

**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 District 1 Crown Five Year Operating Plan: 2012-16).

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Nature of Undertaking: Amendment to Forest Management District 1 Crown Five Year Operating Plan (2012-16)

Purpose/Rationale: The purpose of this amendment is to access mature forest stands that have reached an operable age for management. These stands are located adjacent to the recently approved Munn agriculture development and will be managed by a commercial contractor during the development of the agriculture area.

The area contains mature fir and spruce mix stands that have reached an operational state. Management is recommended for a number of reasons including, continued support of the local forest management and sawmill industry, prevention of further volume loss as stands reach maturity and decline,

reduced forest fire risk for area, and improved operational feasibility by accessing stands while developing adjacent agriculture area.

This amendment will result in the addition of the Munn operating area in the current Crown Five Year Operating Plan for District 1 which will expire on December 31, 2016.

It is projected that this area will be managed prior to the end of the current five year planning period. Approximately 37 ha will be managed. There is 2.0km new class D road construction associated with this amendment. The road will be an extension to an existing agriculture road. All management areas will be silviculturally treated by planting when operations are completed and possible future plantation maintenance will be required.

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 east of the community of Whitbourne adjacent to the Ocean Pond Cabin Development Area. 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 37 ha and contains mature balsam fir stands and balsam fir/spruce mix stands. These stands have reached an operable age and contain average volumes of 90m³/ha. Portions of stands are experiencing blowdown and mortality is present and the intent is to capture this wood while it remains merchantable. The area proposed is adjacent to an agricultural area that is being developed and the intent is to manage these stands at the same time the agricultural area is developed. The topography varies from flat to undulating and hilly. The general area is characterized mostly by forested land interspersed with bogs and fens. An agriculture road already exists and a 2.0k class D road is proposed to access both the amendment area and the agricultural development.

Operation: The management of area will be completed by a commercial harvesting/sawmill contractor from Forest Management District 1. Operations will commence in the spring and continue through the 2014 operating season. During

operations regular road maintenance will be conducted where needed. Operations will be completed by a single grip harvester, manual harvester, and forwarder.

Occupations:

Operations in this area will provide employment for 1 single grip harvester operator, 2 manual harvesters, 1 forwarder operator, and 2 transport truck operators. The operations will supply resources to a local sawmill which employs approx. 15 – 20 employees in the production of lumber, shipping pallets, and fuelwood.

Documents:

Forest Management Districts 1 Crown Five Year Operating Plan (2012-16).

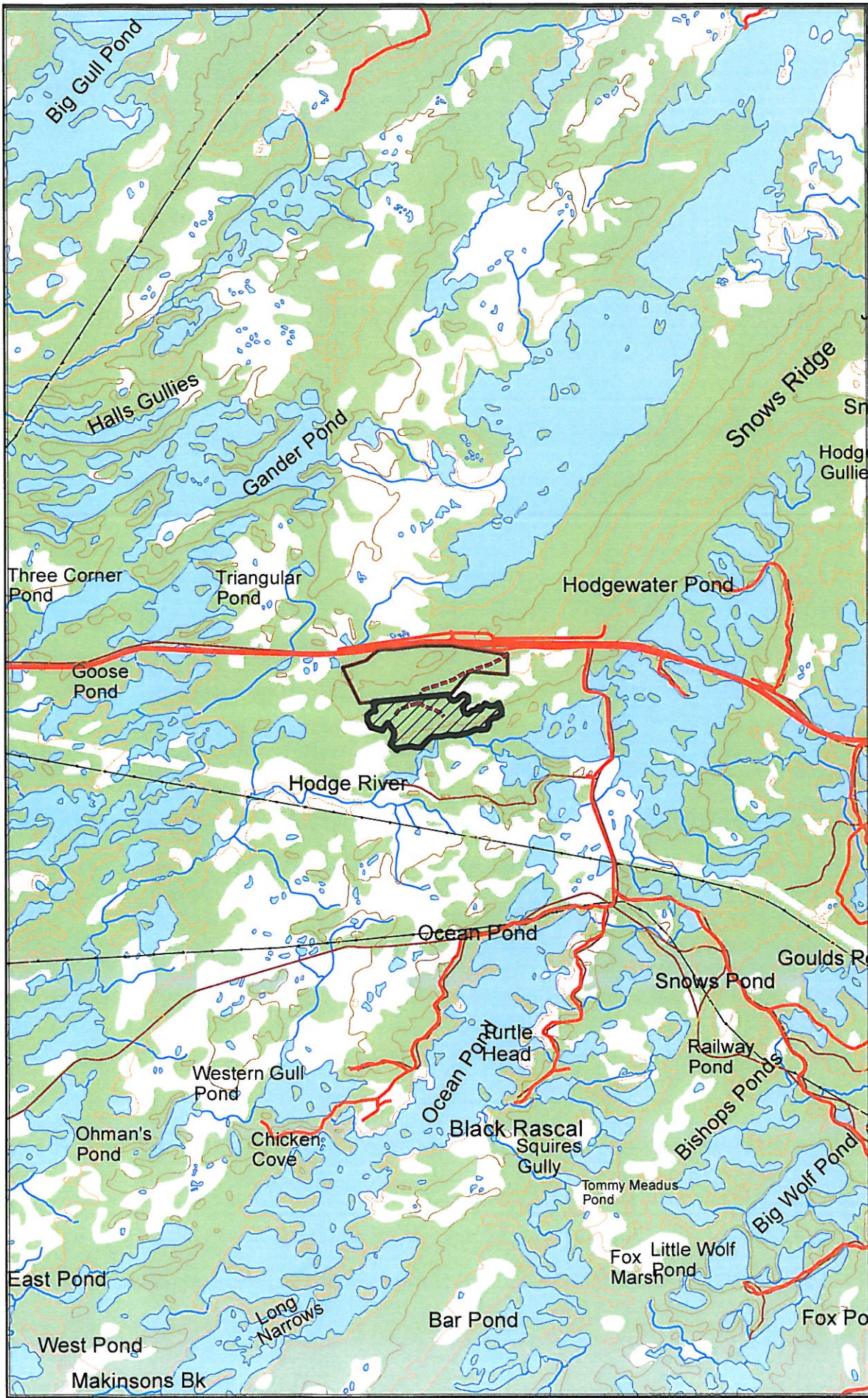
Schedule:

Management activities are anticipated to commence in the spring of 2014 and continue through the 2014 operating season.

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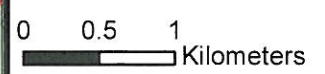
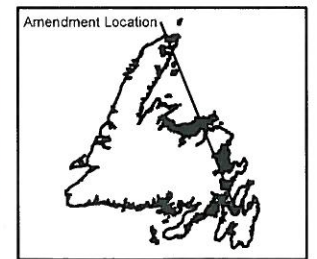
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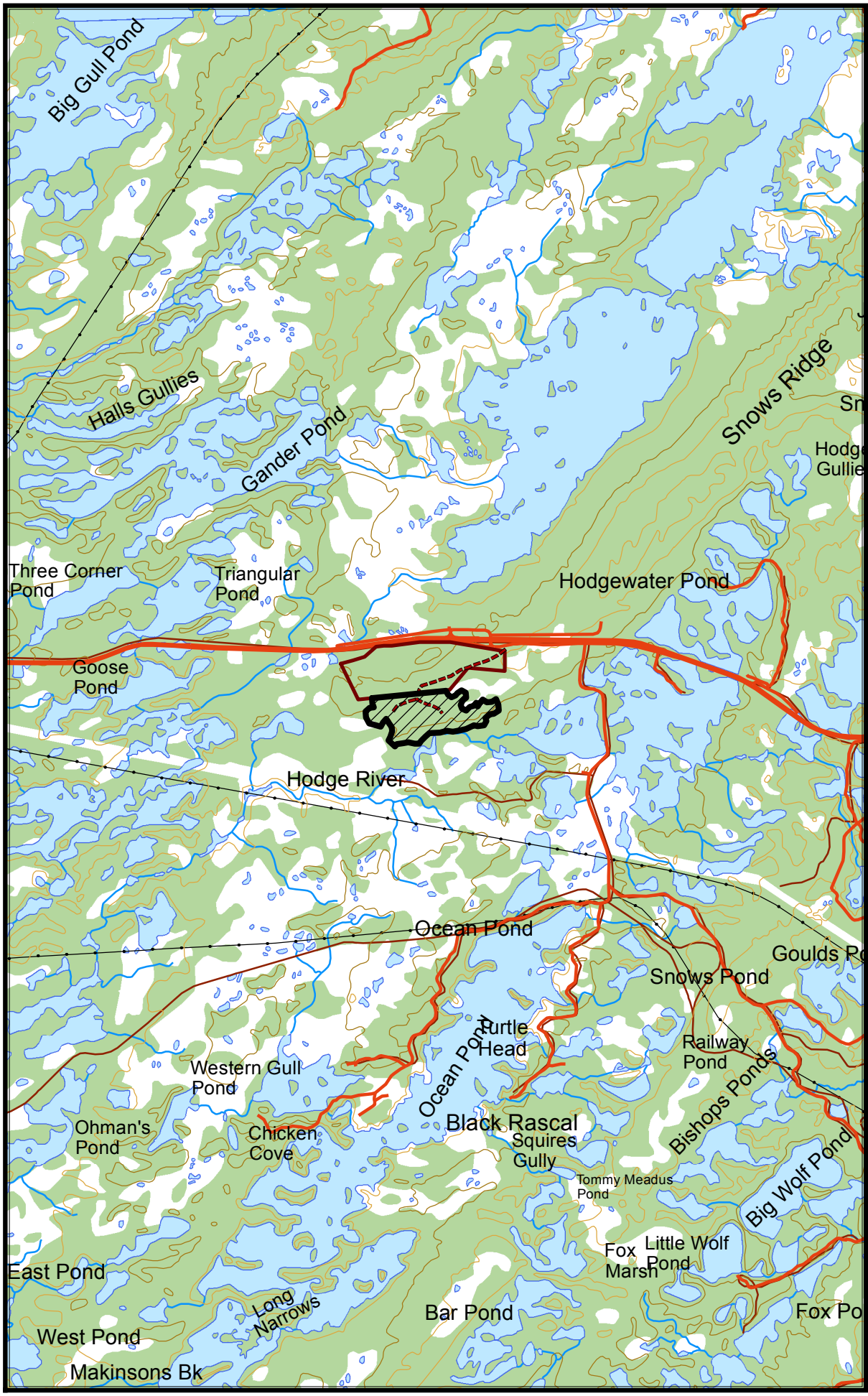


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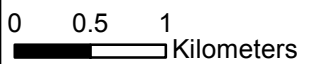
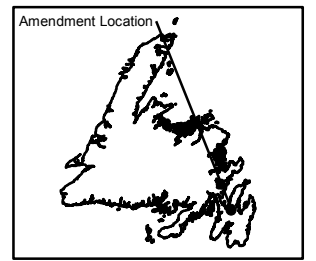


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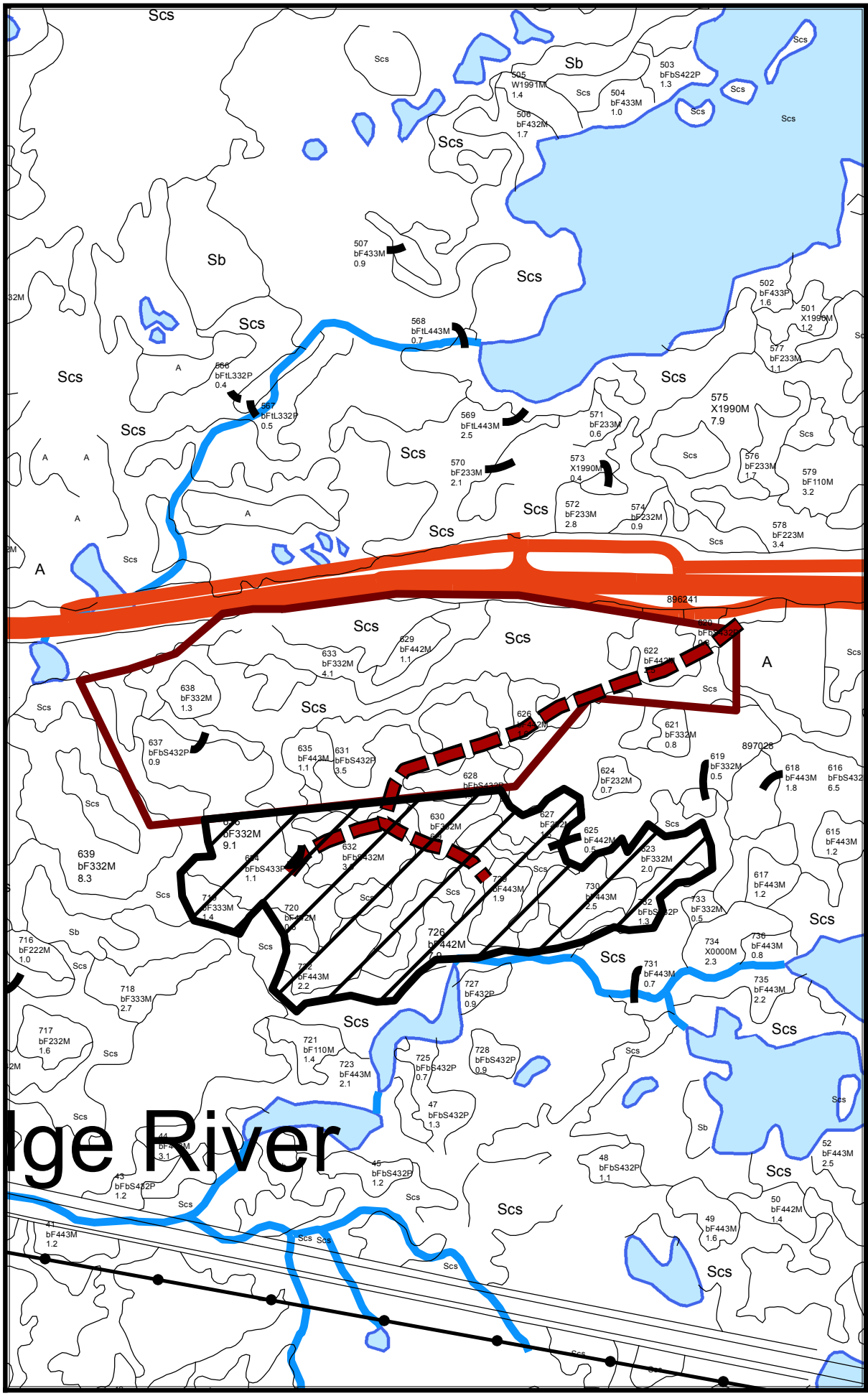


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