

## Purpose and Scope

This EFP applies to all BCTS Licensees, Permittees and Contractors, including their employees, agents, and subcontractors, involved in field activities within the scope of the BCTS EMS. It describes procedures to reduce the risk of negative impacts on the environment. This EFP does not replace the requirements of legislation, licences, permits and contracts.

## General Procedures

- Complete a **pre-work** with your supervisor.
  - Obtain and review all Project Plan documents (e.g. harvest plan, harvest plan map, site plan supporting information, road layout and design and silvicultural treatment plans). Have them readily available.
  - Ensure you understand **your role** in the Project Plan prior to commencing work, and
  - Know the **flagging or field marking** standards.
- **Look ahead** and make sure that the Project Plan is appropriate.
  - **View the area** to familiarize yourself with the Project Plan, including map content.
- Ensure that all **resource features, resource values or sensitive areas** identified on the Project Plan map can be located by you on the ground. Know the associated management strategies.
- **Monitor and inspect your work** and ensure that the work conforms to the project requirements.
  - Conduct operations to minimize potential impacts on hazardous or sensitive areas, resource features, resource values, water quality, and site productivity, and
  - Operate during favourable weather conditions.
- Have the Project Plan map available to you and **know your location** at all times. **Keep the site clean and be prepared for emergencies.**
  - Inspect equipment regularly and repair/maintain equipment as required.
  - Maintain fire suppression equipment and spill kits, replace used supplies promptly.
  - Ensure the safe transportation, storage and handling of industrial waste, (petroleum and chemical products, grease tubes, filters, batteries, coolant, wire rope, used spill pads etc.). Dispose of industrial waste only at appropriate disposal facilities, and
  - Understand the environmental Emergency Response Plan (eERP) and your responsibilities in it.
- **Know the project shutdown criteria.**



### **STOP WORK** and contact your project supervisor and the BCTS representative if:

- You are uncertain of the Project Plan, your responsibilities, or the location of hazardous/sensitive areas.
- A previously unidentified resource feature, resource value (e.g. cultural) or sensitive area is found.
- You experience unfavourable weather or site conditions that could cause environmental damage.
- You observe conditions that have the potential for immediate environmental damage.
- You believe the Project Plan will not work.