

## PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

### KOOTENAY-BOUNDARY HIGHER LEVEL PLAN VARIANCE 08

Order of the Regional Executive Director, Southern Interior Region, Integrated Land Management Bureau, Ministry Of Agriculture And Lands  
(Section 93.4 *Land Act*)

Whereas I have determined that the land use objectives established by this order do not conflict with other objectives established under the *Forest and Range Practices Act*

And Whereas I am satisfied that

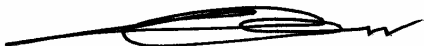
(a) the land use objectives in this variance order provide for the management and use of forest or range resources in a manner that has not otherwise been provided for under the Land Use Objectives Regulation or another enactment,

(b) the land use objectives in this variance order provide for an appropriate balance of social, economic and environmental benefits, and

(c) the importance of the land use objectives and amendments in this variance order outweighs any adverse impact on opportunities for timber harvesting or forage use within or adjacent to the area that will be affected,

Therefore, pursuant to section 93.4 of the *Land Act*, I, Steve Carr, the Regional Executive Director for the Southern Interior Region, Integrated Land Management Bureau, Ministry Of Agriculture And Lands, hereby order that:

1. The Kootenay-Boundary Higher Level Plan Order, made by the Ministers of Forests, Sustainable Resource Management, and Energy and Mines, on October 26, 2002, as varied from time to time, is further varied as set out in the attached Schedule, and
2. This order is effective on the date it is made, and despite subsection 16 (2) of the *Forest and Range Practices Act*, and section 10 1) (d) (ii) of the Forest Practices Code, all forest stewardship plans or amendments, and all forest development plan amendments, submitted on or after the effective date must be consistent with this order.



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STEVE CARR

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November 2, 2006

DATE

## **SCHEDULE**

Part 2 of the Kootenay-Boundary Higher Level Plan is varied as set out below.

### **Objective variance**

- 1 Objective 1, is varied by replacing map 1.1 for the Golden Resource Management Zone with the map attached as appendix 1.
- 2 Objective 2, is varied as follows:
  - (a) Table 2.5, is deleted and the Table in Appendix 2 is substituted, and
  - (b) in addition to the variance in paragraph (a), objective 2, as it applies to the Golden Resource Management Zone, is varied by adding the following objective: To enhance biodiversity values, the requirement for maintaining a minimum of 19% of the forested area in age class 9 or older is increased by 116 hectares (>19% plus 116 hectares) within the ICH biogeoclimatic unit within landscape unit G01 (Upper Wood River) and decreased by 116 hectares (>19 % minus 116 hectares) within the ESSF biogeoclimatic unit within landscape unit G02 (Molson).
- 3 Objective 3 for the Golden Resource Management Zone is varied by adding the following objective: To better manage for caribou, timber, biodiversity, and recreation values, within caribou management zone 7, the requirement for maintaining a minimum of 40 % age class 8 or older within landscape unit G01 (Upper Wood River) is increased by 256 ha (  $\geq 40\%$  minimum retention forest area, plus 256 hectares), and decreased by 256 hectares (  $\geq 40\%$  minimum retention forest area, minus 256 hectares) within landscape unit G03 (Lower Wood River).

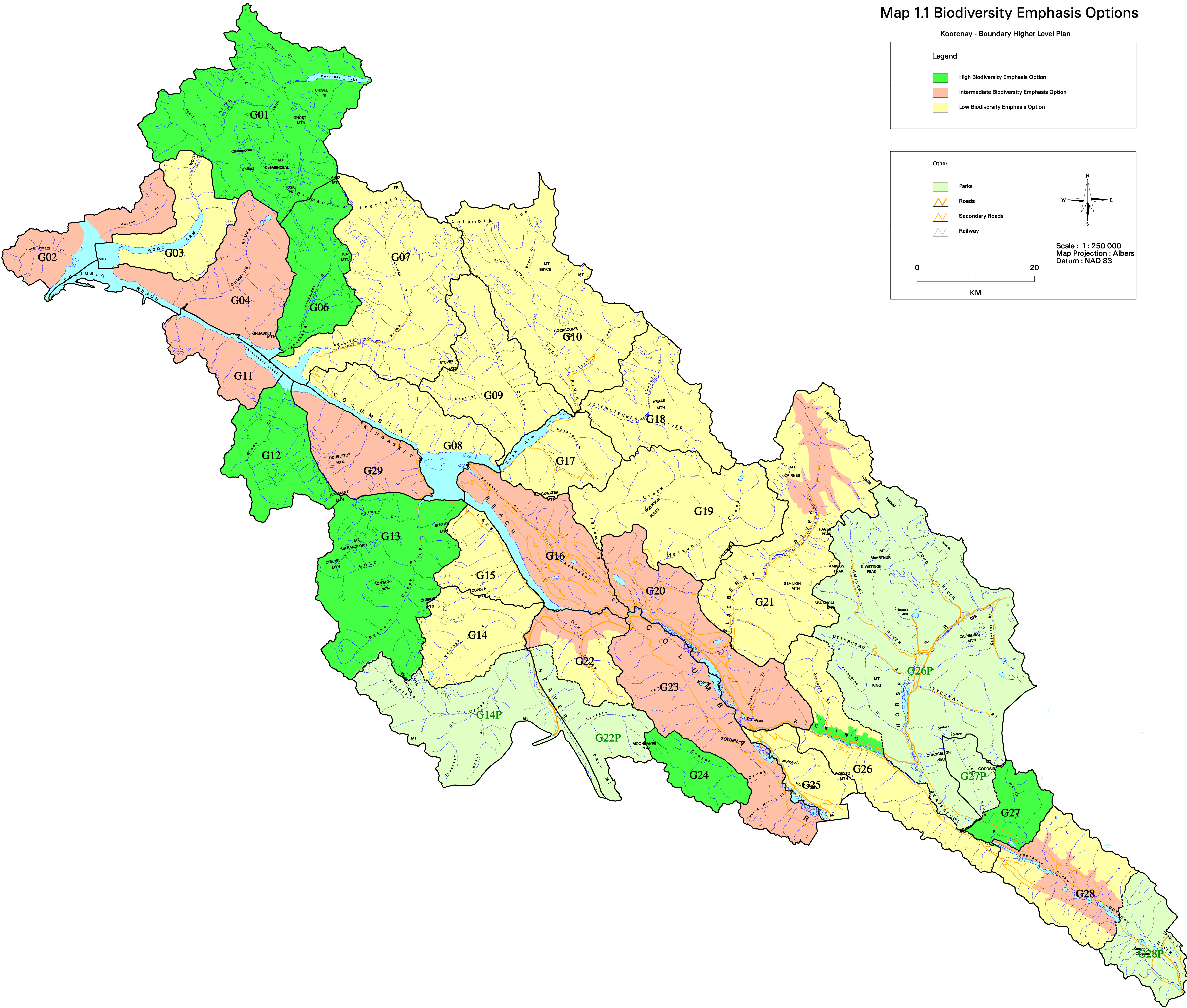
## **APPENDIX 1**

### **MAP 1.1**



# APPENDIX 1

Golden RMZ  
Map 1.1 Biodiversity Emphasis Options





## APPENDIX 2

**Table 2.5 Areas to be Managed for Mature Forest Targets**

RMZ	Landscape Unit	BEC subzone/variant	BEO
Arrow			
	N501 Sheep Creek	ICH dw	Intermediate
	N504 Pend' Oseille	ICH dw	Intermediate
	N505 Stag Leap	ICH dw	Intermediate
	N508 Blueberry	ICH dw	Intermediate
	N509 Dog	ICH dw	Intermediate
	N511 Cayuse	ICH dw	Intermediate
	N513 Pedro	ICH dw	Intermediate
	N514 Perry	ICH dw	Intermediate
	N518 Gladstone	ICH dw	Intermediate
	N515 Lemon	ESSF wc1	High
		ESSF wc4	High
		ICH dw	High
		ICH mw2	High
	N525 Wilson	ESSF wc1	High
		ESSF wc4	High
		ICH dw	High
		ICH mw2	High
		ICH wk1	High
	N528 Kusanax	ESSF wc1	High
		ESSF wc4	High
	N529 Halfway	ESSF wc1	High
		ESSF wc4	High
	N530 Trout	ESSF wc1	High
		ESSF wc4	High
		ICH mw2	High
		ICH vk1	High
		ICH wk1	High

RMZ	Landscape Unit	BEC subzone/variant	BEO
Boundary			
	B10 Burrell	ESSF wc4	High
	B11 Rendell	ESSF dc1	High
Cranbrook			
	C04 Hellroaring/Meachen	ESSF wm	High
		ESSF wmw	High
	C09 Yahk River	ESSF dk	Low
		ICH mk1	Low
	C14 Wigwam River	ESSF dk	High
		ESSF dkw	High
		MS dk	High
	C15 Lodgepole/Bighorn	ICH mk1	High
		MS dk	High
	C18 East Flathead	MS dk	Intermediate
	C22 Upper Elk	MS dk	Intermediate
		ESSF dk	Intermediate
		ESSF dkw	Intermediate
	C23 West Elk	ESSF dk	High
		ESSF dkw	High
Golden			
	G01 Upper Wood	ESSF vv	High
		ESSF wc2	High
		ICH wk1	High
	G06 Kinbasket River	ESSFmm1	High
		ESSF vv	High
		ESSF wc2	High
		ICH mw1	High
		ICH wk1	High
	G12 Windy Creek	ESSF vc	High
		ESSF vv	High
		ESSF wc2	High
		ICH wk1	High
	G13 Bachelor Creek	ESSF vv	High
		ESSF vc	High
		ESSF wc2	High
		IVH mw1	High
		ICH wk1	High

<b>RMZ</b>	<b>Landscape Unit</b>	<b>BEC subzone/variant</b>	<b>BEO</b>
Golden <sup>con't</sup>			
	G24 Canyon Creek	ESSF wm	High
		ICH mw1	High
	G26 Kicking Horse	MSdk	High
	G27 Ice River	ESSFdk	High
		MSdk	High
		ICHmk1	High
Invermere			
	I01 Findlay	ESSFdk1	High
		ESSF dku	High
	I02 Buhl/Bradford	ESSF dk1	High
		ESSF dku	High
		MS dk	High
	I11 Kootenay	ESSF dk1	High
		ESSF dku	High
		MS dk	High
	I16 Jumbo	ESSF dk1	High
		ESSF dk2	High
		ESSF dku	High
		ESSF wm	High
		ESSF wmu	High
		MS dk	High
	I17 Goldie	ESSF dk1	High
		ESSF dku	High
		MS dk	High
	I19 Fenwick	MS dk	Intermediate
	I20 Pallisar	MS dk	Intermediate
	I22 Albert	ESSFdk1	High
		ESSF dk2	High
		ESSF dku	High
		MS dk	High
	I24 Pedley	MS dk	High

<b>RMZ</b>	<b>Landscape Unit</b>	<b>BEC subzone/variant</b>	<b>BEO</b>
Kootenay Lake			
	K05 Kid Creek	ICH dw	Intermediate
	K06 Goat River	ICH dw	Intermediate
	K08 Gray Creek	ICH dw	Intermediate
	K10 West Arm	ICH dw	Intermediate
	K12 Kaslo River	ICH dw	Intermediate
	K25 Duck Lake	ICH dw	Intermediate
	K17 Goat Range	ESSF wc4	High
		ICH mw2	High
		ICHwk1	High
	K18 Lardeau River	ESSF wc4	High
		ICH mw2	High
		ICH wk1	High
	K23 Westfall Creek	ICH wk1	High