

Kruger Inc. Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Ltd.

Domestic Harvest Plan

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1.0 Introduction

Newfoundlanders and Labradorians have a long history of fuel wood harvesting. The demand for firewood in the province is expected to increase as the cost of home heating fuels and electricity are continually rising. Fuelwood continues to be the lowest cost option for most people.

The Forestry Act, Cutting of Timber Regulations states that “a domestic cutting permit is required to cut and remove timber from Crown or public land for personal use. The timber is not for sale, barter or gift.”

Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited issues an estimated 1400 permits annually which amounts to 35,000m³ harvested/salvaged annually.

2.0 Domestic Cutting Permits – District 16

The Corner Brook Pulp and Paper issues domestic cutting permits on an annual basis in all districts it operates in. The harvest of fuelwood from CBPPL limits is confined to cutover cleanup and the harvest of non-commercial species only (larch, birch, aspen, down wood, deadwood). Permits are issued through the Forest Safety Association of Newfoundland and Labrador (FSANL) either online or from their Corner Brook office.

3.0 Domestic Cutting Permits – District 9

Permits are also issued by Gov NL FFA offices (for Districts 14 and 9) through Hardwood Management Agreements. In District 9 the agreement allows the Minister of FFA the right to manage all hardwoods, which includes the issuing of cutting permits and the monitoring of the harvest activities. The permit holder may also cut softwoods if such cutting is deemed appropriate by the Minister and CBPPL.

To move forward with a new Domestic Cutting Plan for D9 the Hardwood Transfer Agreement has been amended. Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited has agreed to provide the Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture with domestic access to harvest softwoods as per section 3.b under the FMD 9 Hardwood Transfer Agreement. See Appendix A for the complete letter including details on cutting in D9 and D5.

3.0 Domestic Cutting Permits – Bona-fide Fisherpersons

Corner Brook Pulp and Paper had also made a softwood cutting permit available to bona-fide fisherpersons on their limits. Fisherpersons must provide a copy of their most recent fishing license to CBPPL, and in return a permit for up to 100 logs, every two years, may be obtained.

4.0 Appendix

Appendix A



Government of Newfoundland and Labrador
Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture

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RE: FMD9 Hardwood Transfer Agreement.

Dear John:

Thank-you for your recent correspondence, in which, Corner Brook Pulp and Paper Limited has agreed to provide the Minister of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture with domestic access to harvest softwoods as per section 3.b under the FMD 9 Hardwood Transfer Agreement. The current Hardwood Transfer Agreement, due to expire on January 1st, 2025 will include one additional area for 2022 only, referred to as "FMD 05 – Gander Bay South – Weir's Pond" in which the same domestic access to softwoods would apply. Below is the 5yr summary associated with the number of domestic permits issued annually in these areas.

Year	Baie Verte Domestic Permits	Weirs Pond Domestic Permits
2017	444	73
2018	439	59
2019	432	67
2020	419	45
2021 (Up to – Oct 25, 2021)	408	40
Average	428	57

In exchange, the Minister has agreed to provide CBPPL with access to the provincial forest inventory, annual disturbance updates, silviculture boundaries and wood-supply information as requested by the company.

If you would like to discuss your concerns or have any further questions regarding this initiative please contact Mr. Bryan Oke, Director of Forest Ecosystem Management, at Bryan.Oke@gov.nl.ca or by telephone at (709) 637-2296.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bryan Oke".

Mr. Bryan Oke,
Director of Forest Ecosystem Management

c. Mr. Stephen Balsom, Assistant Deputy Minister - Forestry and Wildlife

