

CP 104 (McDonald Creek)

CP SUMMARY

Location: Baerg Road/Slewiskin Forest Service Road

Cutting Permit status: Retired October 2015

Approximate Volume: 29,700m3

Block	Area	Harvest System	Status
1	6.3	ground based	Harvesting completed May 2014
2	32.3	13.8 ha. Cable	Harvesting completed July 2015
		18.5 ha. Ground based	
4	34.8	25.2 ha. Cable (tower)	Harvesting completed spring 2013; planted
		9.6 ha. Ground based	May 2015

Cutting Specifications

The silviculture system for all blocks is Clearcut with Reserves. Blocks will feature dispersed retention (approximately 20 stems per hectare) in some areas as well as wild tree patch reserves.

Other Resources

There is a licensed trapper and domestic water users in the permit area. Development information has been shared with all other tenure holders and First Nations with territorial interests. Development activities will provide improved access for recreational users in the McDonald Creek drainage.

A recent hydrological study of the Slewiskin drainage area was completed in 2009 to determine impacts of the proposed harvesting on the hydrological regime and associated resources such as terrain stability and fish habitat in McDonald Creek. The report concluded that it is unlikely that harvesting will have a negative impact to the hydrological regime in the Slewiskin watershed.

Block 4 is visible from several short viewing stretches along Highway 6. Irregular block shape and stem retention in the conventionally harvested unit will mitigate visual impacts.

Contractors

Reitmeier Logging Ltd., New Denver – logging and trucking HA Friedenberger Contracting Ltd. – logging Arrow Lakes Logging Ltd. – logging W & S Trucking, Nakusp D Katchen Trucking, Nakusp T. Martin Trucking, Nakusp Sicotte Trucking, New Denver Y2K Contracting, Nakusp – trucking Greenpeaks Resource Management – tree planting Hamling Lakes Contracting – site preparation

Wood Marketing

The wood from this cutting permit was sold to various local and regional buyers:

- Brisco Wood Preservers Ltd. Pole yard in Nakusp
- Downie Timber Ltd. Revelstoke
- Kalesnikoff Lumber Company Thrums
- Porcupine Wood Products Salmo
- Interfor Nakusp

Products from this cutting permit include sawlogs, premium metric log, cedar poles, pulp and firewood.

Silviculture

Cutblocks are planted in compliance with the stocking standards approved in NACFOR's Forest Stewardship Plan. Economic value, ecological suitability and forest health factors are considered in stocking standard development. CP 104 Block 4 was planted in May 2015 with a mixed species plantation of Douglas-fir (30%), Western larch (30%), Western red cedar (20%), Western White pine (10%) and Lodgepole pine (10%). Block 1 and Block 2 are scheduled to be planted in Spring 2016.