone boundaries within the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan, the 1: 250,000 map dated January 1996 applies.

Application of Resource Targets

The land-use plan identifies two broad categories of targets: general zonal targets and sub-unit targets. Zonal targets are expressions of government intent for the land use zones identified in the plan. These targets, including access to 70 per cent of the timber from the productive forest land base averaged over the special resource development zone, are firm commitments.

Sub-unit targets represent an estimate of how the zonal targets will be applied across a given zone. Where sub-unit targets are described numerically, they are not intended to be applied rigidly to each operational plan. They must, however, be substantially met across each sub-unit area in an orderly and equitable manner.

It is intended that the zonal and sub-unit targets approved by government be implemented as part of the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan. It is also recognised that, over time, revisions to the targets may be proposed through sub-regional and local planning processes. These proposals will be reviewed in the context of the overall land-use plan, and, where appropriate, be approved as formal land-use plan revisions.

Application of Seral Stage Targets for Biodiversity

The Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan 90-Day Implementation Process Final Report, February 1995 identifies a range of seral stage targets for each sub-unit within the plan area. These ranges were provided as interim guidance pending the completion of the Biodiversity Guidebook and the Regional Biodiversity Conservation Strategy. These seral stage targets are now revised to reflect the targets outlined in the guidebook. It is anticipated that these targets will be revised further to reflect the Regional Biodiversity Conservation Strategy once it is completed and approved.

Scope of Sub-Unit Targets for Mining

Sub-unit targets for mining should also be interpreted to include all oil, gas and geothermal resources.

Joint Approval of Forest Development Plans in Special Resource Development Zones

Pursuant to section 8(1) of the Operational Planning Regulation, a higher level plan can require that forest development plans be jointly approved by the district manager and the designated environment official. Appendix 5 of the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan 90-Day Implementation Process Final Report, February 1995 outlines a dispute

resolution process that includes a referral to the Inter-Agency Management Committee. Although the Inter-Agency Management Committee and others will be able to provide valuable assistance to the district manager and designated environment official in resolving issues that may arise in the context of operational plan approval, the dispute resolution process outlined in Appendix 5 cannot be applied in a way that limits the independence of the statutory decision-makers.

Maintaining Short Term Timber Supply

Attention should be placed on ensuring that there will be a continuity of wood supply for forest licensees during the phase-in period for this land-use plan. To facilitate orderly implementation, this phase-in period is extended to June 1997.

Commitment to First Nations

In keeping with government's commitment that the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan is without prejudice to First Nations, it is recognised that the plan may be amended to reflect final Treaties.

Future Direction

The Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan contains several commitments to provide additional direction in the future. Where applicable to activities managed under the *Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act*, it is government's intent to review this direction and to declare it as a higher level plan as appropriate.

Terminology

To ensure that the land-use plan is consistent with the terminology contained in the *Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act* and associated regulations, the attached Forest Practices Code definitions will apply.

Andrew Petter

Minister of Forest

Moe Sihota

Minister of Environment, Lands and Parks

Anne Edwards

Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources

Attachment

Revised Plan Terminology

The following is a list of terms from the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan and the corresponding terms from the Forest Practices Code. The source of terms from the Forest Practices Code is included for reference.

Terms from Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan Corresponding Terms: Forest Practices Code (specific source in brackets)

species and habitat at risk

identified wildlife (Operational Planning Regulation)

key lakes

quality lakes

(Cariboo Forest Region Lakeshore Guidebook -

draft)

lake management plans

lake classification (Cariboo Forest Region Lakeshore Guidebook -

draft)



DATE: June 22, 1999

TO: Government Agencies

and Other Interested Parties

RE: Adoption of the Cariboo Chilcotin Land Use Plan - Integration Report

This is to confirm that the Integration Report dated April 6, 1998 is now official government policy and will guide all government staff in their application and interpretation of the Cariboo Chilcotin Land Use Plan.

It is the responsibility of the Cariboo Mid-Coast Inter-Agency Management Committee (IAMC), in consultation with the Cariboo Chilcotin Regional Resource Board (RRB), to coordinate and monitor the application of the Integration Report and to provide clarification and interpretation of the report as required. Individual Ministries are accountable for ensuring that the delivery of programs within their respective mandates is consistent with the report.

John Allan Deputy Minister

Ministry of Forests

Cassie Doyle

Deputy Minister

Ministry of Environment,

Lands and Parks

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Order Varying the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan 90-Day Implementation Process Final Report, February 1995 Resource Management Zone Objectives Pursuant to Section 3(2) of the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act

- The Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan, including the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land Use Plan 90-Day Implementation Process Final Report, February 1995 was declared a Higher Level Plan by order dated January 23, 1996.
- Section 3(8)(b) of the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act provides that
 the provisions of the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land-Use Plan are deemed to be resource
 management zone objectives.
- 3. The resource management zone objectives of the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land Use Plan 90-Day Implementation Process Final Report, February 1995 are varied in the following manner:
 - A. by deleting the following paragraph from page 10:

"Timber targets provide assurance to the forest industry regarding access for development to the forested land base. The commitment of the land use plan that, in the Special Resource Development Zone, the forest industry would have access to 70% of the timber from the productive forest land base, with a maximum of 30% netdown for other values."

B. And replacing the deleted paragraph with the following:

Timber targets provide assurance to the forest industry regarding access for development to the forested land base. The following are the timber access targets for the zones of this Land Use Plan:

Special Resource Development Zone: access to 70% of the timber from the productive forest land base, with a maximum of 30% netdown for other values:

Integrated Resource Management Zone: access to 81% of the timber from the productive forest land base, with a maximum of 19% netdown for other values;

Enhanced Resource Development Zone: access to 83% of the timber from the productive forest land base, with a maximum of 17% netdown for other values.

4. This order will be filed with the regional manager of the Cariboo Forest Region and pursuant to section 3(4) of the Strategic Planning Regulation will take effect on July 31st, 1999 in order to adequately manage and conserve the forest resources of the resource management zone.

David Zirnhelt Minister of Forests

Dan Miller

Minister of Energy and Mines and Minister Responsible for

Northern Development

Cathy McGregor

Minister of Environment,

Lands and Parks



MEMORANDUM

DATE:

June 22, 1999

TO:

Mike A. Carlson, R.P.F.

Regional Manager Region and District Offices Cariboo Forest Region Herb Langin

Acting/Regional Director Environment & Lands Regional Office - Cariboo RECEIVED

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RE:

Delegation of Ministers' Powers under Section 3(4) of the FPC Act in relation to the Cariboo Chilcotin Land Use Plan

Pursuant to section 3(4) of the Forest Practices Code of BC Act (the Act), we hereby delegate authority to the regional manager, Ministry of Forests, Cariboo Forest Region and the regional director, Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks, Cariboo Environment and Lands Regional Headquarters to jointly vary the resource management zone objectives pertaining to sub-unit timber access targets, as described in Appendix 3 of the CCLUP 90 Day Implementation Report, for the Cariboo-Chilcotin Resource Management Zone, established pursuant to section 3(8) of the Act. This authority is intended to be exercised to ensure that a balance of all of the CCLUP targets and objectives is maintained and is subject to the following limits:

- The variation of objectives for sub-unit timber access targets, when compiled for each zone, must correspond to the following zonal timber access targets:
 - Special Resource Development Zone: access to 70% of the timber from the productive forest land base, with a maximum of 30% netdown for other values;
 - Integrated Resource Management Zone: access to 81% of the timber from the productive forest land base, with a maximum of 19% netdown for other values;
 - Enhanced Resource Development Zone: access to 83% of the timber from the productive forest land base, with a maximum of 17% netdown for other values.

 The regional manager and the regional director will only exercise this authority after notification and consultation with the appropriate representative of the Ministry of Energy and Mines (the regional manager in Kamloops or Prince George as appropriate), the Cariboo Mid-Coast IAMC and the Cariboo Chilcotin Regional Resource Board.

David Zirnhelt

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