Stewardship Baseline Objectives Tool (SBOT) Frequently Asked Questions

What is SBOT?

A visualization tool and assessment tool to clarify and communicate baseline information and stewardship objectives for priority resource values. SBOT applications are developed using ESRI's ArcGIS Online, a cloud-based mapping platform.

What is the browser requirement to access SBOT Webmaps?

Although Internet Explorer will function, for better reliability we recommend using either Firefox or Chrome.

What is the minimum RAM requirement to be able to run SBOT Webmaps properly?

The minimum RAM requirement is 4 GB, however, for SBOTs with high data requirements, it is recommended to have a minimum of 8 GB.

Which values are targeted to be developed in SBOT?

	Values currently in		Other Values identified for development
	development		
1	Northern Spotted Owl	1	Columbia Black-Tailed Deer
2	Oregon Spotted Frog	2	Mountain Goat
3	Grizzly Bear	3	Wolverine
4	Western Painted Turtle	4	Coastal Tailed Frog
5	Roosevelt Elk	5	Tall Bugbane
6	Northern Goshawk	6	Pacific Giant Salamander
7	Marbled Murrelet	7	Phantom Orchid
8	Sturgeon	8	Western Screech Owl
9	Steelhead	9	Pacific Water Shrew
10	Mature Forest*	10	Conservation Lands
11	Integrated Investment Planning*	11	Foreshore Habitats
12	Environmental Flow		
13	Watershed Condition		
	*multi-values		

What are the functionalities of the tool? What can it do?

- Spatial display of values' information (e.g. population data, habitat suitability)
- Spatial display of assessment results, status of Legal or Non-Legal objectives and indicators
- Trend information of specific indicators
- Allow comparison of assessment results at various levels of assessment
- Interactive mapping functionalities (e.g. search tool, graphic data display, information pop-up box)

What are some specific uses of the tool?

- Prioritizing inventory work
- Harvest management and population recovery planning of various values
- Conservation management tool
- Aid in managing various resource uses
- Provide baseline information for monitoring of values' objectives and targets

- Assessment tool in identifying suitable areas for mitigation purposes
- Stakeholders' consultation support-tool
- Land and Water Authorizations decision-support tool

Who are the primary target users?

- Internal government staff supporting operational, strategic, and tactical decision-making
- Internal government staff supporting stakeholder consultation processes
- Internal government staff supporting First Nations engagement processes
- Other external government and/or public users

Who is responsible for developing SBOT?

- There is an SBOT Project Team overseeing the tool development comprising of Resource Management (RM) staff from the South Coast Region (SCR).
- The SCR Geospatial Team is involved in the tool development, Regional Initiatives Office (RIO) Project Leads, and a number of RM value experts.
- The Project is championed by the Northern Spotted Owl Value Expert and RM Manager, Ian Blackburn.

Who to contact for any other SBOT questions, SBOT applications access, demo and training?

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