Order to Amend

Visual Quality Objectives for the South Island Natural Resource District

Pursuant to Section 7(2) of the Government Actions Regulation (GAR), I Calvin Ross, A/District Manager for the South Island Natural Resource District, establish and amend established Visual Quality Objectives (VQOs), Travel Corridors and associated Scenic Areas for the South Island Natural Resource District as shown on the attached map titled South Island Forest District, Visual Quality Objectives Established Under Section 7(2) GAR order Amendment Map, dated December 14, 2011.

This order is effective on December 30, 2011.

The Visual Quality Objectives (VQOs), Travel Corridors and Scenic Areas amendment applies to the areas of the South Island Natural Resource District listed in Sections 1 to 9 and as follows:

Section 1.
Designates the Cowichan Lake as Visual Travel Corridor and establish it as a Scenic Area (No. 31) for the South Island Natural Resource District.

Section 2.
Repeals the Walbran Low Intensity Area as a Travel Corridor (No. 28) and repeals the associated Scenic Area designation.

Section 3.
Amends the Caycuse / McLure mainline Travel Corridor No. 27 and the associated Scenic Area.

Section 4.
Establishes Visual Quality Objectives (VQOs) for the Woodlot WL1614 area (Blocks 170 & 171) and the crown land section of the land located on the west and northwest part of the Bald Mountain peninsula in the Cowichan Lake area.
Section 5.
Amends the established Visual Quality Objectives (VQOs) for the Woodlot WL1475 located in the NanOOSE area.

Section 6.
Incorporates the Visual Quality Objectives (VQOs) established for the Special Management Zone 18 (SMZ18) in April 2, 1998 into the South Island Forest District, Visual Quality Objectives Established Under Section 7(2) GAR order Amendment Map, dated August 12, 2011.

Section 7.
Amends the established Visual Quality Objectives (VQOs) for the area of the Alberni Inlet, North of the Uchucklesit Inlet into Partial Retention in order to promote a uniform visual quality management along the two sides of the Alberni Inlet.

Section 8.
Repeals the Sec 9.2 FPPR, obsolete and redundant Recommended Visual Quality Classes (RVQC) data in the Clayoquot Sound Planning Area

Section 9.
Removes from the South Island Forest District, Visual Quality Objectives Established Under Section 7(2) GAR order Map, dated December 15, 2005 any VQO annotations noted on the non-Crown Land and from the Maa-nulth Treaty Selection Lands sections of the district, and updates the South Island Natural Resource District, Visual Quality Objectives Established Under Section 7(2) GAR order Amendment Map dated December 14, 2011 to reflect the above removals.

The Visual Quality Objectives and these Amended Objectives apply to the crown land portions of the South Island Natural Resource District, and to the private land within Woodlot Licenses and Tree Farm Licensees.

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Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations

December 30, 2011

Attachment:

South Island Natural Resource District, Visual Quality Objectives Established under Section 7(2) GAR order Amendment Map, dated December 14, 2011