



Barkley Community Forest Limited Partnership (BCFC)

Standing Timber Purchase Agreement #K3S 2021-02

Draw Creek Blocks DC10, DC11, DC12 & DC13

Questions and Answers

2021-10-06

Q1: Do the bridges on the Draw East Road have to be new bridges?

A1: The bridges do not necessarily have to be new but must be portable all steel bridges and the designs adhered to including section 4.3 on page 2 regarding used superstructures. Sealed structural drawings specific to each bridge are required.

Note that in-stream works are not permitted for the installation of the two bridges on the Draw East road.

Q2: What is the allowable road right of way harvest width?

A2: Road right-of-ways should be cleared to the extent required for safe long-term use. Immature merchantable conifers should be retained unless they are required to be cut for road or ditch construction or safety reasons. Alder may be harvested up to 15m from the edge of the running surface.

Q3: Are changes to the harvest system permitted?

A3: Any changes to the proposed harvest system must be approved by BCFC with consideration to all other resource values. BCFC expects that the prescribed harvest systems will be maintained unless a compelling rationale meeting all site plan objectives is presented by the successful applicant.



Q4: How will retention levels be calculated and accounted for in the waste survey?

A4: Aggregate retention will be traversed and dispersed retention estimated with variable radius prism plots and total basal area retention compared to the pre-harvest cruise. There is no take or pay billing on standing retention under a tabular cutting permit. BCFC will work with the successful bidder to ensure retention objectives are met.

Q5: Have oversize tress (under the Special Tree Regulation) been marked or is it up to the logger to ID and manage the retention?

A5: It's unlikely that there are any trees that meet the specifications of the Special Tree Regulation (none were noted during engineering or cruising) but it is up to the successful bidder to ensure the fallers are aware of the requirements and to measure trees that might meet the specs. If one was found it could potentially make a good anchor for group retention, but that would have to be determined based on safety and operability - it could also be retained as an individual tree.