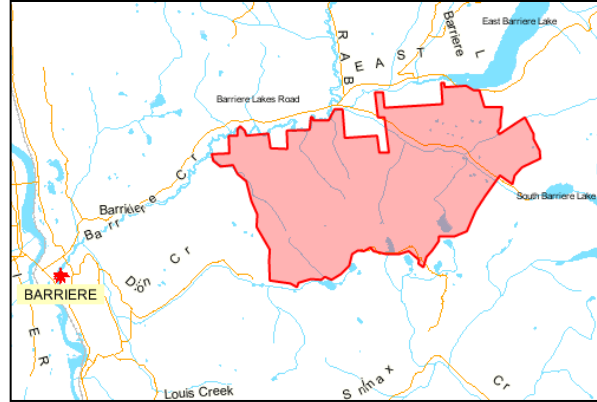




# LOWER NORTH THOMPSON COMMUNITY FOREST SOCIETY



## SPRING 2011 NEWSLETTER

Welcome to our Spring 2011 newsletter. The goal of this newsletter is to keep you up-to-date and informed on the activities of the Lower North Thompson Community Forest Society. Your support is greatly appreciated and important in ensuring the continued success of our organization through the creation of sustainable jobs, new business and investments, and the generation of revenues specifically for community oriented objectives.

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### NON-REPLACEABLE FOREST LICENSE A73247

- Harvesting on Cutting Permit (CP) 7 (Moose Meadows) completed November 2010 with approximately 11,000m<sup>3</sup> in total volume. This permit was logged by Dora Creek Contracting and J Grant McGill Logging.
- With the upcoming license expiry July 31, 2011, the remaining volume for this license has now been developed and is planned for spring/summer harvesting. Cutting Permit 997 (Dixon & Cedar Creeks) totals ~15,000m<sup>3</sup> and will be logged by Rilcoe Contracting (block 1) and Stamer Logging (blocks 2 – 8). CP 998 (Deer Lake) totals ~7,000m<sup>3</sup> and will be logged by Chinook Cove Contracting. Upon complete of these permits, the full volume for this license will be harvested. Both permits target pine salvage.

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the Lower North Thompson Valley*

- Tree Planting on Cutting Permit 9 will be completed this spring (122,000 seedlings) and CP's 7 and 10 as well as additional fill planting areas are scheduled for planting in the spring of 2012 (58,000 seedlings).

### **PROBATIONARY COMMUNITY FOREST LICENSE K1Z**

- Harvesting on Cutting Permit 2 (Blomley Creek) Blocks 1-2 commenced September 2010 and is now complete. This permit targets pine salvage, is being logged by DRB Contracting (as a subcontractor under Simpcw Resources Ltd.) and totalled ~18,400m<sup>3</sup>.
- Harvesting on Cutting Permit 3 (Haggard Creek) Blocks 2-4 commenced October 2010 and is now complete. This permit targets pine salvage, was logged by Dora Creek Contracting and totalled ~9,600m<sup>3</sup>.
- Harvesting on Cutting Permit 4 (Haggard Creek) Blocks 3-6 totalling ~13,000m<sup>3</sup> commenced in January 2011 and is currently 60% complete. This permit targets pine salvage and is being logged by DRB Contracting (as a subcontractor under Simpcw Resources Ltd.)
- Tree Planting on Cutting Permits 1 (blocks 9-11), 4 (blocks 1-2), and 5 (all) will be completed this spring (86,000 seedlings). CP 2 Blocks 1-2, CP 3 Blocks 1-4, and CP 4 Blocks 3-6 are scheduled for planting in the Spring of 2012 (205,000 seedlings).
- 2010 Forest Investment Account (FIA) funding was utilized for brushing/spacing surveys and a spacing treatment completed by Neskonlith Indian Band on a backlog (pre-1987 harvested) opening within community forest. Total funding received was \$45,000.
- In March 2011, we submitted an audit for SAFE certification under the newly created ISEBASE category, designed for companies with 2-5 employees. Once achieved, this will replace our existing SEBASE certification.
- Our 2010 Job Creation Partnership (JCP) program, funded through Ministry of Social Development (MSD) and aimed at providing training and work experience for EI funded participants, has now successfully completed and a new 2011 JCP is planned for June to October. 2010 MSD funding (excluding participant wages) totalled \$89,000, with \$63,000 allocated for the 2011 program.

Thanks again for your continued support. If you have any questions, comments or concerns, please feel free to contact me at (250) 672-1941.

Yours truly,

Mike Francis, RPF