

Ministry of Forests

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To: Jim Gowriluk Regional Manager Coast Forest Region

From: The Honourable Rich Coleman, Minister of Forests and Range

### Re: Amendment No. 3 to the Coast Appraisal Manual

I hereby approve Amendment No. 3 to the *Coast Appraisal Manual* and attach a copy for your use. The following section has been amended:

Section 7.2 Updated stumpage rates for Community Forest Agreements.

This amendment will come into force on March 1, 2008. Further amendments or revisions to this manual require my approval.

Rich Coleman Minister

Attachment

pc: Murray Stech, Director, Revenue Branch





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### MANUAL REVISION TRANSMITTAL

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#### Please make the following changes to your copy of the above Ministry manual.

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## 7.2 Community Forest Agreements

1. a. The sawlog stumpage rate  $(/m^3)$  for each species of coniferous timber and zone harvested under a community forest agreement entered into under the *Forest Act* or an associated road permit will be:

	Zone		
Species	Northern Coast	Southern Coast	
Balsam	3.60	4.19	
Hemlock	2.75	3.73	
Cedar	3.76	7.55	
Cypress	3.17	5.74	
Fir	3.04	4.30	
Spruce	2.82	2.79	
All Pine	2.62	3.65	

- b. The Northern Coast Zone is the Queen Charlotte Islands Forest District, North Coast Forest District and that part of the North Island-Central Coast Forest District within TFL 25 and the Mid-Coast Timber Supply Area.
- c. The Southern Coast Zone is the Coast Forest Region except the Northern Coast Zone as defined in 1(b).
- d. The stumpage rate determined under paragraph (a) of this subsection shall be redetermined on March 1<sup>st</sup> of each year in accordance with this subsection.
- 2. Section 7.3, 7.4, 7.4.1, 7.5 and 7.6 do not apply to community forest agreements and associated road permits.

# 7.3 Road Permits

- 1. Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, the stumpage rate for a road permit will be determined using Ministry stumpage billing records.
- 2. The stumpage rate for a road permit issued in conjunction with a timber sale licence entered into under sections 20, 21 and 23 of the *Act* or a licence to cut entered into under Section 47.6 of the *Act* will be the stumpage rate applicable to the cutting authority that authorizes harvesting in the cutting authority area to which the road permit provides access.
- 3. For the purposes of this section, a stumpage billing history record of timber harvested under a timber licence, where the timber licence area is within a tree farm licence area will be included with and be considered the stumpage billing history record of timber harvested under the tree farm licence.
- 4. a. Where the Ministry has a stumpage billing history record of timber harvested under a licence, the stumpage rate for a road permit is the weighted average sawlog stumpage rate of cutting authorities, other than a road permit, for cutting authority areas that are located in the same forest district as the area to which the road permit applies, and that are issued under the licence that entitles the licensee to apply for the road permit.
  - b. The weighted average stumpage rate is the sum of the stumpage billed for all coniferous sawlogs during the billing period referred to in paragraph (c) of this subsection, divided by the sum of the volume of those species and grades.
  - c. The billing period referred to in paragraph (b) of this subsection for a road permit appraisal or reappraisal, with an effective date between November 1, 2004 and January 31, 2005 is the twelve month billing period ending August 31, 2004. Thereafter, the billing period will be updated annually effective February 1st and will be the twelve month period ending November 30th.
- 5. Where there are no stumpage billing history records from which the stumpage rate may be determined under subsection (4), and the licence that the cutting authority is issued under does not provide for an allowable annual cut or has an allowable annual cut of Crown timber equal to or greater than 5 000 m<sup>3</sup>, the stumpage rate for a road permit is the weighted average sawlog stumpage rate of:
  - a. all cutting authorities, other than road permits, that are issued under the licence that entitles the licensee to apply for the road permit, or
  - b. where there is no volume in the stumpage billing history record, all the cutting authorities that do not provide for an allowable annual cut or have an allowable