Preparing a Woodlot Licence Plan

A Joint Presentation of:



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Agenda

8:30	Introductions, Course Overview and Goals	
8:45	 Woodlot Licence Plan – Term, Signature and Plan Area 	
9:00	Map and Information Required – Management Objectives	
10:00	Break	
10:15	Map Exercise: Identify Areas Where you will Avoid or Modify HarvestDescribing Timber Harvesting Modifications	
12:00	Break	
1:00	Protecting and Conserving Cultural Heritage ResourcesWriting a Wildlife Tree Retention Strategy	
2:00	 Measures for Invasive Plants & Natural Range Barriers Preparing Stocking Requirements for Specified Areas Performance Requirements and Alternatives 	
3:00	Break	
3:15	Exercise: Writing Alternative Performance RequirementsDisclaimer and RPF Signature	
4:00	Supplemental Information	
4:15	Normal and Emergency Approval Woodlot Licence Plan Amendments	

Workshop Objectives

During this workshop you will:

- complete most of your WLP
- understand the links between WLP content and practice requirements
- learn which parts of the WLP must be signed by an RPF

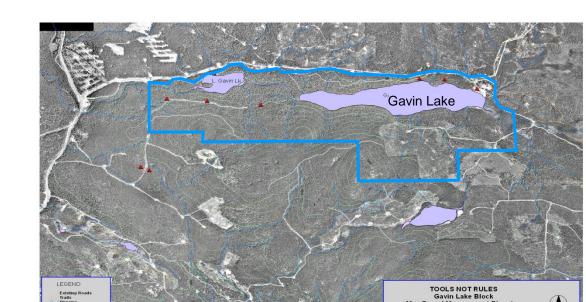


The Basic Components of a Woodlot Licence Plan

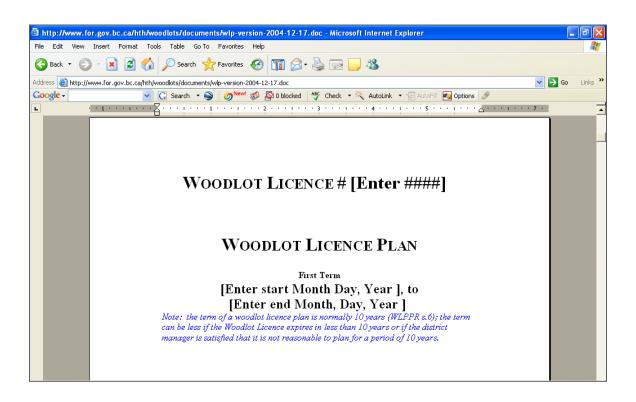
- Map and information
- Areas where harvesting will be avoided or modified
- Strategy for FN cultural heritage resources
- Wildlife tree retention strategy

- Stocking standards
- 2 written measures
- Alternative Performance Requirements (optional)
- Signatures
- Supplemental Information

Use a portion of UBC/Alex Fraser Research Forest (Gavin Lake Block) with Lakes, streams, roads, topography as an example. Area shown about 600 ha.



Woodlot Licence Plan Template



A large part of the workshop will be spent filling out a version of the WLP template that provides example wording to help you create your own WLP.

Woodlot Licence Plan Term

WOODLOT LICENCE # [Enter Details]_____

WOODLOT LICENCE PLAN

Proposed First Term

[Enter start year to end year]

[Enter Licensee Address]

[Enter City, Province Postal Code]

E-mail: [Enter E-mail Address]

Phone: [Enter Phone No.] Fax: [Enter Fax No.]

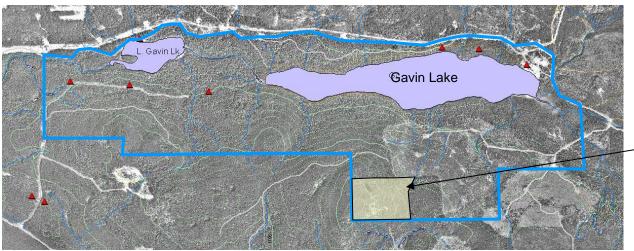
Signature of the WL Holder

- If a WL is held by a corporation or FN band, the WLP must be signed by a person authorized on behalf of the corporation or FN band
- If a WL is held by an individual, the WLP must be signed by the WL holder or a person authorized by the WL holder
- A WL holder can provide a letter to the District Manager indicating another person is authorized to sign on behalf of the WL holder

The Woodlot Licence Plan Area

The Woodlot Licence Plan

- Should normally cover the entire woodlot licence area
- Can cover a smaller area if the District Manager is satisfied no timber harvesting or road construction will take place on the area not being addressed
- Under normal circumstances CPs and RPs can only be issued over areas covered by the WLP



Clearly identify if a portion of the woodlot licence area is not covered by the plan!

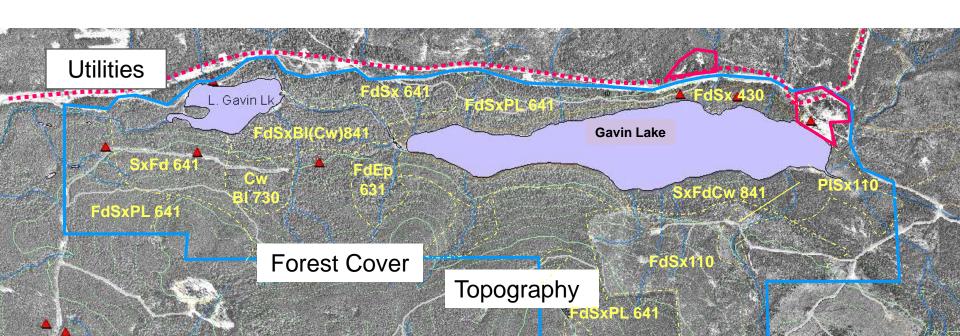
Woodlot Licence Plan Area

1. Plan Area	
 This plan covers the entire Woodlot Licence area. This plan covers a portion of the Woodlot Licence area. 	
[Enter Details] Example Text: 1. This plan covers only the Crown land portion of the woodlot l 2. This plan only covers the portion of the woodlot licence ident Plan" on the map in Appendix III.	

Information from Existing Maps

- Forest Cover
- Topography (Contours)
- Streams, Wetlands & Lakes
- Fish Streams

- Biogeoclimatic
 Ecosystem Classification
 to the Subzone
- Public Utilities on Crown Land



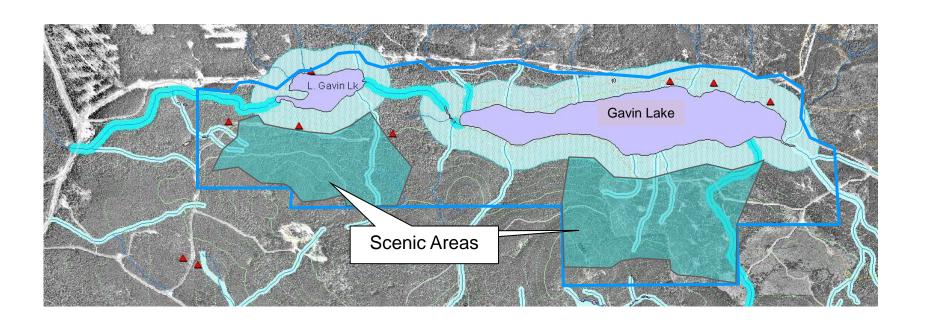
Wildlife Habitat Areas

- Wildlife habitat areas must be identified on the WLP map or text unless the DM grants an exemption because the location of the wildlife habitat area must not be disclosed
- "Primary forest activities" (harvesting, silviculture treatments, road construction, maintenance and deactivation) must comply with any general wildlife measure established for a wildlife habitat area



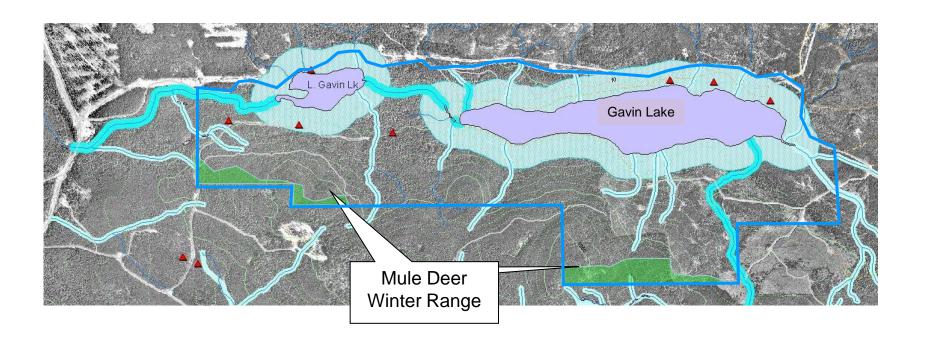
Scenic Areas

- Scenic areas need to be identified or described on the WLP map or in the WLP text
- Do not identify the visual sensitivity classes that apply to parts of the scenic area as this will require the WLP to be amended when visual quality objectives are established



Ungulate Winter Ranges

- Any ungulate winter ranges need to be identified on the WLP map or text
- Understand any objectives or general wildlife measures for the ungulate winter range



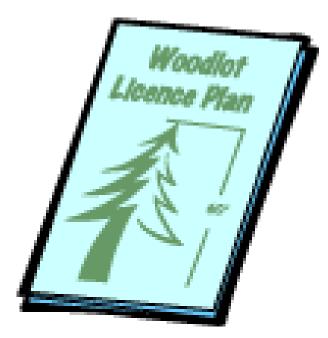
Community or Fisheries Sensitive Watersheds

- The WLP must identify or describe any community watersheds or fisheries sensitive watersheds which overlap the WL area
- WLP must be consistent with any water quality objectives for a community watershed or any fisheries sensitive watershed objectives.



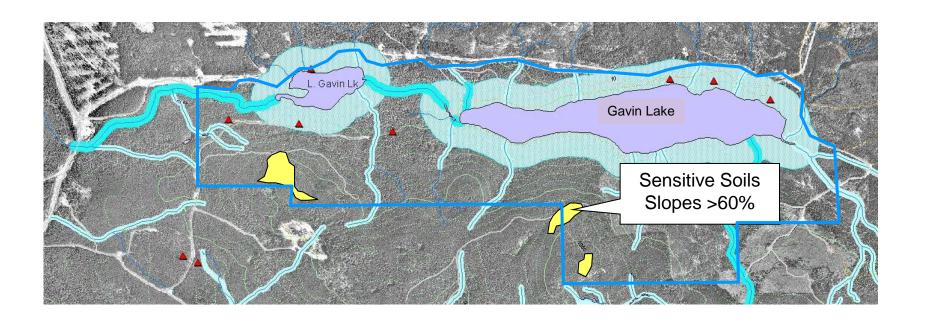
Community or Domestic Water Supply Infrastructures

 The WLP must identify or describe any community or domestic water supply intakes that are licensed under the Water Act and any related water supply infrastructures which exist on or adjacent to the WL area



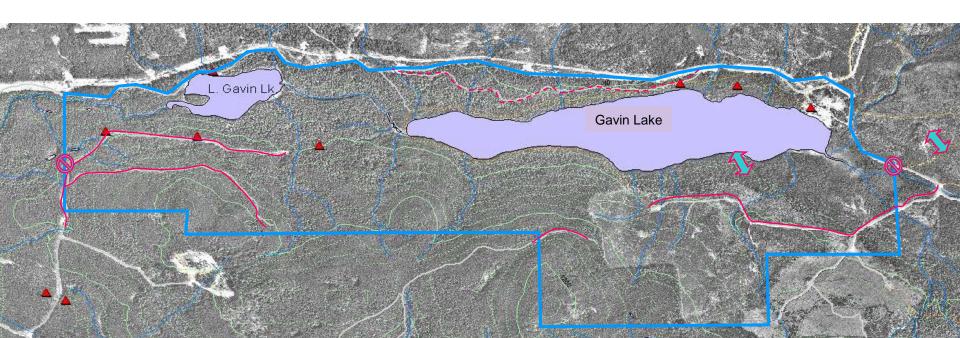
Contiguous areas of sensitive soil

- The WLP must identify contiguous areas of sensitive soil
- Sensitive soil is defined as
 - an area with a slope > 60 % or indicators of potential slope instability



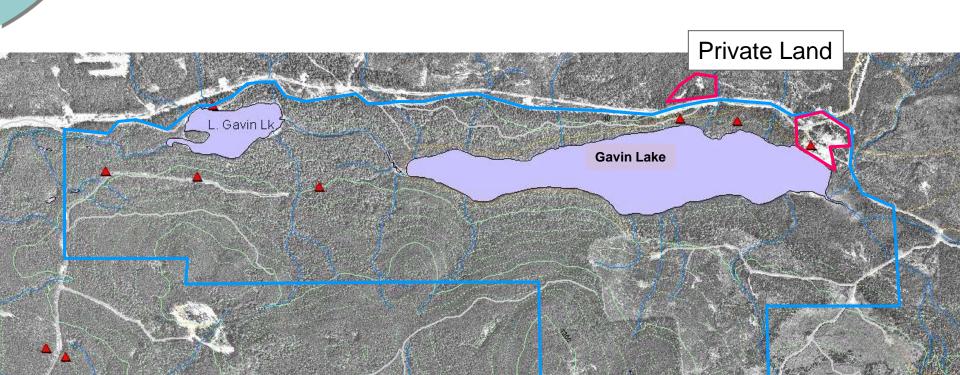
Maps and Information for Roads

- Existing Roads
- Temporary and Permanent barricades to restrict vehicle access



Private Property

- Private property within or <u>adjacent</u> to the woodlot licence area must be identified or described in the WL plan
- <u>adjacent</u> is no longer defined in regulation but means near or contiguous



Resource Features

- Karst
- Range Developments
- Research Plots
- Snow Course

- Cultural Heritage

 Resource associated

 with traditional use
- Recreation sites, trails, facilities and features

