

Ministry of Forests & Range LBIS Funding Request Form

Investment Category: Mid-Term Timber Supply
Investment Category Contact: Ralph Winter
Amount Requested: \$ 3.0 Million
Request Rationale (no more than 1 page):
<u>Business rationale (include benefit/cost impacts):</u>
<p>Pruning</p> <p>Treat 2,000 ha of the approximately 5,677 ha of planned in the management unit silviculture strategies. Historically 19% of harvested volume consisted of clear, knot free wood and has decreased to 9% over the past 20 years. In order to maintain or enhance the supply of valuable volume, pruning of 10% or more of second growth stands will be required in many management units. Treatments will be focused on Coastal units as they have the greatest potential increase in the production of valuable volume.</p> <p>Impact:</p> <p>Proposed treatment will potentially increase the value of treated stands 50-60%..</p> <p>Additional Benefits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Volume produced is better suited for production of some value added products• Increased wood quality• Off site Carbon sequestration for 70 or more years in high value solid wood products• Increase short and long term employment• reduction in interface fire risk.• Reduced impact of white pine blister rust• Increase or maintenance of understory forage production in specific wildlife areas• Synergy with spacing and fertilization treatments

Amount Allocated (to be filled out by FPIB):

Allocation Rationale (to be filled out by FPIB):

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