



File: 10550-20  
Land File: 5402797

October 23, 2013

Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure  
C/O Michael Aldred  
447 Columbia Street  
Kamloops, British Columbia  
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**Re: Section 52 Authorization to The Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI) Under the *Forest Act* for the Clearing of Timber to Access Subsurface Resources Associated with Land Tenure 5402797 (Klondike Quarry 1917) Located in the Bella Coola Valley.**

Dear Mike Aldred:

Under the authority of section 52(1) of the *Forest Act*, I hereby authorize the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure (MoTI) as an Agent of the Crown to undertake clearing of timber required to access subsurface resources associated with Land Tenure 5402797 southwest of Hagensborg (See attached map). This authorization will remain in effect, while the land tenure is in effect, unless otherwise rescinded by the Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations. All interests, rights and privileges granted in this authorization are subject to the *Forest Act*, the *Forest and Range Practices Act*, the *Wildfire Act*, and the regulations made under those Acts. In addition, the following requirements apply:

- Merchantable timber: All felled conifers or deciduous that meets the specifications identified in appendix A1 must be decked outside the gated area leading into the quarry. Please contact David Flegel (250 982-2030 or [David.Flegel@gov.bc.ca](mailto:David.Flegel@gov.bc.ca)), Operations Manager for further direction on whether the timber can be spray painted "Firewood Use" or "Reserved for Public Auction".
- Fire hazard abatement: Felled non-merchantable trees, logging slash and debris must be disposed in a manner that meets the fire hazard abatement requirements in the *Wildfire Act*.
- Invasive plants: Please ensure measures are taken to avoid moving equipment from elsewhere in the province that might inadvertently introduce invasive plants to the

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area. This includes inspecting and where necessary washing equipment prior to its arrival and departure from the site. For more information see appendix A2.

- Pheromone traps: The Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations commonly hang pheromone traps to monitor for the presence of Gypsy Moth. Should your program come across these structures, the traps must be repositioned as soon as possible, and located along the new forest edge as close to the original position. More information is provided in appendix A3.
- Safety: The MoTI takes on all responsibility for worker and public safety related to tree removal including but not limited to road signs, traffic control and public access to work areas.

Prior to commencing operations, you are required to notify the District Manager to ensure the timber in question is disposed of in a timely manner. Should you have any further questions regarding this authorization, please contact Sheldon Martell, Small Tenures Authorization Forester at (250) 956-5032.

Yours truly,

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Andrew Ashford, RPF  
District Manager

Enclosure: Map

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## Appendix A:

### 1. Merchantability Standards on the Coast

Minimum Utilization Standards	Second Growth Timber		Old Growth Timber	
	Conifers (140 years or less)	Deciduous (40 years or less)	Conifers (141 years or more)	Deciduous (41 years or more)
Minimum Log Length	300 cm	300 cm	300 cm	300 cm
Minimum Bottom Diameter	12.0 cm	12.0 cm	17.5 cm	17.5 cm
Minimum Top Diameter	10.0 cm	10.0 cm	15.0 cm	15.0 cm

### 2. Invasive Plants Website

<http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hra/plants>

### 3. Gypsy Moth Information and Pheromone Trap Image

<http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hfp/gypsymoth/monitor.htm>





Overview Map of Long Term Klondike Quarry 1917, Including Detailed Quarry Area Where Cutting Authority is Authorized Within

