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Re: Amendment No. 5 to the *Provincial Logging*

Residue and Waste Measurement Procedures Manual

I hereby approve Amendment No. 5 to the *Provincial Logging Residue and Waste Measurement Procedures Manual*, and attach a copy for your use.

This amendment incorporates changes made to the *Coast Appraisal Manual* pertaining to pricing change of hemlock and balsam Grade U, and Grade X for all species.

This amendment comes into force on May 1, 2006, and is to be implemented on the basis of the date of survey.

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1.0 Waste Assessment Policy

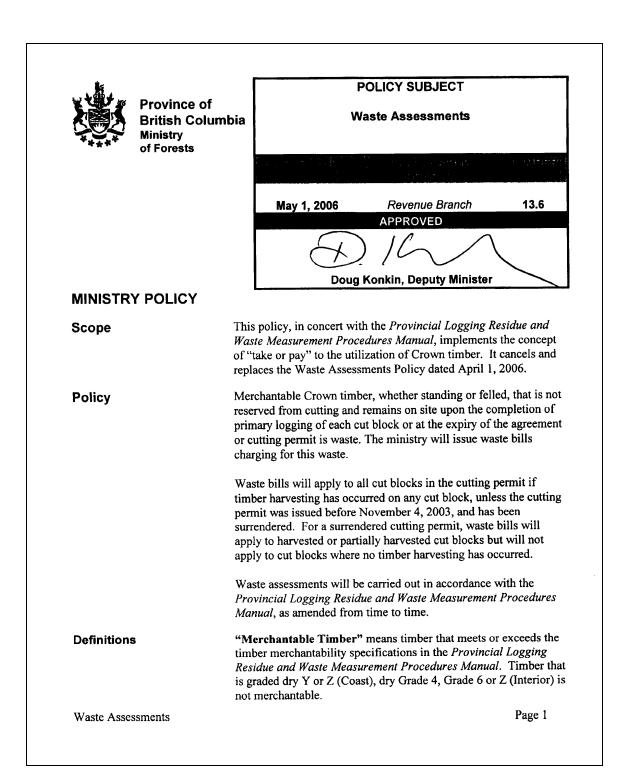


Figure 1.1 Waste Assessment Policy.

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Waste Assessments

"Primary Logging" means the cutting of timber and the yarding of that timber to a central landing, roadside or drop area in a logging operation.

"Reserved Trees" means merchantable timber left after completion of primary logging that is reserved from cutting for silviculture, biodiversity or other specific forest management reasons.

"Timber Harvesting" means the felling or removal of timber other than on road rights-of-way or landings on a cut block.

"Waste" means timber, except timber reserved from cutting, whether standing or felled, which meets or exceeds the timber merchantability specifications described for the Coast and the Interior in the *Provincial Logging Residue and Waste Measurement Procedures Manual*, that was not removed from the cutting authority area.

"Waste Bills" means a monetary invoice issued by the Ministry of Forests for waste reported in a waste assessment.

Authority

Waste assessments are authorized under:

- Forest Act, sections; 13(3)(b), 14(d)(ii), 20(3)(ii), 22(f)(ii), 33(5)(ii), 35(c)(ii), 43.3(d)(ii), 43.7(2)(e)(ii), 43.8(e)(ii), 45(1)(d)(ii), 47.5(1)(ii), 47.7(f)(ii), 103.1, 118(c)(ii).
- Provisions for waste assessments are made in the agreements and/or cutting authorities.
- Provincial Logging Residue and Waste Measurement Procedures Manual.

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Responsibility

The district manager is responsible for conducting waste assessments on forestry licences to cut, occupant licences to cut, timber sale licences (non BC Timber Sales) and for conducting waste assessment check surveys.

The timber sales manager is responsible for conducting waste assessments on timber sale licences, forestry licences to cut and permits issued by BC Timber Sales.

Holders of a major licence, woodlot licence, community forest agreement, community salvage licence, or road permit are responsible for conducting waste assessments on their licence(s).

Methods

Only those methods described in the *Provincial Logging Residue* and Waste Measurement Procedures Manual are to be used for conducting waste assessments.

Waste Classification

Waste is classified as either unavoidable or avoidable.

Unavoidable waste means waste that:

- is inaccessible or physically obstructed; or
- could not be felled, bucked or removed due to safety or environmental reasons.

Avoidable waste means waste that does not fall within the definition of unavoidable waste.

Reporting

Waste assessments must be completed and reported within the time periods specified in the *Provincial Logging Residue and Waste Measurement Procedures Manual*.

Waste Benchmarks

Monetary billings will only be made on the avoidable waste volumes in excess of the waste benchmarks established in the *Provincial Logging Residue and Waste Measurement Procedures Manual.*

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Monetary Billing

Avoidable waste will be billed according to the species and log grades.

Coniferous saw logs (Grade U or better all species and hemlock and balsam Grade J [Coast]); Grade 1 and Grade 2 (Interior) will be billed at the waste rate pertaining to the timber mark and derived in a method described in the *Provincial Logging Residue* and Waste Measurement Procedures Manual.

Grade U hemlock and balsam, coniferous Grade X, coniferous and deciduous Grade Y (Coast), and Grade 4 (Interior) will be billed at the rates established for these grades in either the *Coast* or *Interior Appraisal Manual* plus any bonus or levies where applicable.

Deciduous species graded saw log will be billed using the appraised stand as a whole rate or where not available, the fixed rate for the species as specified in the *Coast or Interior Appraisal Manual*, plus any bonus or levies where applicable.

Assessment Submissions

Completed waste assessments must be submitted and signed off under the signature of:

- a registered professional forester or a registered forest technologist registered with the Association of BC Forest Professionals; or
- a licensed logging residue surveyor or a licensed scaler, licensed by the Ministry of Forests.

References

- Forest Act
- Provincial Logging Residue and Waste Measurement Procedures Manual

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1.1 Purpose and Rationale

1.1.1 Purpose

Waste assessments are carried out to bill licensees monetarily for timber except reserved timber, whether standing or felled, that was not removed from the cutting authority area and which meets or exceeds the timber merchantability specifications described below.

Table 1-1 Coast Timber Merchantability Specifications

Des	cription	Mature*	Immature*
Stur	nps**		
•	no higher than	30 cm	30 cm
Тор	diameter (inside bark)		
•	all timber that meets or exceeds	15 cm	10 cm
Slab	thickness:		
•	all slabs that meet or exceed (cedar only)	15 cm	10 cm
•	all slabs that meet or exceed (all other species)	10 cm	10 cm
Mini	mum length		
•	log or slab	3 m	3 m

* The selection of Mature or Immature is based on the determination of maturity in a timber cruise of the cutblock. Once a cutblock is determined to be "mature" in a cruise compilation (based on 50 + % of coniferous timber having an average age of 121 years or older and deciduous timber having an average age of 41 years or older), the Mature Timber Merchantable Specifications shall be used for waste measurement of all coniferous and deciduous timber left within the cutblock. Conversely where a cutblock belongs to immature in a cruise, the Immature Timber Merchantable Specifications shall be used for waste measurement of all coniferous and deciduous timber left within the cutblock.

Table 1-2 Interior Timber Merchantibility Specifications

Description All Stands						
Stur	mps**					
•	no higher than	30 cm				
Diar	neter (outside bark) at stump height					
•	Lodgepole pine: all timber that meets or exceeds	15 cm				
•	All other species: all timber that meets or exceeds	20 cm				
Тор	diameter (inside bark or slab thickness)					
•	For all species and ages, except Cedar older than 141 years, all timber that meets or exceeds	10 cm				
•	For Cedar older than 141 years	15 cm				
Mini	mum length					
•	log or slab	3 m				
**	Measured on the side of the stump adjacent to the highest ground.					

Waste volumes are measured and billed monetarily in accordance with the following Table 1-3.

Table 1-3: The Disposition of Waste Volumes in Monetary Billing

	Tal	ole Values I	Effective I	May 1, 2006	(Valid for	all Speci	es)		
	(G	ALL STANDS						
		R		AVOIDABLE		U	NAVOIDABL	E	
LOG	,	A	(from field da	ta)	(f	(from field data)		
		D							
TYPE	·	E							
		s	Class	Measure	Rate *	Class	Measure	Rate *	
	Coast	Interior	W/X	YES/NO	S/\$0.25	W/X	YES/NO	S/\$0.25	
Sawlog **	U or better	1 and 2	w	YES	S	w	YES	NB	
Sawlog Hembal	J or better								
Sawlog **	х		w	YES	\$0.25	w	YES	NB	
Sawlog Hembal	U								
Lumber Reject	Y	4	w	YES	\$0.25	w	YES	NB	
Dead Dry Lumber Reject	Dry Y	Dry 4	x	NO	NB	х	NO	NB	
Undersize		6	x	NO	NB	x	NO	NB	
Firmwood Reject	z	z	x	NO	NB	x	NO	NB	

Class: Waste, X other

Rate: S = 12-month average Stumpage rate for all coniferous species, and the stumpage rates established in the Coast or Interior Appraisal Manual for all deciduous species, \$0.25 =

fixed base rate. NB = No Billing.

All rates charged will include any bonus bids and levies where applicable.

See Appendix 5 for waste benchmarks.

** On coast, all species except hemlock and balsam.

1.1.2 Rationale

The right to harvest Crown timber is granted in the form of agreements under the *Forest Act*.

The licensee has the discretion of whether or not to harvest the timber from the agreement area subject to the forest management standards required.

Pursuant to the *Forest Act*, an agreement holder must pay stumpage for timber that was harvested.

Under the *Forest Act* and the agreements, the licensee must pay a waste assessment for merchantable timber not harvested and for timber deemed to be wasted.

1.1.3 Definitions

"Waste" means timber, except timber reserved from cutting, whether standing or felled, which meets or exceeds the timber merchantability specifications described for the Coast and the Interior in this manual that was not removed from the cutting authority area.

"Unavoidable waste" means waste that:

- i. is inaccessible or physically obstructed;
- ii. could not be felled, bucked or removed due to safety or environmental reasons

"Avoidable waste" means waste that does not fall within the definition of unavoidable waste.

"Merchantable timber" means timber that meets or exceeds the timber merchantability specifications that are described in Table 1-1 for the Coast and in Table 1-2 for the Interior in this manual. Timber that is graded dry Y (5) or Z (Coast), graded dry 4, 6 or Z (Interior) is not merchantable.

"Timber Merchantability Specifications" means stump height and diameter, log top diameter, slab thickness and log length described in this manual for the Coast and the Interior.

"Waste assessment" means an assessment conducted in accordance with the procedures set out in the *Provincial Logging Residue and Waste Measurement Procedures Manual* for determining the volumes of merchantable timber and waste left on a harvested area following completion of primary logging.

"Waste benchmark" means the volume of avoidable waste, expressed in cubic metres per hectare, that can be left on a harvested area without being subject to a monetary waste assessment.

1.1.4 Monetary Billings

Subject to the waste benchmarks described in Appendix 5, the avoidable waste volumes are billed as follows

1.1.4.1 Coast

The avoidable conifer grade X, Y and grade U hemlock and balsam waste volumes are billed at 0.25 per m^3 .

Dead/dry grade Y (grade 5) timber not removed from the harvested area is not measured in waste assessments.

The avoidable coniferous sawlogs Grade J or better hemlock and balsam and grade U or better for all other species waste volumes are billed at the average stumpage rates determined in Appendix 3 of this manual.

1.1.4.2 Interior

The avoidable waste volumes of grade 4, lumber reject; are billed at \$0.25 per m³.

The avoidable sawlog grades (1 and 2) volumes are billed at the average stumpage rates determined in Appendix 3 of this manual.

1.1.5 Deciduous

Deciduous species are treated the same as coniferous species for waste billing purposes. Deciduous timber within the merchantability specifications that is not harvested, is measured as waste.

1.1.6 Amount Payable

For merchantable Crown timber that is not cut and removed, the amount payable is calculated by multiplying:

- a. the volumes of avoidable waste reported in a waste assessment after deducting the waste benchmark volume allowed under Appendix 5, by
- b. the applicable stumpage rates as follows:
 - i. Coniferous species graded:
 - (a) sawlog the rates specified in 1.1.4.1 and 1.1.4.2,

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5.1.5 Grading Pieces

Log pieces must be graded according to the rules in the *Scaling Manual* except where the waste rules are different and then waste rules are used.

For example the minimum log length for waste is 3 m instead of the 2.5 m in the *Scaling Manual*.

For more information on the grading rules see the Scaling Manual.

On the coast, due to the timber pricing changes made to Hembal U and X grades for all coniferous species, refer to Appendix 6 on how to grade bucking waste, stumps, logs and standing trees.

5.1.6 Visual Estimates

If loose debris cannot be quickly moved away to facilitate measurements in dispersed plots, or if logs and/or branches in landings prevent measuring one of the ends or the length of a log, visually estimate the missing dimension. In order to correctly establish the grade, at least one end must be visible or the piece should not be recorded.

5.1.7 Measure Factor

In deep accumulations, it may not be possible to measure or visually estimate each piece. In these cases, first measure and/or visually estimate the material that is accessible.

Then, project the plot boundaries down to the ground and visually estimate what portion of the volumes within the plot boundaries were measured. Record this portion on the plot tally card under "measure %."

This percent is known as the "Measure Factor", and is only applied to the plot method.

Measure as many pieces as possible, even when some dimensions of an individual piece must be estimated.

In the example below: If you were able to measure down approximately 2 m, you would record a measure factor of 40 percent providing that the volumes of waste were spread evenly through the cylinder within the plot boundaries. The measure factor is derived from $2m/5m \times 100\% = 40\%$.

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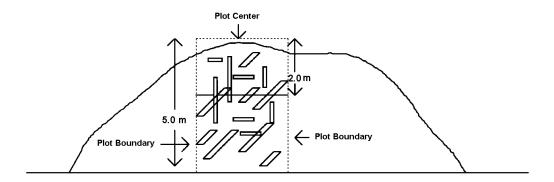


Figure 5.1 Measure Factor.

5.1.8 Deductions for Rot

For material containing rot, measure and record the gross dimensions of the piece (actual size) including rot. In addition, surveyor calculates the volume deduction for rot but records the deduction equivalent in rads and/or metres, along with the most appropriate "decay type".

Avoidable waste volumes in sawlog grade and catastrophic grade 3 from the dispersed, accumulated and the standing tree subpopulations of the cutblock will be applied to the benchmark. Catastrophic grade 3 will be applied to the benchmark first followed by the sawlog grade.

Where the avoidable waste volumes in sawlog grades and catastrophic grade 3 are below the established benchmark for the cutblock, no monetary billing of avoidable waste in sawlog and catastrophic grade 3 will be made.

Where the avoidable waste volumes in sawlog grade and catastrophic grade 3 are above the established benchmark for the cutblock, monetary billings will be made on the sawlog and the catastrophic grade 3 volumes exceeding the benchmark

Avoidable waste volumes in endemic grade 3, and grade 4 will not be applied to the benchmark but will be billed monetarily in all cases.

ii. Survey date on or after April 1, 2006

Avoidable waste volumes in sawlog grades (grade 1 and 2) from the dispersed, accumulated and standing tree subpopulations of the cutblock will be applied to the benchmarks.

Where the avoidable waste volumes in sawlog grades are below the established benchmark for the cutblock no monetary billing of avoidable waste in sawlog grades will be made.

Where the avoidable waste volumes in sawlog grades are above the established benchmark for the cutblock, monetary billings will be made on the sawlog grade volumes exceeding the benchmark.

Avoidable waste volumes in grade 4 will not be applied to the benchmark but will be billed monetarily in all cases.

3. Benchmark Eligibility

All cutblocks where primary logging had been completed after January 1, 1999 will qualify for the waste benchmarks.

The benchmarks are administered on an individual cut block basis, regardless of whether the cutblock is in the Cutblock, the Aggregate or the Ocular Reporting Unit. Therefore, each cut block must be individually assessed to determine whether the avoidable waste within the cutblock is above or below the benchmark.

No waste benchmarks will be applied to log decks that in the determination of a forest officer are subject to scaling at a scale site or being field scaled. Such log decks must be clearly marked by the licensee and not to be included in the waste assessment.

Waste benchmarks do not apply to the unharvested cutblocks.

No waste benchmark will be applied to an area of a cutblock where the wasted timber volume compromised the site-specific forest management objective(s). The area must be delineated, waste assessed and billed separately from the remaining area of the cutblock.

BRITISH Worksheet for Waste B	OAST Ministry of Forests Billing Against Benchmarks
To be Comple	eted by by Licensees Cut Block
Timber Mark	Reporting Unit No.
Primary Logging Completion Date	Cut Block Net Area ha
Location	Stand/Site Type
Calculations	
Established benchmark = (A) - (B) = If (C) < or = 0.0000, stop If (C) > 0.0000, proceed as follows: Waste Monetary Reduction Factor (WMRF) :	M³/ha (A) M³/ha (B) M³/ha (C) (C)/(A) =
Processing If (C) is < or = 0.0000, on FS 702, code: Avoidable all species sawlogs (X or better) Avoidable all species grade Y: Unavoidable all species all grades:	
If (C) is > 0.0000, request average sawlog rate fr Average coniferous sawlog rate (HBS) = Deciduous sawlog rate = On FS 702, code Avoidable coniferous species sawlogs (X or Avoidable deciduous species sawlogs: (D x Avoidable all species grade Y: \$0.25/m³ Unavoidable all species all grades: \$0.00/m²	\$/m ³ (E) \$/m ³ (F) better) (D x E) = \$/m ³ \$/m ³
Approved by Forest Officer (signature)	Date

Figure A5.1a Sample of Worksheet for Waste Billing Against Benchmarks (Coast) for Blocks Surveyed before May 1, 2006.

BRITISH Worksheet for Waste	OAST Billing Against Benchmarks	Ministry of Forests
Licence No. CP No.	eted by by Licensees Cut Block	:k
Timber Mark	Reporting Unit No.	
Primary Logging Completion Date	Cut Block Net Area	ha
Location	Stand/Site Type	
Calculations		
(A) - (B) If (C) < or = 0.0000, stop If (C) > 0.0000, proceed as follows: Waste Monetary Reduction Factor (WMRF)	M³/ha M³/ha M³/ha (C)/(A) = (to four decimals)	(B) (C)
Processing If (C) is < or = 0.0000, on FS 702, code: Avoidable all species sawlogs (X or better Avoidable all species grade Y: Unavoidable all species all grades:	\$0.00/m ³ \$0.25/m ³ \$0.00/m ³	
If (C) is > 0.0000, request average sawlog rate f Average coniferous sawlog rate (HBS) = Deciduous sawlog rate = On FS 702, code Avoidable hembal (J or better) and all other Avoidable hembal U and grade X all specie Avoidable deciduous species sawlogs: (D x Avoidable all species grade Y: \$0.25/m³ Unavoidable all species all grades: \$0.00/m	\$/m ³ \$/m ³ conifer (U or better) (D x E) = \$ s = D x \$0.25/m ³ \$ F) = \$ \$	
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Figure A5.1b Sample of Worksheet for Waste Billing Against Benchmarks (Coast)) for Blocks Surveyed after May 1, 2006.

INTERIO BRITISH Worksheet for Waste B COLUMBIA	Ministry of Forests		
	eted by by Licensees	Cut Block	
	Reporting Unit No.	Cut Block	
Timber Mark Primary Logging Completion Date			ha
Location	Cut Block Net Area Stand/Site Type		- IIa
	Stand/Site Type		
Calculations			
Establish benchmark =	0	M³/ha(C)	
If (D) < or = 0.0000, stop If (D) > 0.0000, proceed as follows: Waste Monetary Reduction Factor (WMRF) =	D = (to four decimals)	(E)	
To be Comple Processing	eted by Forest Service		
If (D) is < or = 0.0000, on FS 702, code: Avoidable all species sawlogs: Avoidable all species grade 3: Avoidable all species grade 4: Unavoidable all species al grades:	\$0.00/m ³ \$0.25/m ³ \$0.25/m ³ \$0.00/m ³		
If (D) is > 0.0000, request average sawlog rate (Average coniferous sawlog rate (HBS) = Deciduous sawlog rate = On FS 702, code Avoidable coniferous species sawlogs (E x Avoidable deciduous species sawlogs: (E x Avoidable all species grade 3: \$0.25/m³ Avoidable all species grade 4: \$0.25/m³	\$/m ³ \$/m ³ F) = \$/m ³	(F) (G)	
Unavoidable all species all grades: \$0.00/m	n ³		
Approved by Forest Officer (signature)	Date		

Figure A5.2a Sample of Worksheet for Waste Billing Against Benchmarks (Interior Endemic) for Blocks Surveyed before April 1, 2006.

Вкітізн Социмві	Worksheet for Waste E	CATASTROPHIC Billing Against Benchmarks	Ministry of Forests	
Licence No.	To be Comple CP No.	eted by by Licensees	Cut Block	
Timber Mark	0, 110.	Reporting Unit No.	Out Block	
	Completion Date	Cut Block Net Area		ha
Location	,	Stand/Site Type		
Calculation	S			
Avoidable	Waste:			
	Sawlog =		M³/ha (A)	
		·		
	Establish benchmark =		M³/ha (C)	
	[(A)+(B)]-(C)		M³/ha (D)	
	If (D) < or = 0.0000, stop			
lf (D)	> 0.0000, proceed as follows:			
Wa	ste Monetary Reduction Factor (WMRF) =	D = (to four decimals)	(E)	
	To be Comple	eted by Forest Service		
Processing				
lf (D) is ≺	or = 0.0000, on FS 702, code:			
Avoid	dable all species sawlogs:	\$0.00/m ³		
Avoid	dable all species grade 3:	\$0.00/m ³		
	dable all species grade 4:	\$0.25/m ³		
Unav	voidable all species al grades:	\$0.00/m ³		
If (D) is >	· 0.0000, request average sawlog rate	from HBS		
Avera	age coniferous sawlog rate (HBS) =	\$ /m³	(F)	
Decid	duous sawlog rate =	\$/m ³	(G)	
On FS 70	2, code			
Avoid	dable coniferous species sawlogs (E x	F)= \$/m ³		
Avoid	dable deciduous species sawlogs: (E x	(G) = \$/m ³		
	dable all species grade 3: \$0.00/m			
	dable all species grade 4: \$0.25/m³			
Unav	roidable all species all grades: \$0.00/m	n ³ .		
	orest Officer (signature)	Date		

Figure A5.2b Sample of Worksheet for Waste Billing Against Benchmarks (Interior Catastrophic where Avoidable Grade 3 is less than Waste Benchmark) for Blocks Surveyed before April 1, 2006.

BRITISH Workshe	et for Waste E	CATASTROPHIC Billing Against Be	enchmarks	Ministry of Forests	
Licence No.	To be Comple CP No.	eted by by Licensee	Cut Bloc	·k	
Timber Mark		Reporting Unit No.			
Primary Logging Completion Date		Cut Block Net Are			ha
Location		Stand/Site Type			
Calculations		,,,,			
Avoidable Waste:					
Establish ben (A Waste Monetary Reduction	chmark =) - (B) = n Factor MRF) = (A) To be Complet m HBS	c = (to four dec	ce/m ³	(В)	
On FS 702, code Avoidable coniferous species Avoidable deciduous species Avoidable all species grade of the conidable all species grade. Unavoidable all species all grade of the conidable all species all grade of the conidable of the conidable all species all grade.	s sawlogs: (G) 3: \$0.25/m³ x D 4: \$0.25/m³	= \$ <u> </u>	/m³ /m³ /m³		

Figure A5.2c Sample of Worksheet for Waste Billing Against Benchmarks (Interior Catastrophic where Avoidable Grade 3 is greater than or equal to Waste Benchmark) for Blocks Surveyed before April 1, 2006.

Вкітіѕн Социмві	INTERIOR RITISH Worksheet for Waste Billing Against Benchmarks DLUMBIA			Ministry of Forests			
	To be Completed by by Licensees						
Licence No.		CP No.			Cut Block		
	Timber Mark			nit No.			
	g Completion Date		Cut Block N			ha	
Location			Stand/Site T	уре			
Calculation	IS						
	Avoidable waste (grades 1 and				M³/ha (A)		
l	Established be	, _			M³/ha (B)		
		(A) - (B) =			M³/ha (C)		
l	If $(C) < or = 0.0$	000, stop			, ,		
If (C) > 0.0000, proceed	as follows:					
Waste	e Monetary Reduction	Factor (WMRF) =	(C)/(A		(D)		
		To be Complet	ed by Forest		,		
Processing							
If (C) is <	or = 0.0000, on FS 70	02, code:					
Avoidable all species sawlogs (grades 1 and			d 2):	\$0.00/m ³			
Avoidable all species grade 4:				\$0.25/m ³			
Una	voidable all species al	I grades:		\$0.00/m ³			
If (C) is >	0.0000, request avera	age sawlog rate fro	om HBS				
Ave	rage coniferous sawlo	g rate (HBS) =	;	\$ /m ³	(E)		
Dec	iduous sawlog rate =	, ,		\$/m ³	(F)		
On FS 70	02, code						
Avoi	dable coniferous spec	ies sawlogs (D x E		\$ /m ³			
Avoi	dable deciduous spec	ies sawlogs: (D x	F) =	\$ /m ³			
Avoid	dable all species grad	e 4: \$0.25/m ³					
Unav	oidable all species all	grades: \$0.00/m ³	3				
Approved by Fo	prest Officer (signature)		Date			

Figure A5.2d Sample of Worksheet for Waste Billing Against Benchmarks for Blocks Surveyed after April 1, 2006.

Appendix 6 Coast Grading

Due to the timber pricing changes made to Hembal U grade and all coniferous X grade, the followings grade rules apply to blocks surveyed after May 1, 2006.

A6.1.1 Bucking Waste and Long Butts

- Old Growth No change other than default to J grade.
- Second growth:
 - Bucking Waste with less than an 8 rad top default to U grade,
 - Bucking Waste with an 8 rad or larger top default to J grade.

A6.1.2 Stumps

- Old/Second Growth:
 - < or = to 12R default to U grade,
 - > or = to 13R default to J grade.
- Unavoidable grades are the same as avoidable grades.
- Severe Ring shake = X grade. (Severe ring shake is defined as covering at least 50% of the volume of the stump).
- Stumps cannot be graded as U, X or Y grade due to rot or missing wood.

A6.1.3 Logs

Use the following rules:

- Logs less than 5 meters in length and bucked on the butt end (other than an undercut butt) will be graded as if they were 5 metres long.
- Logs with an undercut butt and less than 5.0 metres to the point where 8 rads disappears cannot be better then U grade.
- Logs broken at both ends or broken at the butt end will be graded according to the scaling grade rules.
- Logs greater than 12.8 metres in length will be pencil bucked at 12.8 metres from the butt and each piece is classified and graded accordingly.

A6.1.4 Standing Trees

Use the following rules:

- Old Growth/Second Growth.
- Trees that are greater than 12.8 metres to the timber merchantability specifications top diameter will be pencil bucked in 12.8 metre segments with each segment classified and graded accordingly.

For example, a 15.0 metre tree would be entered as a 12.8 metre log and a 2.2 metre piece of bucking waste with each piece graded according to its dimensions.

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