

Reporting Requirements for FIA funded Silviculture and Forest Health Activities

Silviculture and forest health accomplishments funded under the Forest Investment Account will be reported through the Ministry of Forest's Integrated Silviculture Information System (ISIS). Overall project completion information and costs will still be sent to PwC for processing through FIRS.

Under the new FIA delivery process we are changing from the FRBC model when MoF district staff entered a significant amount of information into ISIS. We are starting a scaled back process for licensees to submit information similar to what they do for basic silviculture reporting obligations. By late 2003 or early 2004 it is anticipated that licensees will only have one digital online report to submit for both basic and incremental silviculture. This new reporting process is a step in that direction.

The General FIA Standards (FS 1001) and the "Guidelines and Procedures for FIA Funded Silviculture Activities" require licensees to report their silviculture accomplishments and key end results. See the Ministry's FIA website: http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/cpp/fia/stand_establish_treatment_eligible_act.htm

For this fiscal year, Licensees are required to provide FIA silviculture accomplishment information to the Ministry through the "FIA Silviculture Accomplishment Report" or FS 753-758. This form is an amalgamation of 2 previous forms, (which were a total of 4 pages in length) into one new form, which is one page long.

The new FS753-758:

- uses "Shana Informed filler" technology for easy web-access, electronic data entry and routing of the information directly for centralized data entry and processing;
- is based on key content and data elements similar to MLSIS form 708 B and C;
- tracks core business information (only activity results and post-treatment forest cover information when and if there is updated information gathered through surveys or treatments result in changes to forest cover or stocking status);
- provides the ability to schedule key potential treatments; and,
- provides the ability to declare that the stand is stocked or free growing.
- a copy of the form can be accessed at:
<http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/isb/forms/lib/stubs/fs753-758info.htm>

Licensees carrying out silviculture activities are required to complete the FS753-758 and submit the information. There is a *SEND* button on the Shana form that routes the form automatically.