

Registration Pursuant to the Environmental Assessment
Section 49-1, of the Environmental Protection Act
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Name of Undertaking: Amendment to Forest Management District 04 Five Year Operating Plan (Terra Nova) for operating period September 01, 2000 to March 31, 2005

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Nature of Undertaking: Amendment to District 04, Terra Nova. Five year Operating Plan

Purpose/Rationale: To harvest 1500 m³ of softwood from 31 ha of mature and overmature softwood stands as outlined on attached map

This amendment is necessary to provide an area to provide enough volume to satisfy the required volume to complete the allocated volume to an existing harvesting operation, for the year 2003, already scheduled in the general Terra Nova area. The previous approved cutting area contained insufficient volumes to meet the existing allocations. Harvesting in these proposed stands will be kept to a maximum size of 5 ha, with buffers between cutovers to allow buffers to mature forest for any wildlife concerns and to minimize

disturbance. Fiber from this operation is required in support of local integrated sawmill operations. A road infrastructure is already in place so no additional road building is planned.

Geographic Location:

Forest Management District 04 encompasses an area in the east central portion of the province between Gambo in the north and Port Blandford in the south, extending west to within approximately 10 km up the Bay D'Espoir Highway. This undertaking falls in the general location west of Terra Nova Lake. The attached overview map shows District 04 in relation to the island portion of the province. The 1:50,000 topographic map and the 1:15,000 stand map outlines the exact areas.

Physical Features:

The topography in this area is a gentle slope with a northerly aspect. Harvesting will take place in mature black spruce forest located along the old Terra Nova woods road. Presently covered under an Abitibi Consolidated Timber Exchange Agreement with the crown.

Operation :

This undertaking involved forest harvesting operations which will be conducted according to environmental protection guidelines for Forestry Operations.

In general, this operation will be in the general area of previously harvested areas approved under annual operating plans. These areas have since "greened up" and have regenerated to sufficient stocking levels to be classed as free to grow. Harvesting activities are subject to standards and specifications laid out by the Forest Ecosystem Management Division of the Department of Forest Resources & Agrifoods. As well, operations are subject to the Environmental protection Plan for Ecologically based Forest Resource Management. A designated cabin area is located along Terra Nova Lake. Requested harvesting areas will be conducted where they are not visible from the Terra Nova Road or the cabin sites. Disturbance will be kept to a minimum.

Occupations:

Loggers, equipment operators, truckers and sawmillers, pulp will go to Abitibi Consolidated

Documents: Pending approval, this proposal will be included in the Forest Management District 04 Five Year Annual Operating Plan, September 01, 2000 - March 31, 2005.

Approval of the Undertaking: Project approval from the Forest Ecosystem Management Division and the Department of Environment

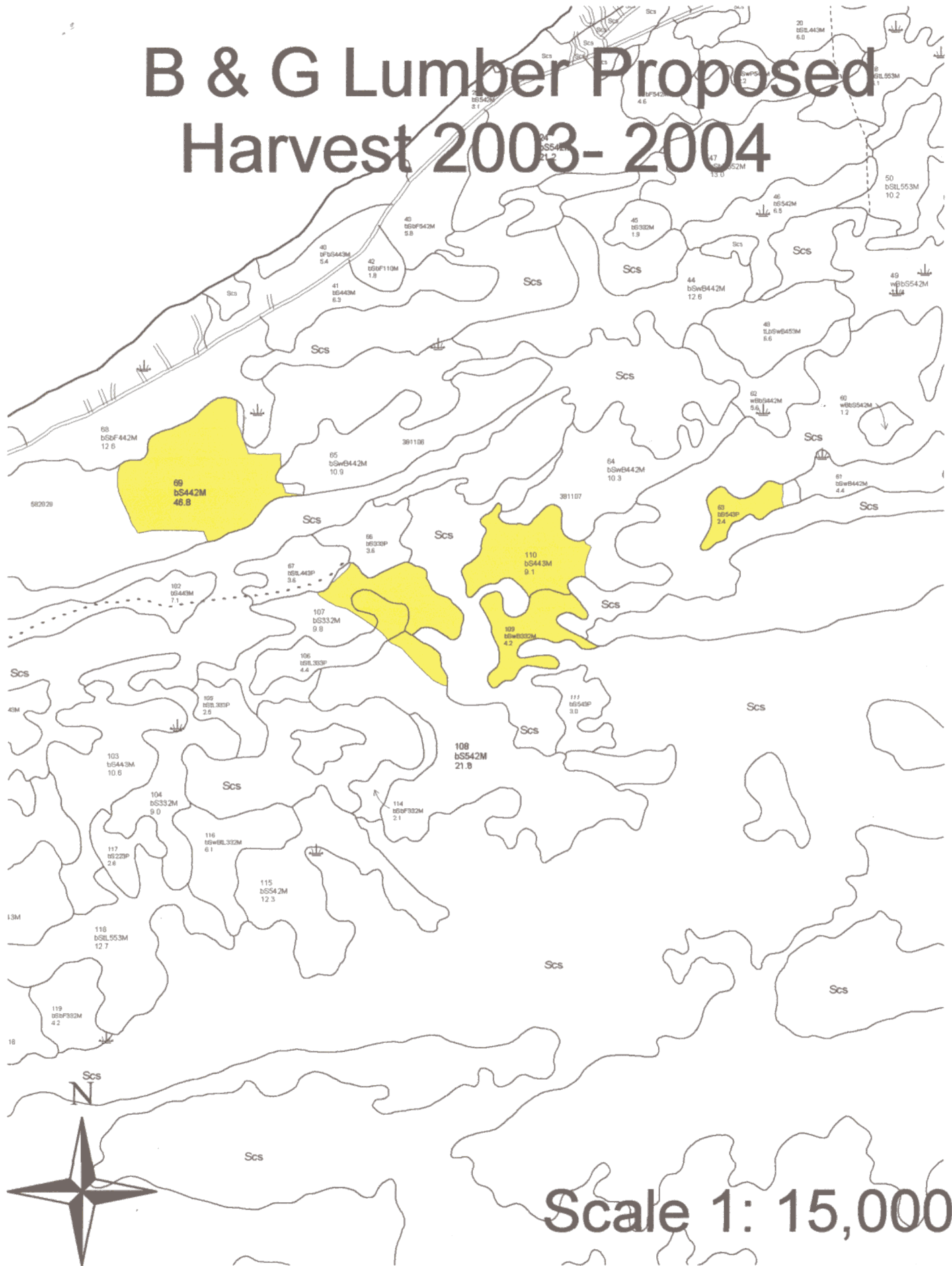
Schedule: From date of approval to March 31, 2004

Other Comments: Hardwoods will not be scheduled for harvesting in this area. Commercial operations will be operating under a crown cutting permit and as such will be bound by its conditions.

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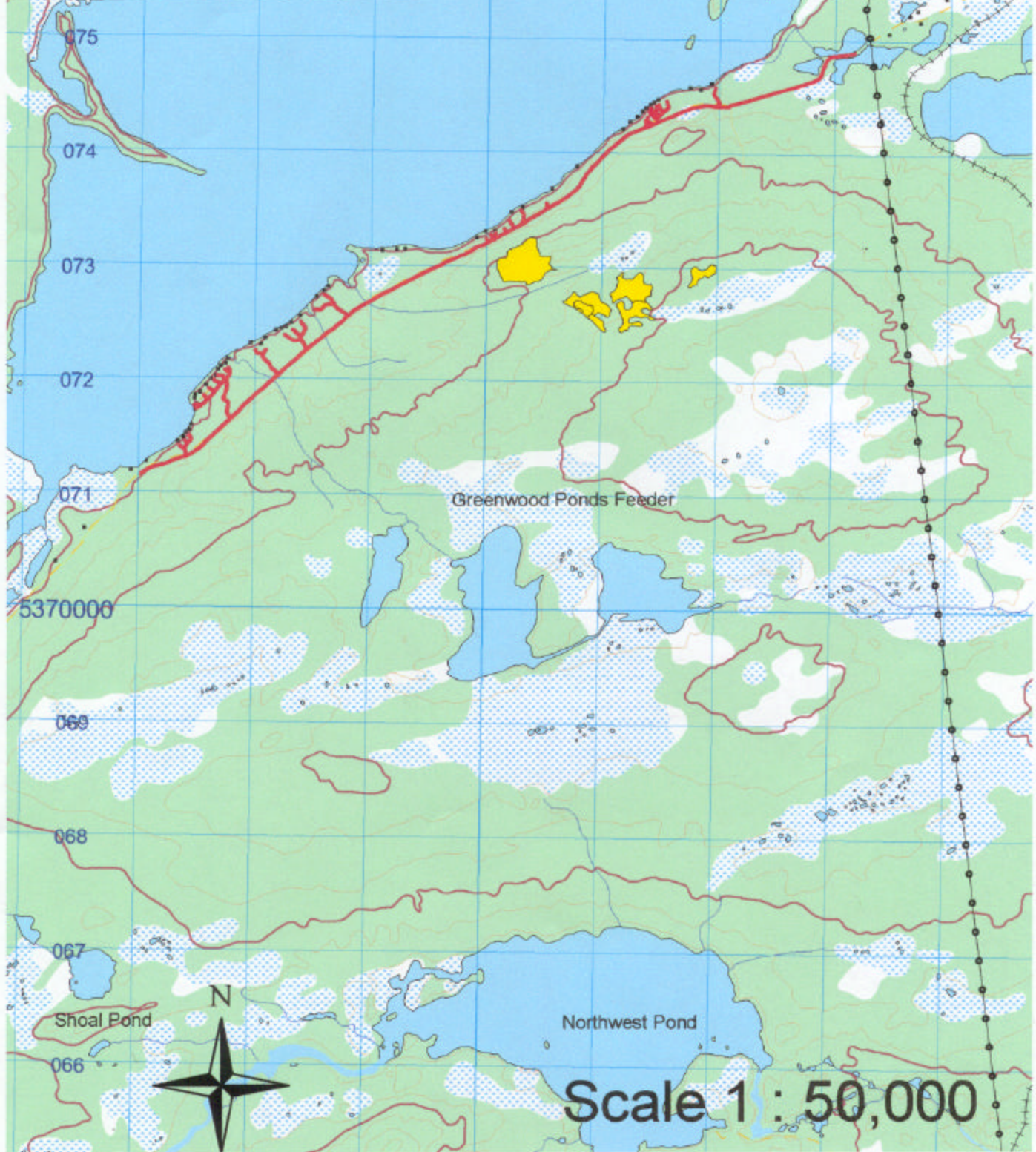
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Terra Nova Lake



Greenwood Ponds Feeder

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Shoal Pond

Northwest Pond

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Proposed Harvest Area District 4 Overview

