

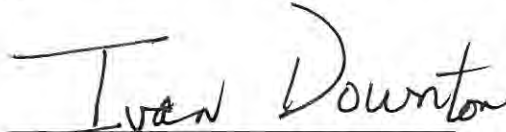
January 4, 2011

RE: Amendment to the District 1 Crown 5 Year Operating Plan (2007-2011)

As per the *Environmental Protection Act* (2002), please find enclosed 40 copies (20 paper and 20 digital) of a proposed amendment to the Forest Management District 1 Crown 5 Year Operating Plan. The amendment concerns the establishment of the tower road commercial operating area. The area is 4.13 ha and contains silviculturally treated forest dominated by balsam fir. Due to past insect damage a high proportion of mortality exists and as a result these stands have reached operable age and are in a state of decline. The intent is to capture this wood while it is still merchantable. Areas will be planted post harvest. There is no new road construction associated with this amendment.

The direct purchase order (DPO) number to cover the cost of the registration is DPO # 210054710.

If you have any questions regarding the amendment, please contact me at (709) 637-2285.



Ivan Downton
Director
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Attach.

cc: Jason Glode
Dave Poole

**REGISTRATION FORM
PURSUANT TO PART X, SECTION 49 OF
THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT (2002)**

Name of Undertaking: District 1 Commercial Cutting Amendment (Amendment to Forest Management Districts 1 Crown Five Year Operating Plan: 2007-11).

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Nature of Undertaking: Amendment to Forest Management District 1 Crown Five Year Operating Plan (2007-11)

Purpose/Rationale: The purpose of this amendment is to access silviculturally treated stands for final harvest. These stands are not primary forest but second cycle forest and will be harvested by local commercial operators in Forest Management District 1.

The area contains pre-commercially thinned stands dating back to the mid 1970's. These stands have reached their operational age and are now in a state of decline. There is a high proportion of mortality currently in the proposed area. Harvesting is recommended to decrease losses associated with stand break up.

This amendment will result in the addition of the Tower Road block into the current Crown Five Year Operating Plan for District 1 which will expire on December 31, 2011.

It is projected that this area will be harvested prior to the end of the current five year planning period. Approximately 4.13 ha will be harvested. There is no new road construction associated with this amendment. Forest stands will be silviculturally treated post harvest using a combination of site preparation and/or planting.

Geographic Location: Forest Management District 1 encompasses the Avalon Peninsula of insular Newfoundland and Labrador. The total area is 9,640 km² and contains 82 communities. The Avalon FMD extends as far west as come by chance and heading east encompasses the Cape Shore, Baie De Verde, Southern Shore, and Northeast Avalon Peninsulas. The amendment area is located northeast of the community of St. Catherines and Mount Carmel. It is just west of the Salmonier River and within the Salmonier local service district. The attached 1:12,500 and 1:50,000 maps outline the amendment area.

Physical Features: The amendment area encompasses a total area of approximately 4.13 ha and contains silviculturally treated forest dominated by balsam fir. These stands have now reached operable age and are in a state of decline as a result of previous insect outbreaks. A high proportion of mortality is present in the amendment area and the intent is to capture this wood while it is still merchantable. The topography varies from flat to undulating and hilly. The general area is characterized mostly by forested land interspersed with marshland and ponds. A road network already exists in the operating area. The stands of timber to be harvested are mature.

Operation: The harvest of the small block will be completed by small scale commercial harvesting. The harvest can be conducted in all seasons. During harvest activity regular road maintenance will be conducted where needed. Timber removal will be completed by a single grip harvester and forwarder and/or manually with a forwarder.

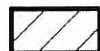

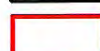
Occupations: Operations in this area will provide employment for two manual harvesters, a forwarder operator, and a truck driver for 2 weeks.

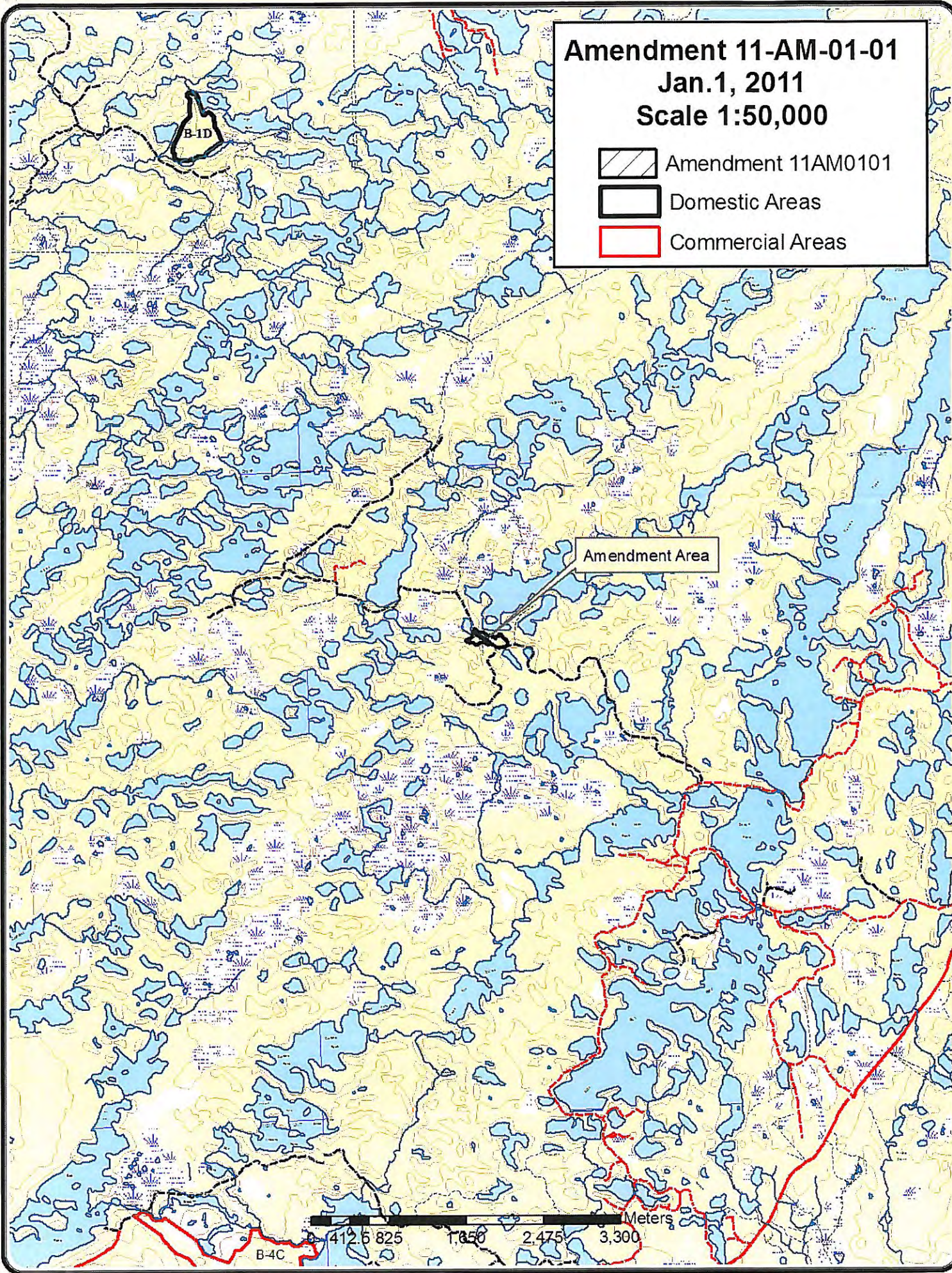
- Documents:** Forest Management Districts 1 Crown Five Year Operating Plan (2007-11).
- Schedule:** Commercial harvest activities are anticipated to commence in the spring of 2011 and will be completed by the end of December, 2011.
- Other Comments:** This amendment will allow the harvest of a small area of silviculturally treated stands with a high proportion of mortality. The harvest will support local commercial operators in Forest Management District 1. Harvesting at this time decreases future losses due to stand decline, reduces fire risk, and avoids future treatment to protect these stands from potential insect damage. Planning team members will be informed of this proposal.

Jan 18, 2011
Date

Ivan Downton
Chief Executive Officer

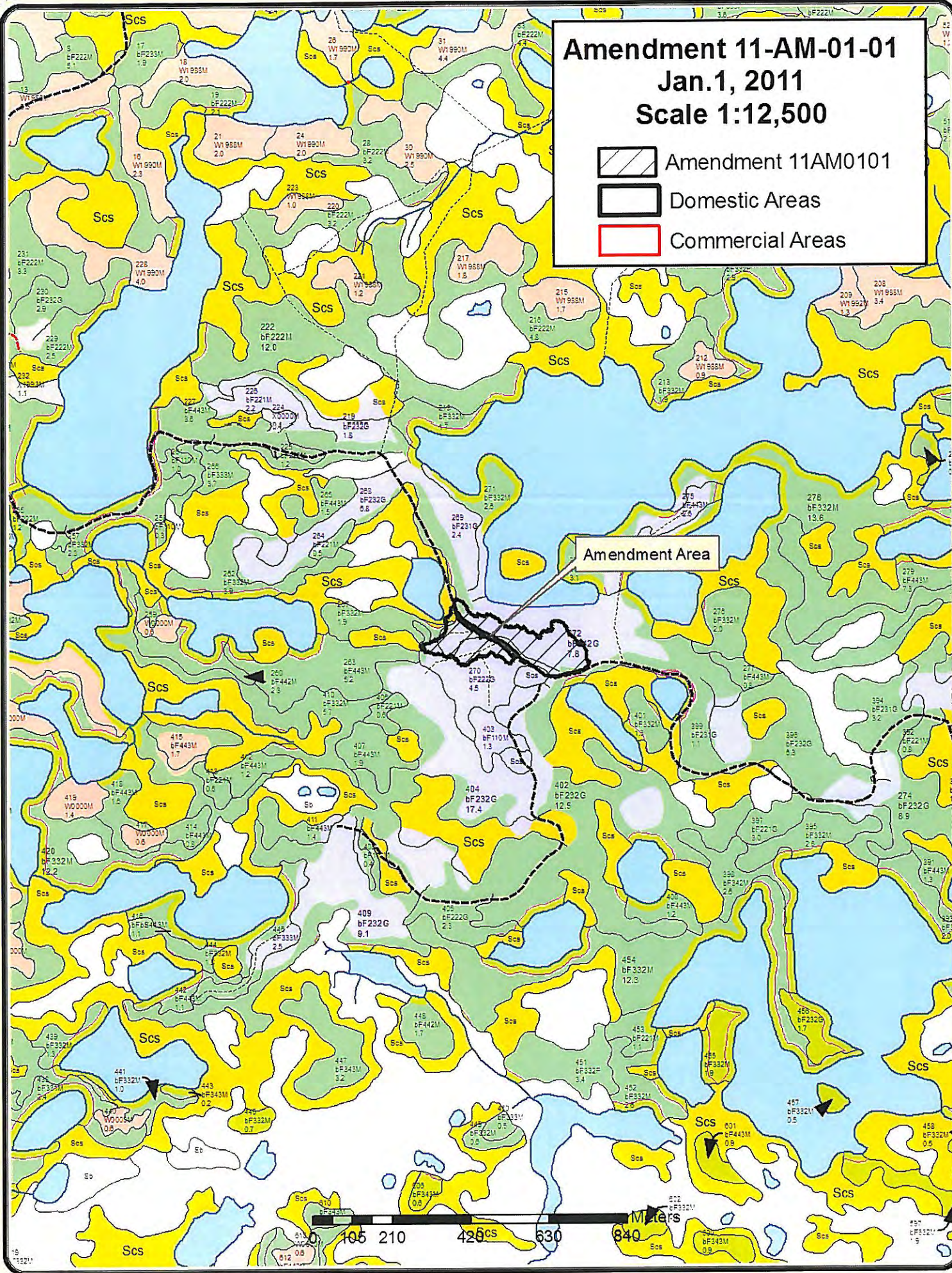
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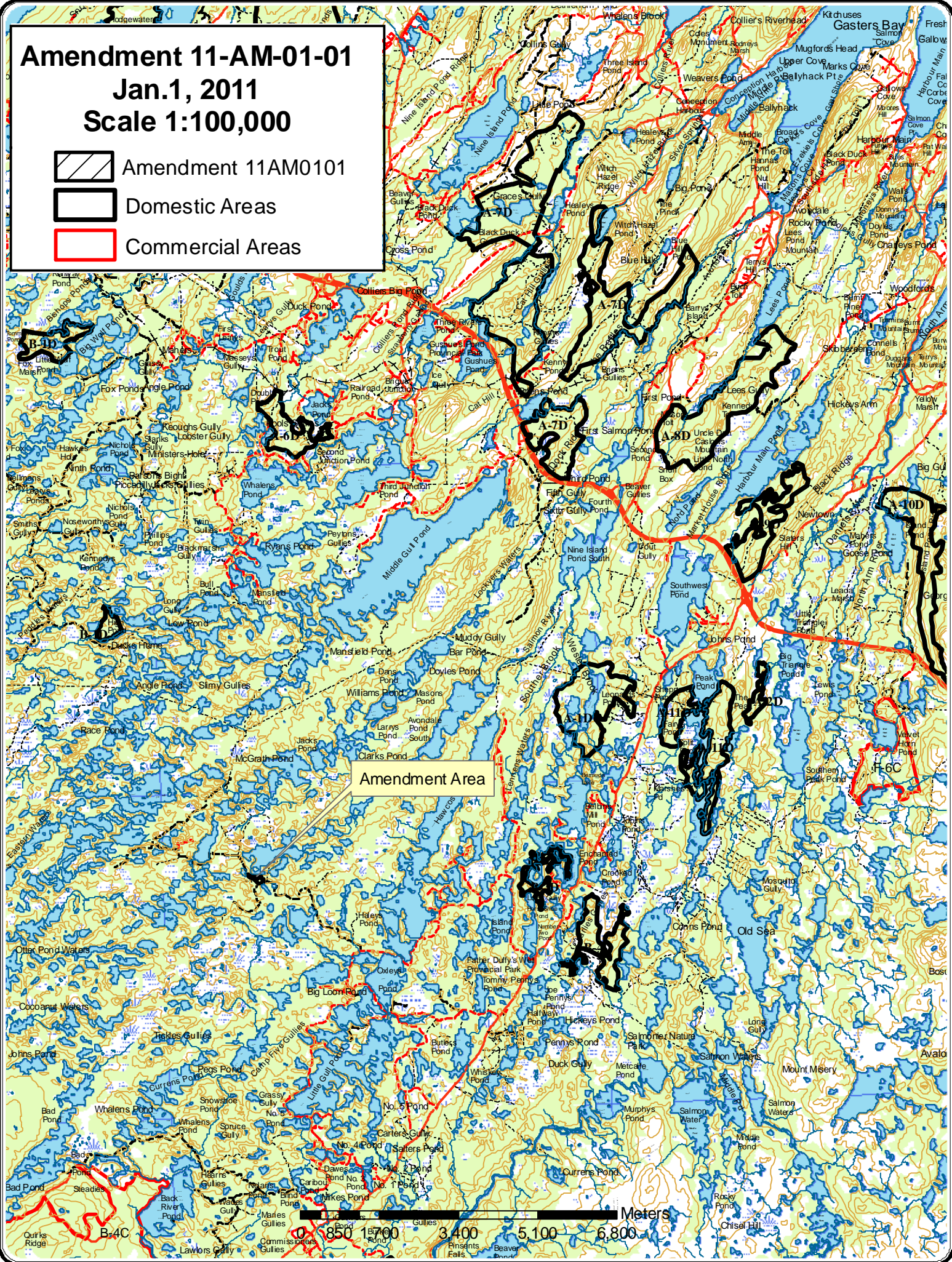


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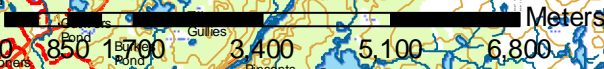
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