

STRATEGY AT A GLANCE

<i>Purpose</i>	This strategy provides guidance to the application of available funds for incremental silviculture activities. It is not tied to a specified funding level.
<i>Government's Goals</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sustainable Use• Community Stability• A Strong Forest Sector
<i>Key Principles</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Because the distant future cannot be foretold, the best and only course of action in managing the timber resource is that which minimizes risk and maintains options.2. British Columbia's forests are important locally, provincially, nationally and globally and should be managed in this context.3. Each generation of British Columbians becomes the steward of the province's forest resources and has a moral obligation to preserve this heritage for future generations.
<i>Working Targets</i>	Within the context of the guiding principles: WT 1: Minimize the anticipated interim reduction in timber supply so that provincial annual harvests of at least 65 million m ³ can be achieved during this period. WT 2: Create a long term timber supply capable of supporting a steady long term provincial harvest level of at least 75 million m ³ . WT 3: Over the long term, maintain the production of premium quality logs at or above 10% of total harvest.
<i>Major Silvicultural Strategies</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Increase the use of alternative silvicultural systems and commercial thinning.• Achieve earlier green-up of harvested areas.• Increase regenerated stand volumes 20%.• Eliminate all pre-1982 good and medium site backlog NSR and all 1982 to 1987 backlog NSR.• Initiate a long rotation quality management program for stands where harvesting must be delayed. <p>Other silvicultural and non-silvicultural strategies must also be implemented to achieve the working targets.</p>
<i>Strategy Implementation</i>	Regional and management unit strategies must be developed, followed by programs and plans to implement them.