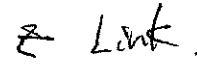


Timber Harvesting Land Base Process
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The Forest Competitive Initiative – joint industry and agency looking to enhance competitiveness in the short term.

See FLNRO Competitiveness and Innovation Branch <https://www.for.gov.bc.ca/het/index.htm>

From this work, Provincial Stewardship/Timber Harvesting Land Base (THLB) Stabilization Project was developed to improve stewardship and economic activity while optimizing constraints on the timber harvesting land base. See *Chief Forester Information Bulletin - Stewardship and Stabilizing the Timber Harvesting Land Base March 2015*  Link.

Pilots initiated across the province with Coast Areas initiated in Stella Lake watershed (DCR) and San Josef Landscape Unit (DNI).

Based on work completed in pilots the *Chief Foresters Guidelines for Stewardship/Timber Harvesting Landbase Stabilization Projects June 16, 2015* was produced to standardize how work was to be completed and result in consistent decision making process.

CF Guideline includes process that relies on Operational Issues Forum (OIF) to jointly review project proposals.

The Coast OIF asked the Coast FRPA Implementation Team (CRIT) to develop a project intake and evaluation process (and associated tools) to support them.

CRIT develop a project;

- application and evaluation process
- content template
- evaluation criteria
- proposal template

Products were tested using Western Forest Products Stillwater proposal and results presented and accepted by the Coast OIF in September, 2016.

WFP Stillwater proposal is currently with the Regional Executive Director for consideration. Products are undergoing final refinement and will be sent to the Coast OIF as final products in the near future.

Products will be posted on the CRIT web site.

<https://www.for.gov.bc.ca/rco/stewardship/CRIT/index.htm>

The Coast OIF will be considering opportunity for new proposals later this year or early 2017.