Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development

Ministerial Order

Land Use Objectives for the Cariboo-Chilcotin Land Use Plan (CCLUP) Area
(the “Land Use Order”)

Amendment #4

Order For Minor Amendment to Definitions and Objectives for Fuel Management

The Land Use Order is amended as follows:

By deleting the definition of “interface fire management plans” under the heading “Definitions”.

1. By adding the following under the heading “Definitions”:

   under Table 1:

   “Interface Fuel Break” means fuel breaks where treatments are authorized by the District Manager to address protection of property and public safety by reducing the risk of ignition and spread of wildfire in key areas adjacent to the community.

   under the definition of “permanent OGMA-rotating”:

   “Primary Fuel Break” means a strategic landscape level fuel break outside interface fuel breaks, where treatments are authorized by the District Manager for the purpose of influencing wildfire behavior and facilitating fire-fighting activities.

   “Primary Old Seral Forest Characteristics” means, within an interface or primary fuel break, large (>37.5 cm dbh) and very large (>57.5 cm dbh) trees, large coarse woody debris, and dead and declining trees where they do not represent a significant safety hazard.”

2. By deleting the following wording from Objectives 9(e), 10(c), 15(c), and 18(c):

   “Reduction of fine surface debris, ladder fuels and small diameter trees in intermediate and overtopped crown classes within interface fire management plan areas, where that does not diminish old growth characteristics.”
3. By replacing the wording deleted by 2 above with the following:

“Within primary and interface fuel breaks, in an approved community or regional wildfire plan, where impacts to primary old seral forest characteristics are minimized:

(i) reduction of fine surface debris, ladder fuels and small diameter trees in intermediate and overtopped crown classes and,

(ii) separation of tree crowns among individual trees or clumps within the dominant and co-dominant layers sufficient to mitigate the spread of a passive crown fire, to a maximum spacing of 6 metres between crowns.”

4. By adding the following clause to Objective 20(b):

“viii. within primary and interface fuel breaks, in an approved community or regional wildfire plan, where impacts to primary old seral forest characteristics are minimized:

(1) reduction of fine surface debris, ladder fuels and small diameter trees in intermediate and overtopped crown classes and,

(2) separation of tree crowns among individual trees or clumps within the dominant and co-dominant layers sufficient to mitigate the spread of a passive crown fire, to a maximum spacing of 6 metres between crowns.”

5. This order takes effect immediately.


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