

REGISTRATION FORM
PURSUANT OF PART 10, ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT
SECTION 49 OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT ACT

Name of Undertaking:

Zone 5 Amendment
Five Year Operating Plan (2021-2025)

Proponent:

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The Undertaking:

(i) Nature of Undertaking

Commercial and Domestic timber harvesting amendment to the current Five-Year Operating Plan 2021-2025, for Forest Management District 12.

(ii) Purpose/Rationale/Need for Undertaking

Propose to commercially harvest an approximate 40,000 m³ of Softwood (Swd) and 3,000 m³ of residual hardwood (Hwd). The total area represents 1,980 hectares and is within the overall annual allowable cut of 156,800 m³ Swd and 11,600 m³ Hwd. This proposed area is near the Buchans Highway and is considered for the spring of 2025. Such areas facilitates continued forestry operations during the Winter to Summer transition period by reducing travel on softer forest access roads.

Description of Undertaking:

(i) Geographic Location

Forest Management Planning Zone 5 encompasses Forest Management Districts 10, 11, 12 & 13 within the central portion of the island. The zone extends from Victoria Lake in the west to the Bay d'Espoir Highway in the east.

The amendment request in FMD 12 is located approximately 20 kilometres Southwest along route 370 from the community of Badger.

(ii) Physical Features

The proposed amendment in FMD 12 is located on rolling terrain, consisting of Pre-Commercial Thinnings & mature softwood intermixed with hardwoods.

(iii) Operation

The proposed amendment areas are targeted for both commercial and domestic forest harvesting activity.

(iv) Occupants

Equipment Operators, Truck Drivers, Loggers, Sawmillers and Domestic wood harvesters

(v) Project Related Document

Forest Management District 10, 11, 12 & 13 Five Year Operating Plan; January 1, 2021 - December 31, 2025.

Approval of the Undertaking:

Commercial & Domestic Cutting Permits to be issued from Forestry & Wildlife Branch.

Schedule:

If approved, harvesting is planned to commence in 2025.

March 20, 2024
Date

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