



Briefing to NICC FMLT: JSP Recommendations for Final Implementation of EBM

**April 29, 2014
Bob Craven RPF**

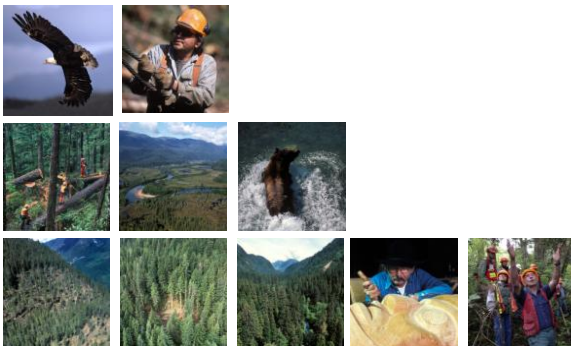
April 29, 2014

Introduction/Background

- JSP has developed recommendations for the final implementation of EBM
- The recommendations are input to the 2014 Review
- JSP is committed to working respectfully with the Province and First Nations towards acceptance of the recommendations or their equivalent



- Achieve the purpose of the 2014 Review by focusing on:
 - ✓ Outcomes that are doable and durable
 - ✓ Realistically addressing ecosystems and woodflow
 - ✓ Solutions
 - ✓ Respect for past agreements
 - ✓ Marketplace support



Key Elements

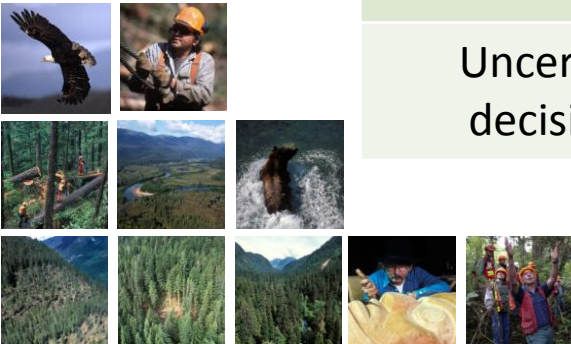
- Plan Area low ecological risk (70% RONV by ecosystem) over time
- Landscape Unit High Risk Minimums (30% Total by ecosystem)
- Spatial Implementation of Targets (Strategic Level Reserve Designs (SLRD) and Temporary Old Growth Reserves) and Managed Forest
- 550,000 ha Managed Forest area/2.5 million m³ AAC legislated for 10 years
- 3,109,000 ha Natural Forest area
- 6 New Conservancies/BMTAs (~168,000 ha)

- Permanent Restoration Zones (in 13 LUs)



Improvement over Current LUO

2009 Land Use Order	Recommended Solution
Site Series Surrogates	Site Series Groups
Minimal Flexibility	Plan Area Targets w/ Flexibility
No Plan to Get to Low Risk	Minimum Old & Plan to Get to Low Risk
High Level Analysis Less correlation with achievable woodflow	Operationally Informed Analysis Higher Likelihood of Achievable woodflow
Uncertainty about harvest in the NCLB	Natural / Managed Forest + 70 RONV Targets = Certainty
Uncertainty around future decisions and investment	Landbase Certainty Market Support



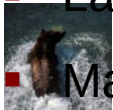
Improvement

- Site Series Groups - more accurate ecosystem unit
- Plan Area Targets w/ Landscape Unit Targets = flexibility + continuous improvement
- Minimum old growth retention & Plan to get to low risk
- Cooperative planning with oversight, transparency + accountability
- Operationally informed analysis supports achievable woodflow
- Natural / Managed Forest + 70 RONV Targets = Spatial

Certainty

- Land base certainty

- Market Support



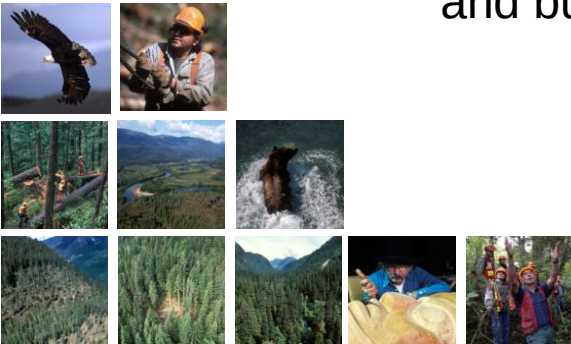
Equivalent Outcome

- Long Term Low Risk* Targets – Plan Area / Landscape Unit
- Minimum Old Growth Levels – Plan Area / Landscape Unit
(includes a defined continued harvest of old i.e. variance)
- Landscape Unit High Risk Minimums + bounded “departure”
- Defined Size for Managed / Natural Forest
- Fixed Plan Area AAC (2.5 Million m³/yr for 1st Decade) and Cut control (10 year), Proportionate Impacts
- Spatial Certainty - Reserves and Managed Forest
- BMTAs that are Equivalent (ecol/econ)



Learning by Doing – Pilot Projects

- Propose pilot projects to develop updated SLRDs for 3 representative areas in the south, central and north coast
 - inform updated SLRD methodology
 - Provide a visual representation of how the JSP proposal works on the ground
 - Proof of model for the decision making cycle to finalize SLRDs
 - Provide experience to develop consistent training manual and build institutional memory

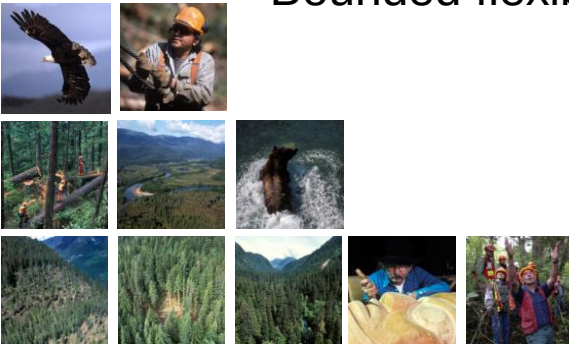


Legislative Requirements

- Revised Land Use Orders (Old Growth, Riparian, Stand Level Retention)
- Legal Designation of BMTAs or Conservancies
- Setting Plan Area AAC at 2.5 million cu m, role of chief forester, 10 year cut control period



- Direction to use updated SLRD Guidance
- All tenure holders to participate in Implementation Process
- Establish Managed and Natural Forest (advice required)
- Continued collaborative engagement with stakeholders
- Clarity on future LUO reviews and social choice
- Agreement on adaptive management and what constitutes best available information
- Bounded flexibility to deal with incremental new legal requirements



Human Wellbeing

- First Nations Human Wellbeing - to be discussed further
and ...

- Timber supply certainty
- Forestry and milling jobs
- Marketplace support
- Efficient regulatory framework
- Investment in adaptive management

