

Old Growth Summary – as of February 2025

	Old Growth*	Nov. 2021 <u>BASELINE</u> (ha)	February 2025 (ha)
	Old Growth Technical Advisory Panel's Priority At-risk Old Growth areas (TAP)		
(1)	Total Old Growth*	11,511,564	11,511,564
	Total TAP	3,982,087	3,982,087
(2)	Total Protected** Old Growth*	3,659,641	4,041,881
	Protected TAP**	1,403,967	1,508,725
(3)	Total unprotected Old Growth* ((1)- (2))	7,851,923	7,469,683
	TAP unprotected	2,578,120	2,473,362
(4)	Total unprotected Old Growth* deferred	154,000	2,030,552
	TAP deferred	54,452	1,110,370
4b	Total unprotected Old Growth* deferred or <u>newly</u> protected since Nov 2021. ((4)+((2)- (BASELINE 2)))	154,000	2,412,792
	TAP deferred or <u>newly</u> protected since Nov 2021	54,452	1,215,128
(5)	Total unprotected Old Growth* not deferred ((3)-(4))	7,851,923	5,439,131
	TAP unprotected and not deferred	2,578,120	1,362,992
(6)	Total undeferred or unprotected Old Growth* in areas considered unavailable or uneconomical to harvest	4,403,772	3,126,379
	Undeferred or unprotected TAP in areas considered unavailable or uneconomical to harvest	1,126,245	591,198
(7)	All Old Growth* at low risk of harvest*** (6)+(4)+(2)	8,208,272 (71% of total old growth)	9,198,812 (80% of total old growth)
	Total TAP at low risk of harvest***	2,584,664 (65% of TAP)	3,210,293 (81% of TAP)

(8)	Total Old Growth* available and economical for harvest	3,303,292 (29% of total old growth)	2,312,752 (20% of total Old Growth)
	Total TAP available and economical for harvest	1,397,423 (35% of TAP)	771,794 (19% of TAP)

* For deferral tracking purposes, the **Old Growth area** includes the older-mature forest that the TAP identified as priority at-risk old forest (~400,000 ha). Also, for deferral tracking purposes the hectares of old growth (+ TAP older mature) has remained fixed to the area of priority at-risk forest identified by the TAP in Nov, 2021. It has not been updated to reflect: 1) any known losses (fire or harvesting), 2) any known gains (older-mature forests becoming old growth through aging), or 3) completed annual vegetation inventory projects.

** **“Protected”** is comprised of land designations that prohibit or generally prohibit forest harvesting. These land designations are: National Park, Ecological Reserve, Provincial Park, Conservancy, Protected Area, Heritage Site, Recreation Area, Regional Park, Ungulate Winter Range: No harvest, Wildlife Habitat Area: No harvest, Biodiversity Mining and Tourism Area, Sea to Sky Wildland Zone, Special Wildland RMZ in Muskwa Kechika MA, Nlhaxten/Cayoosh Wildland Area, South Chilcotin Mountains Mining and Tourism Areas, NGO Fee Simple Conservation Lands, Great Bear Rainforest (GBR) Special Forest Management Areas, Great Bear Rainforest (GBR) Landscape Reserve Design (LRD) areas, Old Growth Management Area (OGMA): Legal, Old Growth Management Area (OGMA): Non-Legal, Class1 Coast Grizzly Bear Habitat (Coast LUP). The TAP approved the inclusion of these land designations as “Protected” with the exception of the GBR LRDs which have been established since the TAP completed their work.

*** **Low Risk of Harvest** includes protected areas, deferred areas, or in forest considered unavailable or uneconomical to harvest.