Okanagan Timber Supply Area

Amendment to the Okanagan TSA VRI Phase II Vegetation Resources Inventory Pilot Project Implementation Plan for Additional Net Volume Adjustment Factor Ground Sampling, 2007/08

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Executive Summary

This amendment to the Okanagan Timber Supply Area (TSA) Vegetation Resource Inventory (VRI) Project Implementation Plan (VPIP) has been written to detail a specific activity associated with the VRI project in the Okanagan TSA. It is the 'operational' planning document that will guide additional VRI Net Volume Adjustment Factor (NVAF) work that will be undertaken during the 2007/08 field season.

The following NVAF related work is planned for the Okanagan TSA:

- Destructive sampling will be carried out on 57 trees on 17 samples that are primarily a sub-set of the original 32 Net Volume Adjustment Factor sampling project conducted in 2002. (To obtain sufficient Cedar and Hemlock trees, several additional samples were chosen from a subset of the VRI samples.) This work will be conducted by a certified NVAF sampler.
- 2. The basis of this additional sampling is the desire to augment the previous NVAF sampling. In this planning process, specific strata have had their number of destructively sampled trees increased to increase the confidence in analysis of the trends observed for a stratum. The mature age classes (polygons 101 plus years of age) have been targeted for the project.
- 3. For the live trees, a tree list is provided in this planning document. This destructive sampling will occur on trees from the auxiliary plots that were not part of the NVAF work in 2002 (for the former NVAF samples). Since these auxiliary plots were not 'enhanced'¹ in previous field sampling, these trees will need to be enhanced by a certified VRI timber emphasis ground sampler.
- 4. For the dead trees, there was no data collected to this point in time on the auxiliary plots. As a result, the dead trees required for the project will need to be selected according to the NVAF Standard, Section 4.5 Dead Tree Selection if Not Previously Tallied.

For the Okanagan NVAF work, the population is divided into two age classes. Immature includes all stands up to 100 years of age. Mature includes all stands 101 years of age and older. The focus of the sampling in 2007/08 is in the Mature age class. This is due to several factors: it is felt that there was a representative sampling in the immature stratum in the previous NVAF project; there is a fairly large mature component in this TSA; and there is the likelihood of more variability in the Mature age class that can benefit from analysis during additional destructive sampling.

The previous NVAF project included 92 trees across all strata. The 2007/08 NVAF sampling project has allocated samples to individual strata to increase their overall sample size. Sampling will be distributed as follows:

- Spruce = 14 trees
- Douglas Fir = 9 trees
- Pine = 11 trees

¹ Enhancing an NVAF sample tree means providing full tree data collection, similar to a tree at the Integrated Plot Centre. It includes height, net factoring and call grading, tree loss and wildlife tree codes.

- Cedar = 5 trees
- Hemlock = 5 trees
- Other (minor species) = 6 trees
- Dead = 7 trees
- Total sample size = 57 trees

Costs and timelines for this project have been outlined in this plan.



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1.0 Introduction

1.1 Document Objectives

The Vegetation Resources Inventory (VRI) Project Implementation Plan (VPIP) provides operational details for VRI activities planned in a project area. This amendment to the original Okanagan VPIP identifies the steps, specific timelines, roles and responsibilities, and deliverables for a project involving additional Net Volume Adjustment Factor (NVAF) sampling.

This plan also references subsequent analyses for this project.

The document will provide a record of the work undertaken, so future users of the data will have the knowledge to correctly interpret the data.

1.2 State of VRI Inventory Plans and the NVAF Activity specifically

Plans previously written for VRI ground sampling activities on this Timber Supply Area (TSA) include:

 Okanagan TSA VRI Phase II Ground Sampling Pilot Project Implementation Plan. JS Thrower & Associates Ltd. May 2002
Okanagan TSA VRI Phase II Ground Sampling Pilot Project Implementation Plan Amendment. JS Thrower & Associates Ltd. March 2007
Updating the Okanagan TSA Phase II Samples for Mountain Pine Beetle Impacts Project Implementation Plan. JS Thrower & Associates Ltd. June 2006

Some of the general details for the NVAF sampling activity were included in the original plan. It was stated that 30 samples in the original VRI sampling population would be potential NVAF samples, and 2 auxiliary plots in each sample would be enhanced. Trees from these auxiliary plots would be eligible for selection for destructive sampling. The actual NVAF sample list was not included in the 2002 VPIP.

Referencing the provincial data base, 32 samples were identified by the VRI code 'NO1", the N denoting NVAF. The list of these samples can be found in Appendix C of this amendment.

In cooperation with the MoFR, Forest Analysis & Inventory Branch (FAIB), VRI section staff, the analyst for this project will determine how to integrate previous data (from NVAF destructive sampling) with the data collected under this project.



2.0 Ground Sampling Plan

2.1 Sampling objectives

The Okanagan TSA is comprised of a fairly mixed species representation. The primary objective of this sampling project is to provide additional data to allow for analysis of the separate NVAF strata which have been chosen to represent each of the 6 major species in the population. From a statistical perspective, confidence in the results comes with a sample size of 15 to 20 trees in a stratum. Given the results of the 2002 NVAF sampling project, the sample errors are expected to be below 10% for each of the major species.

It is also the goal of this sampling to achieve a broad geographic distribution for this NVAF project.

2.2 Target Population

At the beginning of this planning exercise, the Executive Director of the Okanagan Innovative Forestry Society asked that the option of minimizing the destructive sampling on the VRI population be investigated. One way of achieving this would be by returning to the original NVAF samples. Following some evaluation, the population that has been proposed for this study is the NVAF samples selected in the original planning exercise and visited in 2002. To minimize the complications of not knowing which trees were felled in the previous NVAF project, only the auxiliary plots <u>not</u> visited in the past will be utilized in the tree selection.

For the cedar and the hemlock strata, there were an insufficient number of cedar and hemlock trees available in the NVAF sample population. As a result, the contractor making the selection chose 3 additional samples to use for the tree selection. The following steps were taken to avoid any bias:

- 1. Utilizing the original ground sample population (0221), a subset was developed from the cedar and hemlock leading samples.
- 2. Three (3) samples were randomly selected from this subset. They are 32, 33 and 42.

2.3 Strata

The population was stratified for sample selection. In an attempt to achieve the objective of increased confidence in the trends being observed for each species, the following strata will be sampled:



- Strata 1: Douglas Fir
- Strata 2: Spruce
- Strata 3: Pine
- Strata 4: Balsam
- Strata 5: Hemlock
- Strata 6: Cedar
- Strata 7: Other species

Mature includes all polygons 101 Plus years of age. Mature represents a significant proportion of the population.

Dead trees will be sampled under a separate stratum, which includes all species.

Appendix A shows how strata and volume class sub strata are defined and how samples were distributed among them.

2.4 Sample Size

The primary objective stated in Section 2.1 was to increase the number of destructively sampled trees for strata of particular interest to 15 to 20 trees. In the 'other species' stratum (all species not captured in strata 1 to 6), there is a lot of variability and when there was difficulty in finding 10 trees in the population, the decision was made to destructively sample the 9 trees that were available and to be satisfied with that population. The number of dead trees in total (10) was based on direction from Will Smith, the Ministry of Forests & Range (MoFR) Volume and Decay Officer in the Forest Analysis & Inventory Branch, VRI section.

2.5 Sample Size and Strata

NVAF sample sizes were developed with the support of the Forest Analysis and Inventory Branch (FAIB) based on the previous NVAF project in the TSA.² The mature age class has been targeted for this work, with the age of stands being greater than 100 years. The complete NVAF population can be found in Appendix A. In addition to these live trees, NVAF projects also target increasing the number of dead trees sampled.

The existing Okanagan NVAF sample will be pooled with the new NVAF data to produce TSA wide application. Statistical weights based on the selection probabilities will be calculated to allow for the data pooling. The sample size

² The work was completed by consultants Gitte Churlish and Karen Jahraus and approved by Will Smith.



for the new sample strata is based on a guideline that a minimum of 20 trees per stratum will allow for increased confidence in the results. Departures from the minimum stratum sample size guideline have occurred for the less abundant major species of cedar and hemlock, for all minor species and for dead trees. The sample size by species in the mixed species strata immature and mature other strata is proportional to the area of leading species.

Age Grouping	No of New	Existing	Total sampled
	Sample Trees	Okanagan NVAF	trees
		Sample Trees	
Immature	0	20	20
Mature S	14	6	20
Mature Fd	9	11	20
Mature B	0	20	20
Mature PI	11	9	20
Mature C	5	10	15
Mature Hw	5	10	15
Mature Other (At	6	3	9
Act,Lw, Ep, Pa,			
Py, minor species)			
Dead	7	3	10
Total	57	92	149

Table 1. NVAF Stratum Sample Size

2.6 Sample Selection

Gitte Churlish of Churlish Consulting Ltd. has considerable experience in the Sample Selection process. Gitte was sub-contracted by Nona Phillips Forestry Consulting to complete the sample selection for the additional NVAF. She consulted with FAIB staff including Sam Otukol, Gary Johansen and Will Smith to ensure that the process meets the expectations of FAIB. On this project, it was primarily Will.

Documentation of the sample selection process is included in Appendix A.

2.7 Sampling Approach

The crews will be visiting a minimum of 17 samples to complete the destructive sampling process. In addition to completing NVAF work, at each sample they will be required to complete several preliminary steps, including:

- 1. enhancing any trees prior to falling
- 2. sweeping a randomly selected auxiliary plot for dead trees. (The procedure outlined in the NVAF Procedure manual, section 4.5 will need





to be followed. This procedure is also included in Appendix D of this plan.)

 replacing sample trees as outlined in section 4.4 of the NVAF procedures, as required. (A revised draft of the Sample Tree Procedure is included in Appendix D of this plan.)

Mentoring will occur on actual samples to focus the interaction on operational procedures and maintain production.

3.0 Implementation Plan

3.1 Scheduling

NVAF Activity
Amendment to VPIP preparation
-includes Sampling plan development and package
preparation
Plan Amendment -Finalize and get sign off.
Bid and award NVAF work to a contractor.
Hire a NVAF QA contractor.
NVAF sampling of 57 live and dead trees, including
start up mentoring and Quality Assurance reporting.
NVAF data completed and submitted to provincial
data base by contractor
Analysis of NVAF data collection.

Table 2 – Schedule of Activities

3.2 Sample Packages

The crews will be provided with a project overview map, packages from the 2002 VRI ground sampling project and data from the previous field work. In some cases, the data provided may include remeasurement conducted on samples in 2006. As required, other items that will help with the locating samples may also be made available.

3.3 Standards

The most recent edition of the Vegetation Resources Inventory Standards and Procedures will be followed for the completing this project. These are located at the website:

http://ilmbwww.gov.bc.ca/risc/pubs/teveg/index.htm



The following is a list for the critical Standards and Procedures for the Okanagan TSA NVAF project:

Planning:

Vegetation Resources Inventory Guidelines for Preparing a Project Implementation Plan for Ground Sampling and Net Volume Adjustment Factor Sampling Version 2.0, March 2006

Ground Sampling:

Net Volume Adjustment Factor Sampling Standards and Procedures Version 4.1, March 2006

VRI – Analysis and Adjustment

Vegetation Resources Inventory Procedures and Standards for Data Analysis Attribute Adjustment and Implementation of Adjustment in a Corporate Database Version 2.0, March 2004

3.4 Roles and Responsibilities

This is a Licensee-lead initiative. There is also support from the VRI inventory section of the Ministry of Forests & Range. The main participants in the project include:

Glen Dick, Lead Proponent, Executive Director, Okanagan Innovative Forestry Society

MoFR Forest Analysis and Inventory Branch, VRI section contacts: Planning: Gary Johansen, VRI Audit Coordinator NVAF: Will Smith, Volume & Decay Sampling Officer

MoFR Regional staff contact, Southern Interior Forest Region: Operational: Matt Makar, VRI Phase II Inventory Forester

MoFR District contacts and representative, Okanagan Shuswap Forest District: Bernie Kaplun

The preparation of the VRI planning documents for the Okanagan NVAF Addendum has been contracted to Nona Phillips Forestry Consulting. It is Nona Phillips' understanding that she will follow through with coordinating the field activities undertaken on this project as the Project Manager including bidding out the work and overseeing the work of the field crews and QA contractor.



In regard to supplies for the Ground sampling, the Licensees will provide:

• Helicopter access as required

3.4.1 Field Work

In the 2007/08 fiscal year, fieldwork will be tendered and contracted out for the NVAF ground sampling to crews made up of a Certified NVAF sampler with a qualified VRI timber sampler for the enhancement work

3.4.2 Quality Assurance

All mentoring and Quality Assurance for the NVAF ground sampling is the responsibility of the Licensee and will be funded through the FIA allocation. The QA will be conducted by a MoFR approved 3rd Party Contractor.

The MoFR will be involved in approving the conduct of the QA for this project. Dependent on their availability, Will Smith or Matt Makar may have a field presence, as well as an office review involvement.

3.4.3 Data Compilation, Analysis and Adjustment

Following the completion of the NVAF destructive sampling field work in 2007/08, follow up work will include:

- Final review of data through the validation process to identify any errors before the samples are compiled;
- Data compilation
- Statistical analysis
- Inventory file adjustment

The first task is part of the NVAF project. The additional items will be completed under the direction of the Okanagan Innovative Forestry Society.



3.5 Sample List

Please Note: A complete sample list is provided in Appendix A.

Sample					
#	N Aux	E Aux	S Aux	West	Total
8	3		2		5
10			2		2
18		2			2
20		1	3		4
22			1		1
24			1		1
32	1		1	3	5
33	1				1
40		2			2
42		1	1	1	3
73	2	2			4
86	3			1	4
90		2	1		3
93				1	1
101		1		6	7
103	3		1		4
105		1			1
Total	13	12	13	12	50

Table 3 – 2007 sample list by of LIVE trees by sample number and auxiliary plot

*Note: dead trees are not included in this table as their location will be determined as part of the field work.

3.6 Deliverables

One of the major responsibilities of the Project Manager is to insure that all deliverables for the ground sampling projects are delivered to the appropriate MoFR, FAIB, and VRI section staff and that they follow RISC Procedures and meet the appropriate Standards.

All project files will be provided including:

From the Field contractors

- Return of the Project packages
- Digital sample data on CD and proof of their submission directly to the MoFR
- Additional data collected as require for this project, in the format specified in the contract and at the pre-work
- Documentation of any modifications to the sample lists

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- Project files regarding the QA Sample selection
- A record of the mentoring day including a summary of any concerns
- Quality Assurance records including a summary spreadsheet on the work completed and the QA reports
- Sign off letter with seal

From the Project Manager

- Project files regarding the planning process and the Sample selection
- Project records related to contracting the field work, including the competitive bidding process
- Records from Branch regarding receipt of the data by Branch
- From the QA contractor, the Quality Assurance records including a spreadsheet summarizing the overall project, the QA reports and a sign off letter
- Documentation of any modifications to the sample lists

3.7 Costs

Table 4 – NVAF Costs Based on Activities and Sample Size

VRI Activity	Sample Size	Unit Cost	Total Cost
<u>NVAF GROUND</u>			
<u>SAMPLING</u>			
Amendment to current VRI			\$10,000
VPIP including sub-			
contractor			
Project Management of the			\$5,000
field work			
NVAF destructive sampling	57	\$600/tree	\$34,200
Helicopter access			\$10,000
Mentoring and QA			\$5,000
Final Compilation/analysis			\$5,000
for NVAF			
Total			\$69,200



3.8 Sign-off sheet

Okanagan Timber Supply Area Vegetation Resources Inventory Project Implementation Plan – Addition for Supplementary Net Volume Adjustment Factor Sampling

It is the intention of the Okanagan Innovative Forestry Society (OIFS) to implement this Addition to the Okanagan Timber Supply Area Vegetation Resources Inventory Project Implementation Plan for Ground Sampling (VPIP) as described. As a key stakeholder in the inventory, the MoFR VRI staff has been consulted throughout the development of this plan.

Glen Dick, R.P.F.
Executive Director

Date

I have reviewed this Addition to the Okanagan Timber Supply Area Vegetation Resources Inventory Project Implementation Plan for Ground Sampling (VPIP). The work proposed in this plan meets Vegetation Resources Inventory Standards and MOFR business needs.

Jon Vivian, R.P.F. Manager Vegetation Resources Inventory Section Forest Analysis and Inventory Branch Ministry of Forests and Range Victoria, British Columbia Date



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3. Updating the Okanagan TSA Phase II Samples for Mountain Pine Beetle Impacts Project Implementation Plan. JS Thrower & Associates Ltd. June 2006

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5. Timberline Forest Inventory Consultants. March 31, 2005. A User's Guide to the Vegetation Resources Inventory. FIA / Tolko Industries Limited.

The most recent edition of the Vegetation Resources Inventory Standards and Procedures will be followed for the completing this project. These are located at the website:

http://ilmbwww.gov.bc.ca/risc/pubs/teveg/index.htm



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Appendix A

NVAF Profile



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During the spring of 2007, the Executive Director of the OIFS stated his intention to follow the MoFR's advice to augment their NVAF sampling in order to strengthen the statistics around specific strata. In collaboration with the government, the contracting community has developed a plan to provide a more defensible number of trees in each species group so that the NVAF statistics could be discussed by species in the mature age class.

This Appendix includes a series of spreadsheets provided by Churlish Consulting Ltd that provide a full documentation of the sample selection for this NVAF project.

Previous NVAF sample

lv_d_nvaf	age_grp	sp_nvaf	COUNT
D	Mat	BL	2
D	Mat	SE	1
L	Imm	BL	2
L	Imm	CW	2
L	Imm	EP	1
L	Imm	FD	3
L	Imm	FDI	3
L	Imm	HW	1
L	Imm	PLI	5
L	Imm	SX	3
L	Mat	ACT	1
L	Mat	AT	1
L	Mat	BL	20
L	Mat	CW	10
L	Mat	FD	2
L	Mat	FDI	9
L	Mat	HW	10
L	Mat	LW	1
L	Mat	PL	1
L	Mat	PLI	8
L	Mat	SE	4
L	Mat	SX	2
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*This data is obtained from the destructively sampled data files.



Samp_#	N	E	S	W	····· 3 , -
0003		2			
8000			3		3
0010		4			
0014				3	2
0018					3
0020					1
0022		1			3
0024		2			
0028			2		
0034			1		
0037		1	2		
0040		1		2	1
0043		3			1
0045			3		
0048				1	1
0052			4	1	
0072		2			1
0073				3	2
0076		1		1	
0077		1	2		2
0082		1			
0086			1		
0089		3	1	1	1
0090		2			3
0095		1			
0100		2		1	
0103			1		5
0105		1			2

Plots Used during previous NVAF sampling, 2002

Species available in the previously unsampled plots

age_grp	LV_D	species	COUNT
Mat	L	BL	10
Mat	L	CW	34
Mat	L	FDI	10
Mat	L	HW	11
Mat	L	AT	1
Mat	L	EP	2
Mat	L	LW	2
Mat	L	PY	1
Mat	L	PLI	33
Mat	L	SE	10
Mat	L	SX	10
	age_grp Mat Mat Mat Mat Mat Mat Mat Mat Mat Mat	age_grpLV_DMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatLMatL	age_grpLV_DspeciesMatLBLMatLCWMatLFDIMatLHWMatLEPMatLLWMatLPYMatLSEMatLSX



Plot list available



indicates selected



Sample list

age_gr		PROJ_I	SAMP_N					
р	sp_grp	D	0	plot	tree_no	LV_D	species	dbh
Mat	Ced	0221	0040	E	002	L	CW	23
Mat	Ced	0221	0042	S	003	L	CW	33.2
Mat	Ced	0221	0032	W	004	L	CW	46.9
Mat	Ced	0221	0032	W	001	L	CW	58.8
Mat	Ced	0221	0032	Ν	005	L	CW	70.8
Mat	Fir	0221	0073	E	004	L	FDI	22
Mat	Fir	0221	0073	E	003	L	FDI	26.5
Mat	Fir	0221	0086	Ν	001	L	FDI	32.8
Mat	Fir	0221	0101	W	006	L	FDI	63.3
Mat	Fir	0221	0101	W	004	L	FDI	67.7
Mat	Fir	0221	0101	W	002	L	FDI	83.6
Mat	Fir	0221	0101	W	005	L	FDI	86.6
Mat	Fir	0221	0101	W	009	L	FDI	92.2
Mat	Fir	0221	0101	W	007	L	FDI	96.9
Mat	Hem	0221	0033	Ν	006	L	HW	20.1
Mat	Hem	0221	0042	W	002	L	HW	34.2
Mat	Hem	0221	0042	Е	005	L	HW	39
Mat	Hem	0221	0032	S	006	L	HW	49.4
Mat	Hem	0221	0032	Ŵ	003	-	HW	77
Mat	Ot	0221	0086	N	002	-	AT	22.1
Mat	Ot	0221	0073	N	003	-	IW	27.4
Mat	Ot	0221	0086	N	003	-	FP	30.8
Mat	Ot	0221	0040	F	004	1	FP	32.7
Mat	Ot	0221	0073	N	001	1		35.6
Mat	Ot	0221	0086	\N/	003	1	PY	72.3
Mat	PI	0221	0000	N	000	1	PLI	12.0
Mat		0221	0103	N	003	1		1/ 3
Mat		0221	0105		007	1		14.5
Mat		0221	0103	۲ ۵	003	1		17.2
Mot		0221	0103	5	005	1		10.4
Mot		0221	0000	L Q	000	1		10.4
Mot		0221	0090	5	002	L I		10.9
Mot		0221	0090		000	L I		22
Mot		0221	0103	N C	000	L 1		22.0
Mot		0221	0020	5 6	002	L 1		24.0
Mot		0221	0020	о г	004			20
Mat	PL Cr	0221	0020		004			30.9
Mat	Sp	0221	0090	E	005		SE	12.7
Mat	Sp	0221	0010	3	004	L .	57	15.8
Mat	Sp	0221	8000		005	L	58	18.4
Mat	Sp	0221	0018	E	002	L	SE	20
Mat	Sp	0221	0018	E	003	L	SE	26.3
Mat	Sp	0221	0093	VV	001	L	SX	29.4
Mat	Sp	0221	0024	S	002	L	SE	29.5
Mat	Sp	0221	8000	S	002	L	SX	30.1
Mat	Sp	0221	0010	S	006	L	SX	35.1
Mat	Sp	0221	0020	S	001	L	SE	37.2
Mat	Sp	0221	0008	N	001	L	SX	41.5



Mat	Sp	0221	0008	S	006	L	SX	44.3
Mat	Sp	0221	0022	S	004	L	SE	57.8
Mat	Sp	0221	8000	Ν	003	L	SX	59.3
List by	sample i	number						
age_gr		PROJ_I	SAMP_N					
р	sp_grp	D	0	plot	tree_no	LV_D	species	dbh
Mat	Ced	0221	0040	E	002	L	CW	23
Mat	Ced	0221	0042	S	003	L	CW	33.2
Mat	Ced	0221	0032	W	004	L	CW	46.9
Mat	Ced	0221	0032	W	001	L	CW	58.8
Mat	Ced	0221	0032	Ν	005	L	CW	70.8
Mat	Fir	0221	0073	E	004	L	FDI	22
Mat	Fir	0221	0073	E	003	L	FDI	26.5
Mat	Fir	0221	0086	Ν	001	L	FDI	32.8
Mat	Fir	0221	0101	W	006	L	FDI	63.3
Mat	Fir	0221	0101	W	004	L	FDI	67.7
Mat	Fir	0221	0101	W	002	L	FDI	83.6
Mat	Fir	0221	0101	W	005	L	FDI	86.6
Mat	Fir	0221	0101	W	009	L	FDI	92.2
Mat	Fir	0221	0101	W	007	L	FDI	96.9
Mat	Hem	0221	0033	Ν	006	L	HW	20.1
Mat	Hem	0221	0042	W	002	L	HW	34.2
Mat	Hem	0221	0042	Е	005	L	HW	39
Mat	Hem	0221	0032	S	006	L	HW	49.4
Mat	Hem	0221	0032	W	003	L	HW	77
Mat	Ot	0221	0086	Ν	002	L	AT	22.1
Mat	Ot	0221	0073	Ν	003	L	LW	27.4
Mat	Ot	0221	0086	Ν	003	L	EP	30.8
Mat	Ot	0221	0040	Е	004	L	EP	32.7
Mat	Ot	0221	0073	Ν	001	L	LW	35.6
Mat	Ot	0221	0086	W	003	L	ΡY	72.3
Mat	PL	0221	0103	Ν	009	L	PLI	12.9
Mat	PL	0221	0103	Ν	007	L	PLI	14.3
Mat	PL	0221	0105	Е	005	L	PLI	15
Mat	PL	0221	0103	S	003	L	PLI	17.2
Mat	PL	0221	0101	E	006	L	PLI	18.4
Mat	PL	0221	0090	S	002	L	PLI	18.9
Mat	PL	0221	0090	E	006	L	PLI	22
Mat	PL	0221	0103	Ν	008	L	PLI	22.5
Mat	PL	0221	0020	S	002	L	PLI	24.6
Mat	PL	0221	0020	S	004	L	PLI	25
Mat	PL	0221	0020	Ē	004	L	PLI	36.9
Mat	Sp	0221	0090	F	005	-	SE	12.7
Mat	Sn	0221	0010	S	004	-	SX	15.8
Mat	Sn	0221	0008	N	005	-	SX	18.4
Mat	Sp	0221	0018	F	002		SF	20
Mat	Sn	0221	0018	F	003		SE	26.3
Mat	Sn	0221	0093	W	001	-	SX	20.0 29 <i>1</i>
Mat	Sp	0221	0024	S	002		SF	29.5
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Mat	Sp	0221	0008	S	002	L	SX	30.1
Mat	Sp	0221	0010	S	006	L	SX	35.1
Mat	Sp	0221	0020	S	001	L	SE	37.2
Mat	Sp	0221	8000	Ν	001	L	SX	41.5
Mat	Sp	0221	8000	S	006	L	SX	44.3
Mat	Sp	0221	0022	S	004	L	SE	57.8
Mat	Sp	0221	8000	Ν	003	L	SX	59.3

Population

sp_grp	age_grp	PROJ_ID	SAMP_NO	plot	tree_no	LV_D	species	dbh	comment
Bal	Mat	0221	0090	S	001	L	BL	16.5	
Bal	Mat	0221	0010	S	001	L	BL	16.7	
Bal	Mat	0221	0022	S	003	L	BL	20	
Bal	Mat	0221	0090	E	008	L	BL	23.7	
Bal	Mat	0221	0020	E	002	L	BL	32.3	
Bal	Mat	0221	0022	S	002	L	BL	36.3	
Bal	Mat	0221	0020	E	003	L	BL	37.1	
Bal	Mat	0221	0024	E	005	L	BL	41.1	
Bal	Mat	0221	0024	E	002	L	BL	47	
Bal	Mat	0221	0024	S	001	L	BL	51.6	
Ced	Mat	0221	0052	N	001	L	CW	12.9	
Ced	Mat	0221	0040	Е	002	L	CW	23	Selected
Ced	Mat	0221	0033	W	002	L	CW	27.4	
Ced	Mat	0221	0052	Ν	006	L	CW	30.3	
Ced	Mat	0221	0033	W	001	L	CW	31.1	
Ced	Mat	0221	0040	Е	003	L	CW	32	
Ced	Mat	0221	0042	S	003	L	CW	33.2	Selected
Ced	Mat	0221	0040	E	001	L	CW	34.9	
Ced	Mat	0221	0042	E	001	L	CW	42.8	
Ced	Mat	0221	0042	Ν	002	L	CW	45.4	
Ced	Mat	0221	0033	E	003	L	CW	45.7	
Ced	Mat	0221	0032	W	004	L	CW	46.9	Selected
Ced	Mat	0221	0042	S	004	L	CW	48.1	
Ced	Mat	0221	0042	E	008	L	CW	53.3	
Ced	Mat	0221	0042	E	007	L	CW	57.3	
Ced	Mat	0221	0032	W	001	L	CW	58.8	Selected
Ced	Mat	0221	0042	S	002	L	CW	61.2	
Ced	Mat	0221	0032	E	003	L	CW	62.6	
Ced	Mat	0221	0042	S	008	L	CW	62.6	
Ced	Mat	0221	0032	E	004	L	CW	70	
Ced	Mat	0221	0032	Ν	005	L	CW	70.8	Selected
Ced	Mat	0221	0032	W	002	L	CW	89.3	
Ced	Mat	0221	0045	W	001	L	CW	101	
Ced	Mat	0221	0045	W	002	L	CW	109	
Fir	Mat	0221	0073	E	004	L	FDI	22	Selected
Fir	Mat	0221	0073	Е	003	L	FDI	26.5	Selected
Fir	Mat	0221	0086	Ν	001	L	FDI	32.8	Selected

Fir Fir	Mat Mat	0221	0101	W	006	L	FDI FDI	63.3 67.7	Selected
Fir	Mat	0221	0101	۷۷ \\\/	007		FDI	83.6	Selected
l II Eir	Mot	0221	0101	۷۷ ۱۸/	002	L 1		96.6	Selected
FII Eir	Mot	0221	0101	VV \\/	005			00.0	Selected
	Mot	0221	0101	VV \\/	000			91.9	Coloctod
	Mat	0221	0101		009	L	FDI	92.2	Selected
FIr	Mat	0221	0101	VV	007	L	FDI	96.9	Selected
Hem	Mat	0221	0033	N	006	L	HW	20.1	Selected
Hem	Mat	0221	0033	E	001	L	HVV	25.6	
Hem	Mat	0221	0033	N	004	L	HW	30.6	
Hem	Mat	0221	0032	S	005	L	HW	31.8	.
Hem	Mat	0221	0042	W	002	L	HW	34.2	Selected
Hem	Mat	0221	0033	Ν	003	L	HW	34.3	
Hem	Mat	0221	0033	S	001	L	HW	36.1	
Hem	Mat	0221	0042	E	005	L	HW	39	Selected
Hem	Mat	0221	0032	S	004	L	HW	40.3	
Hem	Mat	0221	0052	Ν	003	L	HW	40.3	
Hem	Mat	0221	0032	Ν	003	L	HW	49.1	
Hem	Mat	0221	0032	S	006	L	HW	49.4	Selected
Hem	Mat	0221	0032	W	006	L	HW	57	
Hem	Mat	0221	0052	Ν	004	L	HW	60	
Hem	Mat	0221	0032	W	003	L	HW	77	Selected
Hem	Mat	0221	0032	Ν	001	L	HW	84	
Hem	Mat	0221	0032	Е	001	L	HW	92.8	
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Ot	Mat	0221	0086	N	002	L	AT	22.1	Selected
Ot	Mat	0221	0073	N	003	L	LW	27.4	Selected
Ot	Mat	0221	0086	Ν	003	L	EP	30.8	Selected
Ot	Mat	0221	0040	E	004	L	EP	32.7	Selected
Ot	Mat	0221	0073	N	001	L	LW	35.6	Selected
Ot	Mat	0221	0086	W	003	L	PY	72.3	Selected
PL	Mat	0221	0103	N	009	L	PLI	12.9	Selected
PL	Mat	0221	0105	S	003	L	PLI	13.2	
PL	Mat	0221	0103	S	005	L	PLI	13.9	
PL	Mat	0221	0103	Ν	007	L	PLI	14.3	Selected
PL	Mat	0221	0090	Е	007	L	PLI	14.9	
PI	Mat	0221	0105	F	004	-	PLI	15	
PI	Mat	0221	0105	F	005	-	PLI	15	Selected
PI	Mat	0221	0093	N	005	_ I	PLI	16.3	00100104
PI	Mat	0221	0103	S	002	1	PLI	16.6	
DI	Mat	0221	0103	\$	002			17.2	Salactad
	Mot	0221	0103	5	003			17.2	Gelected
	Mot	0221	0101		000			10.1	
r L DI	iviat Mot	0221	0103		006	L I		10.1	Soloated
	Mot	0221	0101		000			10.4	Selected
	Mat	0221	0105		001			10.4	
	iviat	0221	0105		002	L		18.4	
	iviat	0221	0090	5	002	L	PLI	18.9	Selected
Ы	Mat	0221	0093	N	004	L	PLI	19.5	



PL	Mat	0221	0090	S	004	L	PLI	20	
PL	Mat	0221	0090	Е	006	L	PLI	22	Selected
PL	Mat	0221	0090	Е	002	L	PLI	22.1	
PL	Mat	0221	0090	Е	009	L	PLI	22.4	
PL	Mat	0221	0103	Ν	800	L	PLI	22.5	Selected
PL	Mat	0221	0093	Ν	001	L	PLI	22.8	
PL	Mat	0221	0105	S	001	L	PLI	24.2	
PL	Mat	0221	0020	S	002	L	PLI	24.6	Selected
PL	Mat	0221	0020	S	003	L	PLI	24.6	
PL	Mat	0221	0093	Ν	002	L	PLI	24.6	
PL	Mat	0221	0020	S	004	L	PLI	25	Selected
PL	Mat	0221	0103	Ν	005	L	PLI	26.1	
PL	Mat	0221	0101	W	003	L	PLI	36.8	
PL	Mat	0221	0020	Е	004	L	PLI	36.9	Selected
PL	Mat	0221	0018	Ν	003	L	PLI	43.6	
PL	Mat	0221	0020	Е	005	L	PLI	46.4	
Sp	Mat	0221	0090	Е	005	L	SE	12.7	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	0010	S	004	L	SX	15.8	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	0018	Ν	001	L	SE	16.7	
Sp	Mat	0221	8000	Ν	005	L	SX	18.4	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	0018	Е	002	L	SE	20	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	0018	Е	003	L	SE	26.3	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	8000	Ν	004	L	SX	29.4	
Sp	Mat	0221	0093	W	001	L	SX	29.4	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	0024	S	002	L	SE	29.5	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	0018	Е	001	L	SE	29.6	
Sp	Mat	0221	8000	S	002	L	SX	30.1	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	0010	S	006	L	SX	35.1	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	0022	S	001	L	SE	36.8	
Sp	Mat	0221	0020	S	001	L	SE	37.2	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	8000	Ν	001	L	SX	41.5	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	8000	S	006	L	SX	44.3	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	0020	Е	001	L	SE	46.3	
Sp	Mat	0221	0022	S	004	L	SE	57.8	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	8000	Ν	003	L	SX	59.3	Selected
Sp	Mat	0221	8000	Ν	002	L	SX	62.3	



CLSTR_ID	Cedar	Hemlock	Age		
0221-0032-TO1	6	8	286		
0221-0033-TO1	3	5	127		
0221-0034-TO1		1	296		Used
0221-0037-TO1	3	5	336		Used
0221-0039-TO1	16	2	327		
0221-0040-TO1	8	1	138		used
0221-0042-TO1	8	2	128		
0221-0043-TO1	3	1	327		
0221-0050-TO1	2	5	57	* too young	
0221-0051-TO1	1	4	40	* too young	
0221-0052-TO1	4	9	227		Used
0221-0054-TO1	1	1	25	* too young	
0221-0055-TO1	3	4	57	* too young	
0221-0057-TO1	3	3	98	* too young	
0221-0059-TO1	2	6	97	* too young	
0221-0064-TO1	5	7	88	* too young	
0221-0065-TO1		5	87	* too young	
0221-0089-TO1	5	1	74	* too young	

Cedar and Hemlock Possible

Selected

Proportions of Dead trees in the IPC's of all the current TEP plots

				Percents excluding					
sp_grp	LV_D	COUNT	PERCENT	Х					
В	D	27	16.07	19%	1.9	done			
С	D	14	8.33	10%	1.0				
E	D	1	0.60	1%	0.1				
F	D	20	11.90	14%	1.4				
Н	D	4	2.38	3%	0.3				
Р	D	63	37.50	45%	4.5				
S	D	12	7.14	9%	0.9	done			
Х	D	27	16.07	19%					
	all dead dead no	168			10.0	total #			
	Х	141				desired			
recomme	nd	1 cedar							
		1-2 fir							
		4-5 PL							
for a total	of 7 dead	trees							



Sam	nple										
#		N Aux		E Aux	[S Aux		West		Total	
	8		3				2				5
spp		Sx-3				Sx-2					
	10						2				2
spp						Sx-2					
	18				2						2
spp				Se-2							
	20				1		3				4
						Pli-2					
spp				Pli-1		Sx-1					
	22						1				1
spp						Se-1					
	24						1				1
spp						Se-1					
	32		1				1		3		5
								Cw-2			
spp		Cw-1				Hw-1		Hw-1			
	33		1								1
spp		Hw-1									
	40				2						2
				Cw-1							
spp				Ep-1							
	42				1		1		1		3
spp				Hw-1		Cw-1		Hw-1			
	73		2		2						4
spp		Lw-2		Fdi-2							
	86		3						1		4
		At-1 E	p-								
spp		1						Py-1			
		Fdi-1									
	90				2		1				3
				Pli-1							
spp				Se-1		Pli-1					
	93								1		1
spp								Sx-1			
	101				1				6		7
spp				Pli-1				Fdi-6			
	103		3				1				4
spp		Pli-3				Pli-1					
	105				1						1
spp				Pli-1							
Tota	al		13		12		13		12	:	50

Sample List 2007 – Distribution by species



Appendix B Okanagan TSA NVAF Sample Points Map





Appendix C Original NVAF sample list

For this project, the samples targeted are the ones selected for the project in the 2002 planning process. This data was obtained using the provincial data base. The three samples at the bottom of this list were selected for their cedar and hemlock content.

proj id	samp no	type cd	meas dt	utm	easting	northing	map no	polygon
0221	0003	NO1	6/18/2002	11	321607	5612173	082L063	00650
0221	0008	NO1	6/22/2002	10	397299	5544478	082L008	00304
0221	0010	NO1	7/12/2002	11	351651	5679612	082M025	00010
0221	0014	NO1	6/23/2002	10	314048	5581097	082L032	00257
0221	0018	NO1	7/8/2002	11	325290	5610188	082L063	00505
0221	0020	NO1	7/6/2002	11	287873	5463011	082E021	00056
0221	0022	NO1	7/4/2002	11	361092	5535251	082E096	00250
0221	0024	NO1	7/9/2001	11	343201	5672625	082M014	00130
0221	0028	NO1	7/2/2002	11	284566	5471863	082E031	00299
0221	0034	NO1	6/12/2002	11	370656	5691105	082M036	00137
0221	0037	NO1	6/20/2002	11	36870	5706582	082M046	00020
0221	0040	NO1	5/31/2002	11	365327	5639773	082L086	00446
0221	0043	NO1	6/18/2002	10	401775	5607918	082L069	00496
0221	0044	NO1	5/26/2002	10	384316	5534917	082E097	00345
0221	0045	NO1	5/28/2002	10	406278	5558796	082L019	00098
0221	0048	NO1	6/17/2002				082L037	00600
0221	0052	NO1	6/22/2002	10	406850	5557719	082L019	00196
0221	0067	NO1	5/25/2002	10	369506	5584836	082L046	00442
0221	0072	NO1	7/5/2002	10	707955	5449044	092H020	00078
0221	0073	NO1	5/27/2002		364021	5562165	082L016	00032
0221	0076	NO1	5/26/2002	11	316735	5531508	082E093	00186
0221	0077	NO1	5/27/2002				082E022	00515
0221	0082	NO1	5/24/2002	10	318662	5588860	082L043	00210
0221	0086	NO1	5/25/2002	11	303964	5525181	082E082	00240
0221	0089	NO1	6/15/2002	11	338913	5643635	082L094	00055
0221	0090	NO1	6/13/2002	10	713017	5519474	092H080	00685
0221	0093	NO1	5/30/2002	11	285357	5543262	082L001	00004
0221	0095	NO1	5/31/2002	10	714300	5544786	092I010	02002
0221	0100	NO1	7/13/2002	11	325338	5585103	082L033	00339
0221	0101	NO1	7/3/2002	10	717131	5472696	092H040	00251
0221	0103	NO1	6/21/2002	10	337375	5548226	082L004	00156
0221	0105	NO1	6/12/2002	11	353620	5550794	082L005	00064
0221	0032	TO1		11	363805	5695991	082M036	14
0221	0033	TO1		11	380265	5611462	082L067	275
0221	0042	TO1		11	370339	5641859	082L096	76



Appendix D

Draft NVAF Tree Replacement Process and Dead Tree Selection if not Previously Tallied¹

¹ Provided by Will Smith in an Email dated May 8, 2007



11/19/2007



4.3.4 Assessment of Sample Tree List

The sample tree list must be assessed to determine and correct problems around insufficient numbers or and inadequate geographic distribution of trees tallied in the selection matrix cells. These problems can arise because of the small number of the NVAF ground samples, particularly for uncommon species. Solutions will depend on type of problem, as per:

- Inadequate distribution where all of the sample trees may come from one or two samples: Use the sample tree replacement process, outlined in section 4.4, to select similar trees first from other NVAF ground samples and secondly from other VRI ground samples. A minimum distribution of four ground samples is recommended. Do not use these replacement samples to select other NVAF sample trees.
- Insufficent number of tallied trees where the selection matrix and application stratum consists of a single species: identify the ground samples that contain the species of interest and make a random selection of one to several additional ground samples. Do not use these additional samples to select other NVAF sample trees.
- Insufficent number of tallied trees where the application stratum consists of multiple species: group species together into one selection matrix.

4.4 Sample Tree Replacement

All selected trees should be used in the computation of the NVAF. However, there are a number of situations where one or more selected NVAF trees may need to be replaced. These situations include:

- A selected tree is unsafe to fall.
- A selected tree is situated in such a way that if felled, it would be impossible to measure, i.e. the tree is above a bluff or a waterway.
- A selected tree is found to be an active wildlife tree or has other characteristics that would outweigh its importance to the NVAF sample.
- The tree conditions no longer match the matrix cell used to classify the tree for the selection process or the dbh is substantially different from the one used in the selection. For example, the tree could have died or have been heavily damaged by fire or other causes.

If this occurs, then select a replacement tree from the same selection matrix cell and with a similar dbh. It is essential to select the replacement trees without bias. Replacement selection methods vary on circumstance as per:

Individual tree found to be unsuitable for sampling:

- 1. Select the replacement tree from one of the tallied trees in any of the auxiliary plots of the ground sample. This is the most efficient from a sampling perspective and is used when the felling or sampling restriction applies to an individual tree rather than an entire sample, or
- 2. If there are no suitable trees amongst the tallied trees, a replacement tree can be selected from elsewhere in the polygon through the use of a random bearing from the center of the auxiliary plot. The replacement tree should be given a non

Okanagan IFPA Okanagan Innovative Forestry Society sequential tree number, such as #99 and fully enhanced prior to felling and sectioning.

Ground sample found to be unsuitable for sampling:

- 1. Select a replacement tree from the list of trees tallied in the auxiliary plots of the remaining NVAF ground samples.
- 2. If there are an insufficient number of trees for the replacement selection or their distribution is limited as can occur with uncommon species, then select additional ground samples for NVAF. Identify the subset of ground samples that contain tallied trees of the same selection matrix cell and make a random selection of enough ground samples to satisfy the number of replacement trees. Usually this will amount to 1 to 3 additional ground samples.

4.5 Dead Tree Selection if Not Previously Tallied

If enhancements are being done concurrent with the destructive sampling, then all dead trees within the selected auxiliary plot must be tallied and enhanced prior to selection. Once the subset of dead potential trees is identified, the sample tree can be selected without bias. Steps to take for the selection process are:

- 1. Randomly select an auxiliary plot from each of the NVAF ground samples
- 2. Once at the selected auxiliary plot, tally all dead trees
- 3. Estimate the subset of dead potential trees through an estimate of % sound of each dead tree. Trees that are obviously under 50% sound wood can be ignored. Trees that are borderline 50% sound should be properly net factored.
- 4. Use the following formula to determine the trees that are actually dead potential:

$$Tree _\% sound _wood = \frac{\sum (\log_length * \log_\% _sound)}{\sum (\log_length)}$$

Any tree that is more than or equal to 50% sound wood can be considered to be dead potential.

- 5. Use the random number table to select one tree for destructive sampling.
- 6. Enhance the selected dead sample trees using the regular enhancement process.

