

SPU # 14 **Interior Spruce** **Prince George** **600 - 1400m**
Breeding and orchard production
 Adjusted for new Parent Tree Area of use. Previously 600-1200m **Seedling need (million): 39.2**
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STRATEGY Parent tree selection in wild stands; open-pollinated progeny tests on multiple sites. Several test series combined for selection of best parents for seed orchards and for advanced-generation breeding population. Focus on stem volume, wood density, and weevil resistance. Open-pollinated seed orchards, with specific parental collections.

TRAITS **Primary: Stem volume** **Secondary: Wood density, weevil**

TESTING AND PRODUCTION **Production Year (July 1 to June 30) -- (Cone harvest year shown)**

Parents in progeny test:	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	'26	'27	'28	'29	'30	'31	'32	'33	'34	'35	'36
Open pollin.	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136	1136
Polycross																				
Clonal																				
F1	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231	231
F2	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200	200
F3																				

Production forecast (million plantables)

Orchards (#, owner)	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	'26	'27	'28	'29	'30	'31	'32	'33	'34	'35	'36
211 VSOC (Vernon)	19.1	20.9	22.6	24.4	25.8	26.6	27.2	27.7	28.3	29.0	29.9	31.2	32.4	33.7	34.6	35.0	35.2	35.2	35.2	35.2
247 VSOC (Vernon)	2.3	3.7	5.3	7.5	10.4	13.7	17.2	20.4	23.0	25.3	27.5	29.5	31.3	32.5	33.2	33.4	33.4	33.4	33.4	33.4

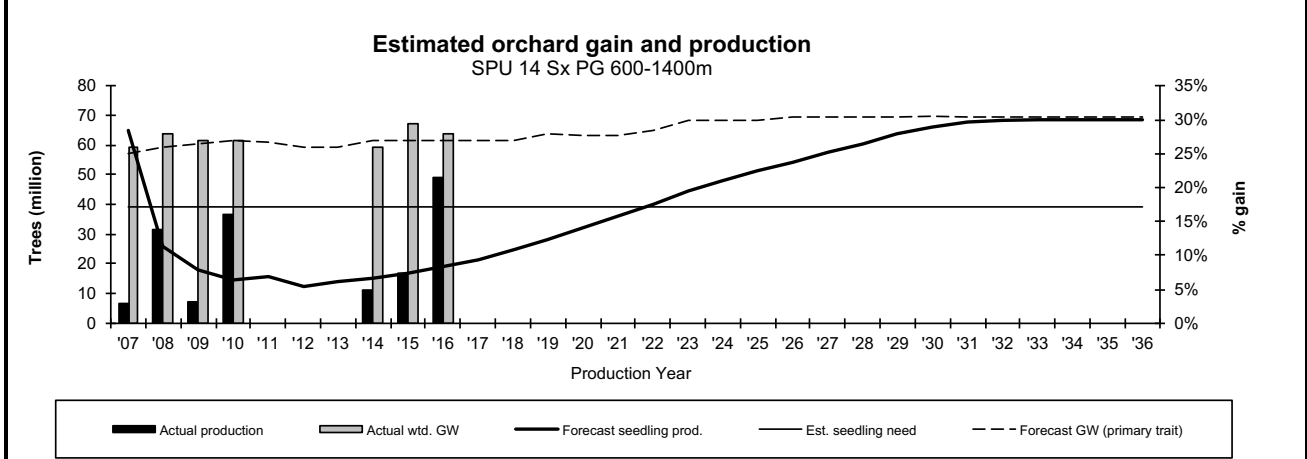
Vegetative prod.:
 Phase 1
 Phase 2

Estimated gain in primary trait

Orchards (#, owner)	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	'22	'23	'24	'25	'26	'27	'28	'29	'30	'31	'32	'33	'34	'35	'36
211 VSOC (Vernon)	27%	27%	28%	28%	28%	29%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%
247 VSOC (Vernon)	27%	27%	27%	27%	27%	27%	30%	30%	30%	31%	31%	31%	31%	31%	31%	31%	31%	31%	31%	31%

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Total Production	21.4	24.6	28.0	32.0	36.2	40.3	44.5	48.1	51.3	54.3	57.4	60.6	63.7	66.2	67.7	68.4	68.5	68.5	68.5	68.5
Total gain	27%	27%	28%	28%	28%	28%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%	30%



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Interior Spruce Prince George 600 - 1400m Conservation -- Seed Orchards -- Seedling Use

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GENE CONSERVATION STATUS

Conservation statistics

Seed planning unit (SPU) area	6,972,597	ha
Area protected within SPU	224,719	ha
Percentage of SPU area protected	3%	
Estimated genetic reserves with >5000 mature trees based on botanical sample data	>9	
Confirmed genetic reserves with >5000 mature trees based on forest inventory data	45	

Conservation status

Current in-situ protection status: **Very well protected**
Probability of maintaining > 3 protected areas with adequate population size given natural disturbance regimes: **Very high**

For further information visit <http://www.genetics.forestry.ubc.ca/cfgc/>

ORCHARD STATUS

Orchard location	Orchard number	Number of parents	Mean BV	# of ramets currently established	# of ramets planned for final orchard size	Target Seed production kg/y at maturity	Total Seedling Prod. million seedlings	
VSOC (Vernon)	211	56	27%	2,230	2,930	198.3	35.16	primarily weevil resistance
VSOC (Vernon)	247	54	31%	1,780	2,780	188.2	33.36	
Total ramets				4,010	5,710	Total production	68.52	
Vegetative propagation						Stecklings/Emblings	0.0	
						Total production	68.5	

Seed and Nursery Factors

Expected annual average seedling production per ramet =	12,000
Seed weight (seeds/gram) =	390
Seedling recovery factor (seedlings/seed) =	0.45
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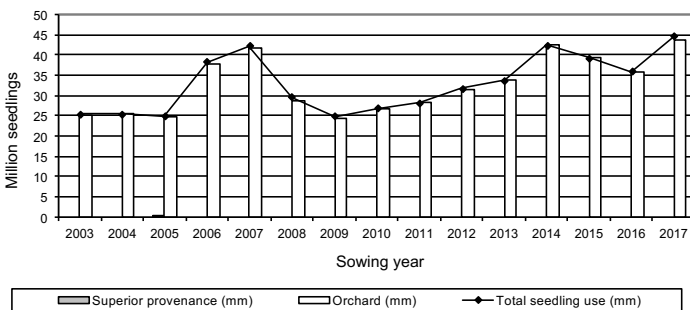
Estimate of Required Orchard Capacity

Annual planting (million seedlings)	39.2
Planned over-production factor	1.2
Ramets required	3,266
Ramets required with over-capacity	3,920
Projected necessary expansion	0

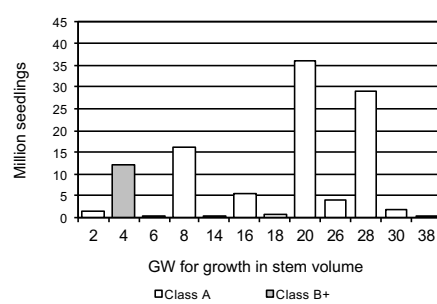
SEEDLING USE AND SEED IN STORAGE

Average 5-year seedling use from SPAR (2013 - 2017) **39.2** million
Estimated years of class-A seed in storage **2.4** years

Seedling Use Trend - 2003 to 2017



Seed in Storage by GW class



Notes:

- "Reserve" and "Available" seed in the Seed Planning and Registry System (SPAR) are included.
- Class A = seed orchard; Class B+ = superior provenance; Class B = wild stand seed.
- Genetic Wroth (GW) for growth means the projected additional wood volume available at rotation compared to using Class B seed.

Seedling use data include 1/2 of adjacent overlap zones, where applicable
Sowing year: Aug 1 to July 31 (i.e. 2017 sowing year starts Aug 1, 2017)

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