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   District Managers

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Re: One Cutting Permit over a Woodlot Licence

On January 22, 2010, the Operations Leadership Team of the former Ministry of Forests and Range endorsed moving forward with a one Cutting Permit (CP) over a Woodlot Licence (WL) concept. The concept was perfected in a test environment and then implemented on the ground over this past year in three pilot forest districts (Campbell River, Quesnel, and Peace). The feedback from the pilots has been positive from both the woodlot licensees participating and ministry staff. As a result of these efforts, the implementation of one cutting permit over the woodlot is now available to be utilised across the province.

To be clear, the one CP concept over the WL is ONLY available for woodlot licences that meet the following three criteria:

- There is an approved Woodlot Licence Plan in place,
- The Cutting Permit being applied for is on tabular rates, and
- The District Manager is satisfied that adequate First Nations consultation for the area has occurred

The attached documents (business map, process document, route card, notice to commence template and concept overview) should provide you with the tools to implement the concept.

This is the result of collaborative work between the Federation of BC Woodlot Associations and MFML and MNRO staff. We would like to thank all those who participated in making this happen.

If you require further information or clarification, please call Ron Greschner, Senior Timber Tenures Forester, Forest Tenures Branch at (250) 828-4435
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