

Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

Office of the Minister

MEMORANDUM

File: 140-03/Grants of Statutory Authority 2022

Re: Delegation of Minister's Authority under the Forest and Range Practices Act

I delegate the Minister's powers and duties under the *Forest and Range Practices Act*, as set out in the attachments to this memorandum.

This memorandum revokes and replaces the previous Delegation of the Minister's Authority under the *Forest and Range Practices Act*, as it pertained to the sections noted in the attachment to this memorandum, signed by the then Deputy Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development and dated December 1, 2021.

Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy

April 1, 2022

Date

Kevin Jardine

Printed Name and Title (if authorized signatory)

(or authorized signatory)

Attachments:

1. Delegation of Minister of Environment and Climate Change Strategy Powers and Duties under the *Forest and Range Practices Act* and Regulations, April 2022

DELEGATION OF MINISTER OF ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY POWERS AND DUTIES UNDER THE FOREST AND RANGE PRACTICES ACT AND REGULATIONS, APRIL 2022

ADM = Assistant Deputy Minister ED = Executive Director

BCWFS = BC Wildfire Service FCM = Fire Center Manager

DFCM = Deputy Fire Center Manager FOR = Ministry of Forests

DM = District Manager RED = Regional Executive Director
DRO = District Recreation Officer RM = Regional Manager

ENV = Ministry of Environment and Climate RST = Recreation Sites and Trails

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A reference to a delegate in the table below includes a person acting for the delegate.

All delegations are to staff in ENV unless otherwise noted.

An expectation of the Minister of ENV is the Minister's expectation of a government employee in the exercise of their delegated authority and is not a legally binding direction.

FOREST AND RANGE PRACTICES ACT						
Topic		Section	Delegation	Expectations of the Minister of ENV		
Part 5 - Prote	ection of Resources					
Division 3 – Recreation	Interpretive forest sites, recreation sites and recreation trails	56 (1)	ADM, BC Parks, RST			
		56 (3)	ED, RST RM, RST			
		56 (4)	ED, RST RM, RST			
	Unauthorized trail or recreation facility construction	57 (1)	DRO ED, RST RM, RST			
		57 (2)	DRO ED, RST RM, RST			
		57 (2.1)	DRO ED, RST RM, RST			
		57 (4)	DFCM, BCWFS, FOR DM, FOR FCM, BCWFS, FOR RED, FOR			
		57 (5)	DRO ED, RST RM, RST			
	Protection of recreation and range resources on Crown land	58	ED, RST RM, RST			

FOREST RECREATION REGULATION						
Topic	Section	Delegation	Expectations of the Minister of ENV			
Part 2 - Public Recreation Orders on Crown Land						
Public notice of recreation order	2 (1)	DRO ED, RST RM, RST				
	2 (2)	DRO ED, RST RM, RST				
	2 (3)	DRST RM, RST				
Part 3 - Unauthorized Trail or Recreation Facility Construction						
How to obtain authorization under section 57 of the Act	4 (1)	DRO ED, RST RM, RST				
	4 (3)	DRO ED, RST RM, RST				
	4 (4)	DRO ED, RST RM, RST				
Part 5 - Fees						
Fees for use of recreation site or trail	22 (2)	ED, RST Manager, Trails RM, RST				
	22 (3)	ED, RST Manager, Trails RM, RST				
	22 (4)	ED, RST Manager, Trails RM, RST				
	22 (6)	DRO ED, RST Manager, Trails RM, RST				
	22 (7)	DRO ED, RST Manager, Trails RM, RST				

Expectations of the Minister of ENV:

- District Recreation Officers will only carry out powers and duties for their assigned recreation district.
- When a recreation district's District Recreation Officer is unavailable, decisions will be referred to the recreation region's Regional Manager.
- If a Recreation Technician is acting in the position of District Recreation Officer, a Regional Manager will give written communication confirming the person in the acting position. The written communication will limit statutory authorities through restrictions on the person's general employment duties when appropriate.
- If staff observe non-compliance on a recreation site or trail, they will ensure their safety first prior to deciding what course of action should be taken, whether or not they have the authority to respond.