

# **What's New in Silviculture Surveys – 2011?**

**Silviculture Survey Manual Changes 2011 – Highlights (excluding minor typo and clarification edits):**

## **Legislation Hyperlink Change**

- All legislation hyperlinks have been changed, due to the transfer of this link over to the BCLaws.ca.

## **Chapter Content Updates**

### **3.5.1 Methods to Determining Site Index**

- A Site Tools link and steps to follow have been added to the section.

#### **3.5.1.1 Leading Species Issues when determining Site Index**

- This section has been added, with two subsections for SIBEC and Growth Intercept methods. Recommended best management practices have been added for both methodologies.

### **8.1 Data Field Descriptions**

#### **#155 Calculations**

- Additional wording and explanation of how the Preferred stems/ha is determined has been added.

#### **9.2.2 Layered Survey**

- The best management practice of reporting the Silviculture Label by layer has been added.

#### **9.2.4 Single Entry Dispersed Retention Stocking Standard (SEDRSS) Survey – Coastal**

- The **final** SEDRSS system implementation guide developed and finalized by the Coast Region Implementation Team (CRIT) in December 2010 has been included.

#### **9.3.4.1 Reserve Data to Collect**

- A notice to surveyors has been included regarding the Inventory Label / Crown Closure relationship and the protocol used when selecting layers for inventory updates.

#### **9.4.2 Stand Development Monitoring (SDM) Mid-rotation Survey**

- The **final** SDM 2011 protocol survey methodology has been included.

## **Appendices Added**

### **Appendix 11 – Additional Damage Agent Codes**

- Three new codes have been added for: pika; birch-aspen leaf roller and; avalanche or snow slide.