

# FORESTS NEW SOUTH WALES SOUTHERN REGION HARVESTING PLAN

# Nowra Management Area McDonald State Forest Compartment 1101 & 1104

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### 1. Safety Considerations

## 1.1 Hazard identification

Assessment of existing hazards was undertaken at the time of planning. These hazards are in the attached table and where appropriate, control strategies have been applied. Where no control strategy has been described, the contractor must develop appropriate strategies as part of the contractors Safety Management Plan. A copy of the hazard assessment and control strategies is provided to assist in the development of the contractors Safety Management Plan for this harvesting area.

IDENTIFIED HAZARD	RISK RATING	SUGGESTED CONTROL STRATEGY
1. Adjoining roads of various traffic levels	1	Warning signs at intersections, road closure and traffic control measures
2. Underground pipelines	6	Minimise ground disturbance across or along cables & pipelines. Increase depth of earth cover if required.
3. Cliff lines & rocky very steep terrain	3	Operators to assess work site within two tree lengths to identify immediate hazards. Communicate to other operators and mark sites.
4. Hazardous or dead trees	1	Assess area within two tree lengths of work site. Assess risk, & if necessary remove hazard or move work site. Use machinery to assist with hazard removal if possible.
5. Overhead hazards associated with dumps	1	Assess overhead hazard within two tree lengths of the dump. Assess risk, & if necessary remove hazard or relocate dump site.

Hazard Nos. 1/2/3 are shown on the attached Operational Map

## 1.2 Traffic management/road closures

The logging contractor is responsible for traffic control on all roads when felling is within two tree lengths (approx 70 metres) of the road or snigging on roads or loading is occurring within 10 metres of a road. Warning of timber harvesting operations must be **displayed 200 metres either side** of all road approaches leading to areas where harvesting operations are in progress.

Truck warning signs must be placed on Pointer Gap & Martins Ridge road at the junction of the Princes Highway to warn motorists of logging traffic. Truck entering signs must be placed 200 metres either side of the junction of feeder roads & Princes Highway to warn motorists of emerging log trucks.

## 1.3 Supervision of 'operator in training'

All new operators entering the work site must be inducted by the reading of the Harvesting Plan and the Site Safety Plan and hold all relevant licences and accreditations. No person is permitted to commence work unless they have been adequately trained and accredited. The training must give instruction in the performance of the work, instruct as to any dangers associated with that work and in any safety precautions which ought to be taken. Field and bush supervisors must ensure that an employer does not permit an untrained employee to operate, without competent supervision, any power driven tool, machine or equipment.

#### 1.4 Site visitors

#### (1) Authorised

i). All <u>authorised visitors</u> to active timber harvesting/roading operations must wear the following personal protection equipment:

- an approved safety helmet
- suitable heavy duty footwear, with firm ankle support and non-slip soles
- approved high visibility clothing
- eye and ear protection if appropriate

ii). Immediately upon arrival at an active timber harvesting/roading operation, visitors must report to the Supervising Forest Officer (SFO) or bush supervisor who will determine points from which operations can be safely viewed.

iii). The following minimum safety distances must be observed while operations are active:

- Manual tree felling at least 2 tree lengths
- Log dump operations 12 metres from the working area (edge of dump perimeter)
- Mechanical harvesting 2 tree lengths and when the driver is advised
- Active snig track at least 2 tree lengths
- Road & crossing maintenance &/or construction at least 2 tree lengths.

#### (2) Unauthorised

i) All <u>unauthorised visitors</u> to active timber harvesting/roading operations must not approach within 100 metres of a person operating timber haulage or harvesting equipment (clause 67(1)(a)) or interfere with such equipment (clause 67(1)(b)) Forestry Regulations 2004. In addition unauthorised visitors must wear the personal protection equipment outlined in 5.4(1)(i) above.

ii) Failure to observe the above guidelines will result in the following procedure:

- All operations to cease immediately
- Unauthorised visitors to be advised that they are in contravention of clause 67(1)(a) or 67(1)(b) of Forestry Regulations 2004 and to leave the site or move outside the 100 metre restricted area immediately.
- Notify the Batemans Bay Forests NSW Office of unauthorised visitors.

#### 1.5. Emergency Plan Information

1) Mobile phone reception on work site:

Next G: Good Digital: Good Nearest reliable reception: Martins Ridge road & top 1101/1 road.

2) Radio coverage from work site:

State Forest Radio: Channel No: 236/Budawang 239/Plumwood 237/Lowden 238Call to: Batemans Bay Call sign from: your name

Contractor/operators radio: Channel No: UHF radio repeaters Milton 7, Ulladulla 1, Emergency channel 5, Truckies channel 40

#### 3) Work site location:

1:100,000 map sheet: Ulladulla 8927

Lat/Long for GPS: **S 35° 15'01**" **E 150°21'44**"

1:25,000 map sheet: Milton/Tianjara Grid reference: (centre 1101 & 1104)AMG 260000 E 6096000 N

State Forest name: McDonald Nearest named State forest road: Martins Ridge road

Nearest town or named locality: Fishermans Paradise Local Government Area: Shoalhaven

Nearest shire road/junction: Princes Highway/Pointers Gap road

4) Emergency meeting point for ambulance:

1:100,000 map sheet: Ulladulla 8927

 1.Lat/Long for GPS:
 S 35° 15'50"
 E 150°22'14"
 2.Lat/Long for

 GPS:
 S 35° 14'00"
 E 150°26'00"
 2.Lat/Long for

1:25,000 map sheet: **Milton/Tianjara** Grid reference: 1.AMG 260800 E 6094900 N 2. AMG 265500 E 6099500 N

Description: 1.Intersection of Pointers Gap road and 1101/1 road 2. Under Powerlines on Martins Ridge road.

#### 5) Closest helicopter landing site:

Description: 1. Pointer Mountain – 1km SE Cpt 1101 2. Murrays Training track – opposite Martins Ridge road Grid reference: 1. AMG 261400 E 6094100 N 2. AMG 266800 E 6099300

1:100,000 map sheet: Ulladulla 8927

 1.Lat/Long for GPS:
 S 35° 16'04"
 E 150°22'37"
 2.Lat/Long for

 GPS:
 S 35° 14'00"
 E 150°27'00"
 2.Lat/Long for

6) Directions to navigate from nearest ambulance station to meeting point:

Nearest ambulance station: Ulladulla

Directions: **1. North along Princes Highway for approximately 8kms, turn left into Porters** road/Pointers Gap road and travel 5kms to 1101/1 road intersection. 2. North along Princes Highway for approximately 17kms, turn left into Martins Ridge road and travel 1kms to powerlines.

#### 7) Procedure to obtain ambulance assistance:

Telephone 000 Or

**Radio** Batemans Bay forestry office on **channel 236** & say ' this is <name>, **Emergency Call**, **Emergency Call**, **Over'.** When the office responds, provide brief details of the situation and ask for the office to relay a "000" call.

"000" Operator Question	Response
1. Police, Fire, Ambulance?	NSW Ambulance, Wollongong Operations Centre
2. Suburb?	McDonald State Forest
	Nearest town/locality is <b>Fishermans Paradise</b>
	Nearest ambulance station is Ulladulla
3. Address?	Pointers Gap/Martins Ridge Road
4. Nearest Road junction/Cross street?	Princes Highway
5. Local Government Area?	Shoalhaven
6. Nature of the problem?	Brief statement of the nature of the accident, number and condition of casualties.
7. Where is the accident?	repeat 3, 4, 5 and 6 above
	Grid Reference AMG 2 <b>600</b> 00 E 60 <b>960</b> 00 N, 1:100,000 map sheet <b>Ulladulla 8927</b> . Lat/long <b>S 35º 15'01" E 150°21'44"</b>
	1. North along Princes Highway for approximately 8kms, turn left into Porters road/Pointers Gap road and travel 5kms to 1101/1 road intersection. 2. North along Princes Highway for approximately 17kms, turn left into Martins Ridge road and travel 1kms to powerlines. Nominate UHF channel.
8. Injuries?	Detailed information about the condition of the casualty
9. Call Back Number	Mobile phone no. if available.
	Forests NSW Batemans Bay office - 4472 6211
10. Name of reporter	Your name

The information provided to the "000" operator will be in the following sequence:

Region	Southern Region
Management Area	Nowra
State Forest	McDonald
Compartment	1101 & 1104
Harvest Plan Job Number	2999
Pricing Zone	Nowra

## SITE SPECIFIC HARVESTING PLAN

Areas

Compartment	1101	1104
Event ID	13054	13055
Gross Area (ha)	268	158
Net Planned Area (ha)	120(45%)	97(61%)

(Refer to Operational Map)

1a. Area Identification

This plan covers the silviculture treatment of the native forest within the net planned area of compartment 1101 & 1104 by the use of commercial harvesting and possibly non commercial tree culling & post harvest burning.

The actual area harvested or treated may be less due to unmapped exclusions, small scale variations in forest condition and commercial viability. Analysis of previously harvested compartments has estimated the reduction of the Net Planned Area due to unmapped exclusions alone to be in the order of 28% across the Southern Region.

#### 2. Description of Proposal

## 2.1 Harvesting of native forest

Harvesting of native forest, using Single Tree Selection Silviculture subject to the Southern Region IFOA requirements. The primary product of the harvesting is high quality large sawlogs (quota logs), small high quality sawlogs, veneer logs, girders, poles & piles where timber markets are available. Parts of felled logs that do not meet high quality log specifications are segregated and graded into other classifications such as salvage sawlogs, pulp logs & miscellaneous timbers e.g. split & round posts, firewood, mining timbers & craftwood. The availability of miscellaneous timbers depends mainly on forest types, log defectiveness & market conditions at the time of harvesting.

#### 2.2 Clause 22 (IFOA) Consideration

All relevant factors have been reviewed taking into account the volume and monetary value of each forest product to supply Term Agreement Holders. The harvesting operation also complies with Clause 22 of the IFOA.

Forest management should aim to improve the long-term timber productivity by appropriate harvesting and silvicultural practices whilst addressing all the necessary environmental issues under the Environment Protection Licence (EPL) (when applicable), the Threatened Species Licence (TSL) and the Fisheries Licence (FL).

## 2.3 Roadworks

Maintenance and upgrade to the existing road network. Roading details are contained in Appendix 2.

## 2.4 Post harvesting burning

Post harvesting burning to reduce fuel loads and create suitable seedbeds will be carried out under prescribed conditions. Post-harvest burning details are contained in Appendix 1.

#### 2.5 Silviculture Investment

Following harvesting, silvicultural investment may be required on the harvested area to ensure regeneration, thin existing regeneration to desirable spacings or release regeneration from suppression of tree canopy competition.

#### 3. Forest Condition and Silviculture

#### 3.1 Forest History and Condition

The compartments have a relatively long history of harvesting treatments. Four separate logging events have been recorded within the compartments. The earliest event occurred in 1955, primarily in compartment 1101, however boarded stumps can be found in compartment 1104 as well. A sleeper operation occurred in compartment 1104 in 1976, while a sawlog operation in 1982 produced 1565m<sup>3</sup> of material. More recently 4191m<sup>3</sup> & 2055m<sup>3</sup> of sawlogs were extracted from compartments 1101 & 1104 respectively.

There is evidence of some Timber Stand Improvement (TSI) in the form of ringbarking throughout the compartments, most probably around the 1970's.

Records indicate a wildfire event in 1968, with further hazard reduction burning in 1976, 1979/81 and post logging burning in 1994.

Compartment	No. of Samples	BA Average (m²/ha)	BA Range (m <sup>2</sup> /ha)
1101	6	30	20-42
1104	10	36	28-44

RN17 Forest Type	Type Description	Gross Area (ha)
12	Coachwood-Sassafras	35
49	Turpentine	226
66	Grey Ironbark/Stringybark	87
116	Sydney Peppermint/Bloodwood/Turpentine	15
121	Blueleaved Stringybark	6
126	Stringybark/Bloodwood	52
154	Brown Barrel	5

#### 3.2 Silviculture Prescription

The stands are medium to high quality, dependent on a dry or moist aspect influenced by the shelter under the escarpment. Stand structure is characterised by 3 main disturbances in 1955, 1982 & 1994. Remnant overmature/senscent trees dominate stand structure in clumps with codominant & subdominant cohorts more prevalent in areas with greater past disturbance. Good quality advanced regrowth pole sized trees are scattered throughout.

The area of each silvicultural treatment must be mapped and recorded in the Post logging information section of this plan.

## 3.2.1 Single Tree Selection

Forest stands of mixed age cover 100% of the net planned area (217ha) and will be harvested under a single tree selection (STS) regime with the objective of removing approx 35% of mature trees and defective trees containing a sawlog, while minimising damage to young regenerating stems, and creating canopy openings where appropriate for regeneration.

It is envisaged that the next harvesting operation in this compartment would be in approximately 20 years time.

The STS tract for IFOA purposes includes all parts of the net planned area in compartment 1101 & 1104 as indicated on the Operational Map.

Single tree selection (STS) must remove no more than 45% of the basal area (BA), nor more than 50% of the canopy while retaining a minimum BA of 10m<sup>2</sup> within the tract. High volume areas (ie: areas coloured bright yellow on the Operational Map) may require careful tree marking to ensure the minimum BA is retained.

Following harvesting, the culling of trees may be considered and will have the primary aim of promoting regeneration by enhancing gaps created in harvesting.. The combined effect of the harvesting and tree culling will remain within provisions of the Southern Region IFOA requirements.

Trees available for culling will exhibit one or more of the following characteristics, generally in order of priority:

- <u>Significant defect</u> rendering the bole ineffective for sawlog production, either
  - Externally such as stem malformation, excessive lower limbs, spiral grain, bumps; or
  - Internally with symptoms such as hollows, deep scars, bleeding
- <u>Unacceptable site occupancy</u>, such as large crown diameter, high dominance, especially on canopy gap edges
- <u>Trees suppressing subdominant trees</u> with growth potential
- <u>Trees suppressing co-dominant trees</u> with higher potential (thinning)
- <u>Unmerchantable species</u> to a level reflecting pre disturbance proportions.

## AND

- <u>Have not been retained</u> for environment protection or future harvest reasons
- <u>Will not exceed prescriptive limits</u>

Artificial regeneration or rehabilitation of forest may be undertaken where proved necessary and as resources permit.

### 3.3 Silviculture Prescription – Resource Units

Current status and basic silviculture guidelines for the STS tract for each Resource Unit are as follows:

## Resource Unit 2 of Compartment 1101 & Resource Unit 1 of Compartment 1104:

<u>Structure</u>: Remnant mature to overmature senscing overstorey within a two aged codominant & subdominant stand, generally fully stocked. Last logged in 1994. Advanced growth composition reflects original canopy. Clumps of mature to overmature trees associated with gully lines and/or steep inaccessible terrain. Stand contains commercially mature trees.

<u>Species</u>: Dominated by Turpentine with scattered Grey Ironbark.

<u>Condition</u>: Good to very good. Remnant overstorey is generally of poor timber condition; advanced growth and regrowth is generally very good. Scattered mature trees with several axe marks are likely to cut sawlogs.

<u>Site Height</u>: 40-45m. Site productivity –high-excellent.

<u>Understorey</u>: Mesic understorey (native grasses, litter/humus, logs & limbs, ferns, Acacia's, Pomaderris(Dogwood), Rhodamnia, Wattle, Blackwood & vines).

<u>Silvicultural Objectives</u>: Whilst protecting advanced growth and regrowth patches, remove all defective trees as timber markets and tree removal limits allow, create canopy openings to promote regeneration and disturb soil seedbed areas, release existing regrowth from overhead competition.

Practice: Aim to use STS – medium to Heavy depending on stand structure.

#### Resource Unit 1 of Compartment 1101:

<u>Structure</u>: Remnant overmature senscing overstorey with large diameter mature codominant & subdominant component. Site fully occupied. Last logged in 1955.

Species: Dominated by Turpentine.

<u>Condition</u>: Good to very good. Remnant overstorey is generally of poor timber condition; mature & advanced growth is generally very good.

<u>Site Height</u>: 40-45m. Site productivity –high-excellent.

<u>Understorey</u>: Mesic understorey (native grasses, litter/humus, logs & limbs, ferns, Acacia's, Pomaderris(Dogwood), Rhodamnia, Wattle, Blackwood & vines).

<u>Silvicultural Objectives</u>: Whilst protecting advanced growth, remove all defective trees as timber markets and tree removal limits allow, create canopy openings to promote regeneration and disturb soil seedbed areas, to reset site for next tree crop. Release retained growing stock from overhead competition.

<u>Practice</u>: Aim to use STS Heavy throughout. Topography may restrict success, however ever effort should be made to maximise utilisation.

#### Resource Unit 2 of Compartment 1104:

<u>Structure</u>: The predominant cohorts consists of regrowth and/or early mature trees. Scattered overmature remnant overstory. Site fully occupied. Last logged in 1982. Clumps of mature to overmature trees associated with gully lines and/or steep inaccessible terrain. Stand contains commercially mature trees.

Species: Dominated by Turpentine, Grey Ironbark with patches of Stringybark-Bloodwood.

<u>Condition</u>: Good to very good. Remnant overstorey is generally of poor timber condition; advanced growth and regrowth is generally very good. Scattered mature trees with several axe marks are likely to cut sawlogs.

Site Height: 35-40m. Site productivity –good - high.

<u>Understorey</u>: Mesic understorey (native grasses, litter/humus, logs & limbs, ferns, Acacia's, Pomaderris(Dogwood), Rhodamnia, Wattle, Blackwood & vines).

<u>Silvicultural Objectives</u>: Whilst protecting advanced growth and regrowth patches, remove all defective trees as timber markets and tree removal limits allow, create canopy openings to promote regeneration and disturb soil seedbed areas, release existing regrowth from overhead competition.

<u>Practice</u>: Aim to use STS – medium in advanced growth/pole sized stands and Heavy in mature dominant stands.

#### Resource Unit 3 of Compartments 1101 & 1104:

<u>Structure</u>: Clumps of mature-overmature trees in a two aged forest, generally fully stocked. Advanced growth composition reflects original canopy. Some canopy openings in poorer forest types, however site generally fully occupied. Last logged in 1994. Stands of mature to overmature trees associated with gully lines and/or steep inaccessible terrain. Stand contains commercially mature trees.

<u>Species</u>: Dominated by, Grey Ironbark, Stringybark-Bloodwood, Turpentine and Blueleaved Stringybark

<u>Condition</u>: Fair to Good. Remnant overstorey is generally of poor timber condition, especially in Stringybark & Bloodwood types. Advanced growth and regrowth Ironbark & Turpentine is generally very good. Scattered mature trees with several axe marks are likely to cut sawlogs.

Site Height: 35m. Site productivity – moderate to good.

<u>Understorey</u>: Generally a drier understorey (native grasses, litter, logs & limbs, Acacia's, Pomaderris(Dogwood) & Wattle) with a mesic element closer to gully lines.

<u>Silvicultural Objectives</u>: Whilst protecting advanced growth and regrowth patches, remove all defective trees as timber markets and tree removal limits allow, create canopy openings to promote regeneration and disturb soil seedbed areas, release existing regrowth from overhead competition.

Practice: Aim to use STS Heavy to reset the stand.

#### Resource Unit 4 of Compartments 1101:

<u>Structure</u>: Mature-overmature dominant stand, site fully occupied. Advanced growth composition reflects original canopy. Last major disturbance likely to be in 1955.

<u>Species</u>: Dominated by Stringybark-Bloodwood, Blueleaved Stringybark with Turpentine closer to gully lines.

<u>Condition</u>: Poor to Fair depending on forest type. Remnant overstorey is generally of poor timber condition, especially in Stringybark & Bloodwood types. Advanced growth and regrowth Ironbark & Turpentine is reasonable.

Site Height: 30 -35m. Site productivity – moderate.

<u>Understorey</u>: Generally a drier understorey (native grasses, litter, logs & limbs, Acacia's, Pomaderris(Dogwood) & Wattle) with a mesic element closer to gully lines.

<u>Silvicultural Objectives</u>: Exclude from harvesting due to FMZ 3A classification.

Practice: Nil.

#### 4. Legal Conditions

In 2001, the Commonwealth and NSW Governments signed a Southern Regional Forest Agreement which, among other things, allows for the supply of timber for 20 years from public lands under the following NSW legislation:

- Forestry Act 1916, and
- Forestry & National Park Estate Act 1998

The latter Act provides for the Southern Forest Agreement and Southern Integrated Forest Operations Approval (IFOA), both approved by NSW Government Ministers in May 2002. This harvest plan is issued under the authority provided within the IFOA.

The IFOA also contains three licences issued under:

- Section 55 of the Protection of the Environment Act 1997 (EPL)
- Threatened Species Conservation Act 1995 (TSL).
- Section 220ZW of the Fisheries Management Act 1994 (FL).

**Note:** The EPL will not apply unless Forests NSW notifies the IFOA regulator(s) that it will apply. When the EPL does not apply to this plan, the conditions of the EPL will apply, except felling of trees within the protection zone of unmapped drainage lines will be allowed.

This harvest plan will be managed in the field under:

• Licences issued under the Forestry Act (1916)

• Forest Practices Code part 2 (Timber Harvesting in Native Forests - 1999) and part 4 (Forest Roads and Fire Trails - 1999)

Harvesting operations must comply with all of the above Licences (where applicable) and the Code.

Further information is available from <u>www.racac.nsw.gov.au</u> and <u>www.rfa.gov.au</u> .

#### 5. Special Requirements

#### 5.1 Non-harvest areas

The Operational Map indicates the non-harvest areas in the compartments, as detailed in the legend.

Harvesting disturbance is not permitted in non-harvest areas unless authorised by the Regional Manager.

#### 5.2 Dust, noise and school bus routes

**Dust and noise** – Where log haulage routes pass close to rural housing along natural surface/gravel roads dust and noise must be minimised to the greatest extent practicable. Trucks should reduce speed, restrict use to daylight hours and minimise the use of engine brakes through these areas.

**School bus route** - Pointers Gap & Martins Ridge roads are used by parents to ferry children to school buses between the hours of 7:30am to 8:30 am and 3:30pm to 4:30pm. On weekdays, to the greatest extent practicable, log haulage should avoid school bus times on the above roads. RTA posted road speed limits must be adhered to at all times.

#### 5.3 Occupation Permits

#### Apiary

4 apiary sites provided in the table below are located within the planning unit. The contact phone numbers of permittees are available from the Batemans Bay office.

Table 5.3a.

Name	Boundary Location				
	Dumps 1, 2, 4-14				
	Dump 15				
	Dump 3				

- The SFO must provide the apiary permittees with at least two weeks advance notice when bee boxes need to be removed or relocated.
- Permanent apiary set down sites are located between dumps 1 & 2 (see Operational Map), must be levelled and free of debris at the completion of logging.
- Permanent sites must not be ripped.

#### 5.4 Rocky Terrain

Rocky terrain may be encountered within the net planned area.

Construction of side cut snig tracks should be avoided in areas of rocky terrain.

Where construction of side cut snig tracks in rocky terrain is unavoidable the location of the side cut tracks must be approved by the SFO prior to construction.

## 5.5 National Parks

Morton National Park forms the western boundary of the planning units. A steep escarpment forms the boundary for the most part with thick areas of rainforest forming the remainder.

- No harvest disturbance is permitted within National Park.
- Access roads must be maintained free of debris and in a trafficable state.

#### 6. Forest Management Zoning and Approvals

#### 6.1 Forest Management Zones

The compartments includes the following FMZs:

**FMZ 3A** – This zone is located north west of dump 2 on 1101/1 road. (see Operational Map). This zone is comprised of wildlife and cultural heritage values. Specified harvesting activities must be excluded from these areas, except under certain circumstances, (Refer to section 8.3 of this Plan).

#### FMZ 3B (Modified prescriptions) - This zone comprises:

 Visual protection zone. Harvesting is permitted within these zones with modified or special conditions. Harvesting should aim to minimise the visual effects of logging within 50 metres either side of Pointers Gap road.

**FMZ 4 (General Management)** – The yellow area is available for harvesting and other silviculture activities (refer to the Operational Map).

**FMZ 7 (Non forestry use)** – This zone is comprised of an underground water pipeline (refer to the Operational Map) and care should be taken not to disturb ground cover, dig or use heavy machinery over the pipeline as marked the field. (Refer to section 8.3 of this Plan).

## 6.2 IFOA Required Approval of Forestry Activities

All existing snig tracks through areas of rainforest are approved for use. Forestry Operations within the plan area must minimise impacts to the protection zones and meet the requirements of the EPL and General Protection Zones in part 8.3 of this Plan.

NOTE: All areas of Rainforest and Protection Zones require prior Regional Manager (&/or Department of Environment & Conservation) approval before forest harvesting related activities (eg: road or snig track construction) can be undertaken. It is the responsibility of the SFO to identify any protection zones which will need to be crossed during harvesting. The SFO should then contact the Planning Forester to obtain the necessary approval.

#### 7. Cultural Heritage

**Cultural Heritage** - There are Cultural Heritage sites within the compartments. All relevant representatives have been consulted &/or inspected compartments 1101 & 1104. Due to the confidentiality of the Cultural Heritage sites a Cultural Heritage site map will only be attached to the specific copies of the plan. All 10 metre radius exclusion buffers are to be marked in the field as **hard exclusion zones (i.e. pink & yellow tape)** where logging and/or road works are scheduled to be undertaken. It has been agreed that any Cultural Heritage sites discovered during road construction and harvesting will be reported to the Supervising Forester who may then consult with relevant external representatives. Vehicles may continue to use roads unless otherwise advised.

## 8. Flora and Fauna General Conditions

## 8.1 Pre-harvesting searches

During the pre-harvest mark up the SFO must search for and record threatened species habitat features consistent with Conditions 5.2 and 9.6 of the TSL. These include nests, roosts and camps; dens and latrines; scats and scratches; crushed cones; sap feed trees; bat roosts; burrows; soaks and seepage's; threatened flora and protected native plant species likely to occur within the compartment.

Searches for threatened species features must be conducted within that portion of the net planned area where harvesting will occur, and within 50 metres outside this area (eg adjacent compartment, National Park etc) (condition 5.2 of the TSL).

Where any of these features are found, the feature must be recorded, the Harvesting Plan (including the Operational Map) must be amended accordingly and the appropriate Condition applied.

The results of the database search (recent reliable records within 5km of the compartment) and preharvest surveys (threatened flora and fauna traverse, spotlighting, nocturnal callback, riparian frog, non-riparian frog, microchiropteran bats and diurnal bird surveys) resulted in the following consideration of flora & fauna issues:

General prescriptions: Sooty Owl (*Tyto tenebricosa*) (Desktop Review), Gang Gang Cockatoo (*Callocephalon fimbriatum*) (Desktop Review), Square-tailed Kite (*Lophoictinia isura*) (Desktop Review), Australasian Bittern (*Botaurus poiciloptilus*) (Desktop Review), Grey-headed Flying Fox (*Pteropus poliocephalus*) (Desktop Review).

Species specific prescriptions: Powerful Owl (Ninox strenua) (Desktop Review).

Flora: Budawangia gnidoides (Desktop Review), Genoplesium vernale (Desktop Review)

#### Site specific prescriptions: Nil.

All known flora and fauna information has been considered by the Regional Ecologist in consultation with the Forest Planner in applying general and site specific prescriptions for the protection of the above species. It is acknowledged that none of the 8 species listed above were recorded during preharvest surveys and appropriate prescriptions have been applied. All species are adequately protected under their relevant IFOA prescriptions and do not require additional measures.

#### 8.2 Tree Retention

**Hollow bearing trees (Regrowth zone):** See condition 5.6c of the TSL. A minimum of ten hollowbearing trees must be retained per two hectares of net harvesting area. Where this density is not available then those hollow-bearing trees present within the net harvesting area must be retained. Retained trees must be selected from the trees with the largest diameter and must be live trees with good crown development, minimal butt damage and represent the range of hollowing-bearing species that occur in the area.

**Recruitment trees:** See condition 5.6d of the TSL. For each hollow-bearing tree retained, one recruitment tree must be retained. Recruitment trees must show potential for developing into hollow-bearing trees, have good crown development, should have minimal butt damage, should not be suppressed, must be mature/late mature where available, and represent the range of species in the area.

**Stag Retention:** See condition 5.6e of the TSL. Where more than ten stags per two hectares occur in the net logging area, a minimum of ten stags must be retained per two hectares of net logging area <u>where it is safe to do so</u>. If there are less then ten stags per two hectares, then all stags should be retained <u>where it is safe to do so</u>. (Marking "stags" is not a requirement)

**Significant Food Resources:** See condition 5.6f of the TSL. *Allocasuarina* trees with >30 crushed cones must be retained, damage must be minimised to stands where *Allocasuarina* species dominate the canopy, sub-canopy or understorey. At least six eucalypt feed trees must be retained in every two hectares of net logging area where they occur (may count H/R/Feed trees). Yellow-bellied Glider (YBG)

sap feed trees must be retained and damage to flowering or fruiting banksias and *Xanthorrhoea* species should be avoided.

**Protection of retained trees:** See condition 5.6g of the TSL. Damage to retained trees must be minimised to the greatest extent practicable. During harvesting operations, the potential for damage to those trees must be minimised by utilising techniques of directional felling. Logging debris must not, to the greatest extent practicable, be allowed to accumulate within 5m of a retained hollow-bearing tree, recruitment tree, stag, *Allocasuarina* with more than 30 crushed cones beneath, eucalypt feed tree, or YBG sap feed tree. Logging debris within a five metre radius of retained trees must be removed or flattened to a height of less than one metre. Disturbance to ground and understorey must be minimised to the greatest extent practicable within this five metre radius. H and R trees must not be used as bumper trees during harvesting operations. Retained trees must be marked for retention (see condition 5.6g(iii)of the TSL).

#### 8.3 General Protection Zones

General exclusions as listed below are shown on the Operational Map.

#### Table 1

Feature/Condition	TSL cond'n	Occurs within Planning Unit
High Conservation Value Old Growth	5.3	No
Rainforest	5.4	Yes/ Warm Temperate
Rare Non commercial Forest Types	5.5	No
Riparian Protection Zones	5.7	Yes
Ridge & Headwater Habitat	5.8	Yes
Wetlands	5.9	No
Heath and Scrub	5.10	No
Rocky Outcrops and Cliffs	5.11	No

- All rainforest encountered in the field (Warm Temperate, Cool Temperate and Depauperate (Dry) as described in Research Note 17) is to be excluded from harvest disturbance. Warm Temperate and Cool Temperate rainforest must have an additional 20 metre wide exclusion zone (refer to Table 2 below)
- The on ground identification and field marking of rainforest and exclusion zones to be established around Warm Temperate and Cool Temperate rainforest must be carried out before or during prelogging mark-up.
- The location of all rainforest and exclusion zones identified in the field must be shown on a copy of the harvesting plan Operational Map and filed in the compartment history.
- The Operational Map is to be used as a guide to field identification only. It indicates known areas of rainforest together with exclusion zones as might be proven in the field to be required.

#### **Operational Conditions for Protection Zones**

Operational conditions applying to protection zones are summarised below. **Table 2** 

Protection Feature	Can Remove accidentally felled logs if at least one HQ log (1)	Groundcover Rehab/Removal Rules	Machinery entry 5m to fell HQ log in NHA away from protection zone (2)	2/200 Rule (3)	6/200 Rule (4)	Use existing road/snig Track	<b>IFOA Licence Conditions</b>	TSL Licence Condition
Heath and Scrub	X	X	X	Х	X	Х	Х	5.10
Wetlands & 20/40m exclusion zone	Х	X	X	Х	Х	Х	Х	59
Rainforest (Warm/Cool Temperate)	Х	X	X	Х	X			5.4
Rainforest 20m exclusion zone			X	$\checkmark$	Х			5.4
Rainforest (Dry)			X		Χ			5.4
Bird Nest and Roost sites			$\checkmark$	Х			Х	5.13
Owl Landscape Habitat			$\checkmark$	Х				6.4.2
FMZ 2, 3A		X	X	Х	X			
FMZ 7		X	4	Х	Х		X	
Ridge & Headwater Habitat			$\checkmark$	Х				5.8
General Bird Nest and Roost			$\checkmark$	Х			Х	5.13
Rocky Outcrops				Х		Х	Х	5.11
Cultural Heritage Sites			X	Х	Х		Х	
Flora -100% of individuals 10m +10m buffer			$\checkmark$	Х			Х	6.16

Licence conditions are not breached where a tree is accidentally felled into any Protection zones.

 $\sqrt{-Condition}$  applies

X – Condition does not apply.

## (1) Tree Removal Rules

An accidentally felled tree may be removed, but only if the tree contains a high quality log. The crown must be cut off from the trunk and left where it has fallen, except where the whole of the tree is lifted out of, or lifted and moved within, the zone using a mechanical harvester; and in removing the tree/log any disturbance to the ground and soil must be minimised.

Harvesting machinery that has entered the protection zone for the purpose of felling a tree within the net logging area may also be used to remove a tree that has been felled into the protection zone. However, the wheels or the tracks of the harvesting machinery may not (to any significant extent) be repositioned or moved solely for the purpose of removing the tree felled into the protection zone.

## (2) Machinery entry (5m) rules

Harvesting machinery is permitted to operate in a protection zone for the purposes of felling a tree within the net logging area that contains a high quality log where:

- the technique of directional felling could not be used to fell the tree so that it falls outside the protection zone;
- the only practicable method of felling is to enter the protection zone and the tree can be felled away from the protection zone;
- the wheels or tracks of harvesting machinery remain wholly within 5 metres of the boundary of the protection;
- the use of the harvesting machinery only involves the use of walkover techniques and minimal ground disturbance

## (3) 2/200 Rule (Rainforest Only)

The felling of trees across the boundary of the <u>Rainforest exclusion zone (20 metres)</u> is prohibited except where the boundary is greater than 200 metres, in which case no more than two (2) trees

containing high quality logs are felled across the boundary in any 200 metre length of the boundary of the exclusion zone, whatever 200 metre length of boundary is considered.

The exclusion zone is not breached where a tree is accidentally felled into the exclusion zone.

An accidentally felled tree may be removed from the zone, but only if the tree contains a high quality log. The trees do not count toward the 2/200 rule.

Trees fallen under 2/200 rule must be felled in such a way so as to avoid damage to trees growing in the exclusion zone.

#### No part of the tree felled into the Rainforest can be removed.

## (4) 6/200 Rule

The felling of trees across the boundary of a protection zone is prohibited except where the boundary is greater than 200 metres, in which case no more than six (6) trees containing high quality logs are felled across the boundary in any 200 metre length of the boundary of protection zone, whatever 200 metre length of boundary is considered.

The protection zone is not breached where a tree is accidentally felled into a protection zone. An accidentally felled tree may be removed from the zone, but only if the tree contains a high quality log. The trees do not count toward the 6/200 rule.

Trees fallen under 6/200 rule must be felled in such a way so as to avoid damage to trees growing in the protection zone.

#### Protection Zones – General Conditions

A snig track (including a snig track that was in existence before the commencement of this approval) within a threatened species exclusion zone or an exclusion zone in TSL condition 5.8 ("Ridge and Headwater Habitat") or 8(b) ("General survey requirements") that has become re-vegetated may be re-opened (by clearing, scraping or treating regrowth), but only if all of the requirements set out in conditions TSL 5.1D (e)-(h) are met.

Where a snig track within a threatened species exclusion zone or an exclusion zone referred to in TSL condition 5.8 ("Ridge and Headwater Habitat") or 8(b) ("General survey requirements") has become revegetated, but none of the trees growing within the zone on the snig track have a DBHOB of 20cm or more, the snig track may be brushed-up, provided TSL conditions 6.1D (i)–(l) are met.

A road and snig track may be constructed and used in the above protection zones only with the prior written approval of the Regional Manager, or prior written approval of the Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC), if permitted under the TSL. The SFO must notify the Supervising Forester of the need for any roads/tracks crossing areas.

Feature	Records in 1101 & 1104	Licence conditions under the Threatened Species Conservation Act	Prescription Summary
Threatened Frog General Protection Measures	No	5.12	10m exclusion on all dams
Bird Nest and Roost Site Protection	No	5.13	Standard exclusion zones exist around identified nest and roost sites
Tree Bat Roost Protection	No	5.14.1	Likely roost trees must be inspected prior to harvesting operations approaching within 100m of such trees

#### 8.4 General Threatened Flora and Fauna Prescriptions

Feature	Records in 1101 & 1104	Licence conditions under the Threatened Species Conservation Act	Prescription Summary
Subterranean Roost Protection	No	5.14.2	Caves, overhangs, tunnels and mineshafts >3m deep must be inspected prior to harvesting operations approaching within 100m. Exclusion buffers of 10, 50 & 100 meters apply.
Protection of flying-fox Camps	No	5.14.4	Specified forestry activities must be excluded from the full extent of the camp.
Burning	Net planned area	5.16	Hazard reduction must reflect the ecological requirements of any threatened species, or their habitat, known or likely to occur in the area.
Ground Habitat Protection	Net planned area	5.17	Protect, to the greatest extent practicable, ground habitat from specified forestry activities

## 9. Flora and Fauna Species-specific Conditions

Contractors and supervisory staff must immediately report any sightings of Schedule 1 and 2 species to the Supervising Forester. The Harvesting Plan must be amended to include additional prescriptions if necessary.

The following species have been recorded within or nearby the area and the associated prescriptions must be implemented:

Threatened species and habitat features within trigger distance	Records in 1101 & 1104	Licence conditions under the Threatened Species Conservation Act	Prescription Summary
<b>Powerful Owl</b> Ninox strenua,.	No	6.4	Exclusion zones of 50m and 30m respectively for nest and roost sites. Landscape based approach applied.
Genoplesium.vemalis Budawangia gnidoides	No	6.16.2	A 10 metre radius exclusion zone must be implemented around all individuals A additional 10 metre width buffer zone must be implemented around all exclusion zones. (Limited operations ie. Snigging & selective tree removal may be conducted within the buffer zone)

### 10. Soils and Water

Feature	Compartments 1101 & 1104	
Inherent hazard level	2 (Cpt 1104) & 3 (Cpt 1101)	
Dispersible Soils	No	
Mass Movement	Νο	
Seasonality restrictions	No (Cpt 1104), Yes (Cpt 1101) – no logging over 20 degrees between 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec to 30 <sup>th</sup> April	

## 10.1 Slope limits (Inherent Hazard Level 4)

Maximum slope for harvesting	30 degrees(i)
Maximum grade for snig track construction	25 degrees(ii)

- (i) Harvesting on slopes over 30° (unmapped inherent hazard level 4) may occur consistent with Condition 3, Schedule 4A of the Environment Protection Licence.
- (ii) The grade of snig tracks may only exceed 25 degrees to:
  - negotiate poorly drained land, rock outcrops or unstable soils;or
  - to take advantage of favourable terrain, such as to reach a geologically stable bench or saddle; or
  - to take advantage of soil which is more suitable for snig track construction and drainage. (NB: Such instances must be documented in the SFO Notes section of this plan, Condition 41 of Schedule 4A of the EPL)

## 11. Drainage features

#### 11.1 Prescribed streams

There are no prescribed streams in the compartments.

#### 11.2 Drainage feature protection

Filter strips (EPL), Protection Zones (EPL), Operational Zones (EPL), Protection Zones -hard (TSL) and Protection Zones -soft (TSL) must be retained along all drainage lines, prescribed streams and watercourses within the net planned area of the compartments at minimum widths as stated in the Table below.

Table 1: Minimum filter strip, protection zone and operational zone widths for mapped and unmapped drainage lines, prescribed streams and watercourses in native forests in Inherent Hazard Level 1 & 2 (metres – measured along the ground surface)

Stream Order	EPL Filter Strip TSL Protection (hard)	EPL Protection Zone TSL Protection* (soft)	EPL Operational Zone
Unmapped	5	5#	10
1st order	5	5*	10
2nd order	5	15*	10
3 <sup>rd</sup> order	5	25*	10
4 <sup>th</sup> order or greater	5	45*	10

**NOTE:** # In the event that Forests NSW chooses to harvest this area without EPL coverage, all EPL conditions continue to apply **except** for the rule applying to the cutting of trees from within the protection zone of the **unmapped drainage lines**. In this case, trees within protection zones of unmapped drainage lines may be felled and removed.

 Table 1a: Minimum filter strip, protection zone and operational zone widths for mapped and unmapped drainage lines, prescribed streams and watercourses in native forests in Inherent Hazard Level 3 (metres – measured along the ground surface)

Stream Order	EPL Filter Strip	EPL Operational Zone
Unmapped	10	10
1st order	10	10
2nd order	20	10
3 <sup>rd</sup> order	30	10
4 <sup>th</sup> order or greater	50	10

Note: TSL Protection zones (hard & soft) are contained within the EPL Filter strip, which have the greater level of protection.

Protection Feature	Can Remove accidentally felled logs if at least one HQ log	Groundcover Rehab/Removal Rules	Machinery entry 5m to fell HQ log in NHA away from protection zone	Trees can be felled into zone if at least one HQ log	Use existing road/snig track	IFOA Licence Conditions (Schedule 6 Road/snig track construction)	EPL Condition	TSL Licence Condition
Filter Strip (EPL)			Х	Х		$\checkmark$	17-20	Х
Protection zone (hard) TSL			X	X			Х	5.7
Protection zone (soft) EPL & TSL	N/A		$\checkmark$				20A-20J	5.7
<b>Operational zone (EPL)</b>	N/A		N/A	$\checkmark$		X	20K-20U	Х

Licence conditions are not breached where a tree is accidentally felled into any Protection zones.  $\sqrt{-1}$  Condition applies.

X – Condition does not apply.

N/A – Not applicable.

#### **General conditions**

- the width of a Filter Strip & Protection zone (hard) is be measured from the top of the bank of the incised channel, or, where there is no defined bank, from the edge of the channel.
- the width of a protection zone (soft) is to be measured from its boundary with the adjoining filter strip or protection zone (hard).
- the width is to be measured along the ground surface.
- 5m wide buffer strips must be retained along all drainage depressions. Conditions 15, 16, 21-23 of Schedule 4A of the EPL must apply (Buffer strips).

#### FL conditions

• There is no class 1 or 2 Aquatic Habitat within the compartment.

### 12. Tree Marking Conditions and Code

- Marking-up must be conducted at least 100 metres in advance of harvesting operations, and either side of road construction and road re-opening operations so that relevant exclusion and protection zones can be implemented prior to harvesting, road construction and road re-opening.
- All hard exclusion zones boundaries must be marked in the field, except where specified forestry activities will not come within 50 metres of such boundaries. Retained trees referred to in section 8.2 of this plan must be marked. The only exception to the marking of the retained trees is where the understorey consists of thick impenetrable lantana greater than one metre high or other impenetrable understorey. The SFO must document and justify such situations as it becomes apparent during compartment mark-up.

Description	Symbol			
A. STANDARD MARKINGS/SYMBOL	S			
MARKINGS/SYMBOLS THAT DELIVER KEY REQUIREMENTS ON A STATEWIDE BASIS				
Boundary – special conditions	One band of Pink/Yellow/Blue tape			
Eg. Rainforest buffer, compartment to compartment				
Hard exclusion zone/Filter strip				
Trees must not be felled into these areas, except	One band of Yellow & Pink tape			
where a tree is felled accidentally.				
Warning sign (eg hangup, mine etc)				
	Ø			
Edge of not planned area (equipmerchantable)	2			
Retained trees and critical boundaries to be marked				
within 30m beyond the boundary	"•"			
Tree heads may fall across the line provided they	J			
comply with boundary and tree retention rules (eq 5m				
debris)				
Soft Exclusion Zone / Protection Zone				
Areas where disturbance by harvesting is allowed only	One band of Pink tape PLUS width			
under specified conditions	of Zone in paint			
Extraction System				
Road/Track line	"I" or tape			
Dump site				
with optional dump number reference	"D" or red tape			
Approved crossing site	"个"			
Slope angle indication (commences here)	eg " <b>25</b> °"			
Trees To Be Removed				
Individual tree	"∙" or dots			
Directional felling mark	" <b>←</b> " over "∙"			
Retained Trees				
Retained trees not to be removed or damaged (eg	One horizontal line or ring			
grower, Yellow-bellied Glider potential feed tree)	PLUS			
Habitat tree, for any flora or fauna.	"H"			
Eucalypt feed tree (Flowering eucalypt)	"E"			
Edge of identified AGS 'groups'	66*33			
Recruitment tree	"R"			

#### HARVEST MARKING CODE

Description	Symbol			
Cancellation Mark				
Mark to formally cancel previous marks	"X"			
B. SPECIALIST MARKINGS/SY	MBOLS			
Additional specialist Markings/Symbols that may be	used in place of, or additional to			
standard markings to highlight particular issues as	required by regulators, Forests			
NSW, or others.				
Flora Fauna Features Retained Tree	One horizontal line or ring PLUS			
Glossy black cockatoo feed tree, record or nest	"GB"			
Owl nest and/or roost	"OWL"			
Nest (raptors, parrots etc.)	"N"			
Yellow-bellied Glider v-notch feed tree or record	"γ"			
Squirrel Glider sap feed tree, record or nest	"SG"			
Koala high use tree	"К"			
Koala retained feed tree	One horizontal line or ring			
Frog record	"F"			
Smoky Mouse record	"SM"			
Quoll record; latrine; den	"Q"; "QL"; "QD"			
Bat record; roost	"B"; "BR"			
Phascogale den	"PD"			
Philoria frog seeps and soaks	"FPH"			
Threatened plant	"TP"			
Other Markings				
Possible Pole/Girder	"∙" with "P" or"G"			
Private property	"PP"			
Cave, tunnel or mineshaft	"CTM"			
Drainage Depression Centre line "DD"				

## 13. Roading and Crossings

## 13.1 Location

The Operational map indicates the location of existing roads and crossings on State Forest.

Feature	Length &/or Number	Work Required
Existing Roads	5980	Yes
New Roads	Nil	N/A
Existing Crossings	10	Yes
New Crossing	Nil	N/A
Borrow & Gravel Pits	Nil	No

## Roading and crossing details are contained within Appendix 2 of this Plan.

The roading and crossing works must be undertaken, by contractor or Forests NSW staff, prior to the commencement of harvesting activity in the area served by the road or crossing. Forests NSW will supervise and pay for the maintenance works.

State Forest roads that are not EPA Licenced (refer to Operational Map) are not to be used by log trucks. They may be used with SFO approval for snigging or extraction provided they are drained to appropriate specifications.

• Road drainage must be constructed at the time of road opening and must be maintained during the operation. All crossbanks or spoon drains on roads in the compartment must be constructed to allow safe movement of loaded log trucks and ensure effective road drainage is maintained.

- The SFO must ensure that the road pavement is maintained to a standard sufficient to avoid disruption to truck haulage. Patch gravelling may be required and should be arranged through the Supervising Forester.
- The SFO must ensure any changes to site specific prescriptions as detailed in the roading plan are well documented within the roading appendix.

## 13.2 Wet Weather Controls

Haulage is not permitted on natural surface roads when there is runoff from the road surface. Loaded trucks and partially loaded trucks may complete their journey.

## 14. Log Dumps

#### 14.1 Location

16 log dumps are indicated on the Operational Map. Field location of log dumps must utilise the most level site available consistent with the location indicated on the Operational Map. The area covered by a log dump must be as small as practicable. A maximum of three log dumps may be in operation at any one time, however an additional two log dumps may be used subject to the Supervising Forester's approval.

The SFO may approve additional or relocate log dumps if required. In the case of relocation or additions a minor amendment form should be completed by the SFO. If any road construction or extension of existing road is required the Supervising Forester must be informed and appropriate amendments prepared.

#### 14.2 Treatment

(Compartment 1104) - Inherent hazard level 2 Conditions 26, 27, 28, 30, 31 and 33 of Schedule 4A of the EPL must apply.

- Runoff from log dumps must not be discharged into drainage features.
- Log dumps must be located outside filter strips, protection zones and buffer strips.
- Debris from log dumps must be located outside filter strips, protection zones and buffer strips.
- Dumps must be located at least 10 metres from the outer boundary of protection zones, unless the
  construction of the log dump at least 10 metres from the outer boundary of the protection zone
  would result in additional excavation compared to a log dump located closer to the protection zone.
- Debris from log dumps must be located at least 5 metres from the outer boundary of protection zones.

(Compartment 1101) -Inherent hazard level 3 Conditions 26, 27, 29, 30, 32 and 33 of Schedule 4A of the EPL must apply.

- Runoff from log dumps must not be discharged into drainage features.
- Log dumps must be located outside filter strips, protection zones and buffer strips.
- Dumps must be located at least 20 metres from the outer boundary of a filter strip, unless the construction of the log dump at least 20 metres from the outer boundary of the filter strip would result in additional excavation compared to a log dump located closer to the filter strip.
- Debris from log dumps must be located outside filter strips, protection zones and buffer strips.
- Debris from log dumps must be located at least 15 metres from the outer boundary of a filter strips.

### 14.3 Expected Felling/ Extraction & Loading Method

The expected felling method is manual/mechanical, extraction method by skidder/dozer, and loading method is by excavator.

#### 15. Snig Tracks

#### 15.1 Technique

It is preferable that, wherever practicable, walkover extraction techniques be used in preference to snig track construction. Conditions 38-41 of Schedule 4A of the EPL must apply (Snig tracks).

The SFO must approve in writing the use of snigging/extraction equipment on roads and all roads must be returned to their pre-harvesting condition by the logging contractor immediately after a road has ceased being used for harvesting.

#### 15.2 Drainage of Snig Tracks

Where walkover techniques cannot be used and/or significant lengths of extraction tracks are exposed, snig tracks must be drained according to the maximum spacings in the table below:

Track Grade	Maximum Distance	
(degrees)	(metres)	
0 - <u>&lt;</u> 5	100	
>5 - <u>&lt;</u> 10	60	
>10 - <u>&lt;</u> 15	40	
>15 - <u>&lt;</u> 20	25	
>20 - <u>&lt;</u> 25	20	
>25	15	

The table may be interpolated to derive site-specific maximum spacings.

• Conditions 70-80 of Schedule 4A of the EPL must apply (Drainage of Snig Tracks)

#### 15.3 Crossbank Height

The minimum unconsolidated crossbank height must be **35 cm**, and the minimum consolidated crossbank height must be **25 cm**. The EPA recommends a maximum unconsolidated height of **50 cm**.

#### 15.4 Drainage Feature Crossings

#### Existing snig tracks have been identified and marked in the field for use.

Where a snig track **(existing)** within a protection zone has become re-vegetated, but none of the trees growing on the snig track within the zone have a DBHOB of 20cm or more, the snig track may be brushed-up provided condition 5.7.3(e) of the TSL is met.

All **new snig track crossings** must be authorised by the Regional Manager. Condition 5.7 of the TSL and Conditions 42-69 of Schedule 4A of the EPL must apply (Snig tracks - crossings).

#### 15.5 Downhill Snigging

Limited downhill snigging or extraction is required.

• Where downhill snig or extraction tracks connect directly with a log dump, either the snig tracks must enter the log dump from the side or below, or a drainage structure must be in place immediately before a snig track enters the log dump at the end of each day's operation. Condition 82 of Schedule 4A of the EPL must apply (Downhill snigging).

## 15.6 Wet Weather

All snigging and extraction must cease when water is running in tracks or tracks are likely to be significantly rutted. Prescription 81 of Schedule 4A of the EPL must apply (Wet weather-snig tracks).

#### 15.7 Mass Movement

The compartments are in an area identified as having a potential for mass movement. The following conditions apply to snig tracks constructed in these areas:

- The construction of new snig tracks should not involve side cuts of greater than 2 metre batter height.
- Wherever possible snig tracks should follow the terrain rather than sidecut across contours, particularly where the slope exceeds 25°.
- Avoid undercutting batter cuts on existing roads.

## 15.8 Suitability of existing log dams and gully stuffers

There are no known log dams or gully stuffers on snig track crossings in the compartments.

The suitability of any existing log dam or gully stuffers must be determined by a suitably qualified person, the determination enclosed in the compartment/stand history file and any recommendations for use prescribed in the harvest instructions before the log dam or gully stuffer is used for extraction. Condition 47 of Schedule 4A of the EPL must apply.

#### **16. Product Specifications and Accounting**

All timber products obtained from the planning unit must be graded and accounted for prior to their departure from the loading point in a format agreed to by Forests NSW.

Sawlogs must be serviced and graded in accordance with the Hardwood Log Measurement Manual Southern Region (Jan 2002).

Sawlog sales must comply with the Code of Procedure for Sale of Hardwood Sawlogs by Gross Volume Measurement from Crown Timber Lands within Forests NSW Southern Region (Edition July 1999).

Pulpwood sales must comply with the Code of Procedure for the Sale of Hardwood Pulpwood by Weight Using Truck Delivery Dockets as Basis for Account, between South East Fibre Exports Pty Ltd and Forests NSW.

#### 17. Yield Estimates

Native forest 1101 & 1104	Est yield/ha	Est total volume
Quota logs (HQL)	10m³/ha	1000m³
High Quality Small	1m³/ha	100m <sup>3</sup>
Salvage logs	10m³/ha	1000m³
Poles/Piles/Girders	1m³/ha	100m³
TOTAL	22m³/ha	2200m <sup>3</sup>

Yield estimates are based on field sampling and ocular estimates and harvest data from neighbouring compartments. Yields per hectare estimates are an average over the net planned area are will vary depending on the actual area harvested.

18. Certificatio	n		
Prepared by:			
Signature:		Date:	
0	Harvest Planning Team Leader		
Endorsed by:			
Signature:		Date:	
Position	PLANNING MANAGER	-	
Approved by:			
Signature:		Date:	
Position	REGIONAL MANAGER		

#### **19. SFO Acknowledgment**

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Harvesting Plan for Compartments 1101 & 1104 in McDonald State Forest and that I have been briefed on the conditions of the Plan and understand the supervision and operational control requirements as explained to me by the Harvesting Forester or his/her delegate.

Signature			Date:	
Position	SUPERVISING FOR	EST OFFICER		
Signature			Date:	
Position	RELIEVING FOREST OFFICER	SUPERVISING		
20. Harvesting	Contractor Acknowle	edgment		

I acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Harvesting Plan for Compartments 1101 & 1104 in McDonald State Forest and that I understand the conditions of the Plan as explained to me and the operators present by a Forests NSW Officer.

Name:			
Date/signature:	/	/	
Position:	Principle	Contrac	or/Crew Leader/Operator

Name	Position/Role	Initial/Signature

#### 21. State Forest Employees Acknowledgment

I acknowledge that I have been briefed on the contents of the Harvesting Plan for Compartments 1101 & 1104 in McDonald State Forest and that I understand the conditions of the Plan as explained to me by a Forests NSW Officer.

Name	Date	Position/Role	Signature

#### Details to Record in SFO Notes

- Dates of commencement and cessation of logging
- Record the commencement and completion of harvesting at each dump
- Record the occurrence of temporary stopping of harvesting at each dump.
- Situations where drainage could not be completed due to saturated soils must be recorded in SFO Notes.
- Record the commencement and completion of each construction, upgrading or maintenance of drainage feature crossings by snig tracks or extraction tracks.
- Bi-weekly checks of road drainage structures during haulage operations.
- Record the date of checks, drainage structure compliance and the any repairs required within the specified time period.
- Records of Threatened Flora and Fauna identified during compartment markup.
- Minor variations associated with moving or adding dumps.
- Daily events of importance eg. Instructions to crew, work activity.

#### SFO Feature Usage Record

#### Dates of commencement and cessation of logging

Date of commencement of logging: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of cessation of logging: \_\_\_\_

#### DUMP USAGE RECORD

- Record the commencement and completion of harvesting at each dump
- Record the occurrence of temporary stopping of harvesting at each dump.

Dump number	Start date	Finish date	*Track drainage completed within 2 days (yes/no)	Date of temporary cessation	**Temporary track drainage completed within 5 days (yes/no)	Date resumed

\*At completion of snig track/dump, track drainage must be completed within **2** days unless soil is saturated.

\*At temporary cessation of snig track use, track drainage must be completed within **5** days unless soil is saturated.

Situations where drainage could not be completed due to saturated soils must be recorded in SFO Notes.

# SFO Notes

Date	Event	Signed
SFO Notes (	continued)	

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**Clearance Certificate** 

#### COMPARTMENTS: 1101 & 1104

**Southern Region** 

To ......Supervising Forest Officer

I request approval for me to move my logging crew and all associated machinery from the above-mentioned area to the next compartment in accordance with Section 3.5 of the Forest Practices Code.

I certify that:

- (a) all permanent roads, trails and mitre drains have been cleared of harvesting debris;
- (b) butt damage to retained trees has been kept to acceptable limits;
- (c) all trees marked for removal have been felled;
- (d) utilisation limits have been satisfactorily met;
- (e) stump heights conform to requirements;
- (f) all hanging trees have been felled and brought down;
- (g) all log dumpsites have been satisfactorily restored as required;
- (h) harvesting debris is not accumulated around retained trees;
- (I) all accumulated litter has been disposed of properly;
- (j) all filter and buffer strip requirements have been complied with;
- (k) all snig track, extraction track and temporary logging road drainage has been installed satisfactorily and other required rehabilitation work has been completed;
- (I) all necessary repairs to damaged roads, signs, fences and other structures have been carried out.

# (m) \_\_\_\_\_ (insert quantity) rubber flaps have been recovered in a satisfactory condition and reported to Operations Branch for collection.

I believe that I have met all my obligations under the conditions of the Timber Licence, the EPL and TSL which apply to the compartment just completed, as stated in this Harvesting Plan.

Signature......Date ......Date .....

As a result of inspections of the logging operations made in accordance with this Harvesting Plan, I am satisfied that, to the best of my knowledge, the contractor responsible for this harvesting operation has satisfactorily completed all work and approval is given for her/him to remove her/his machinery and equipment and leave the area/commence operations in another compartment.

This clearance does not release the contractor from any obligation to undertake any remedial work if subsequent deficiencies are shown to result from inadequate practices during the harvesting operation, which are found during any inspections of the area made within 12 months of the date of this post-harvesting inspection.

Last inspection was made on .....(Date)

Signed	(Date)
Supervising Forest Office	cer

#### Post Logging Information

Record any circumstances of significance relating to the harvesting of this compartment. Please draw or include any annotations on the attached operation scale map.

#### Summary of silvicultural treatment

Treatment type	Area (ha) subject to treatment (SFO estimate)	Number of AGS gaps created	Comments
Australian Group Selection			
Single Tree Selection			
Thinning/Spacing			
Post Harvest Silviculture			

#### Actual area harvested (record on attached Operational Map)

Give reasons for harvestable areas that were not harvested (eg. Too steep, defective timber). Make reference to map.

#### Post Logging Basal Area sweeps

Dump No#	Sample 1	Sample 2	Sample 3	Sample 4	Average
•	•	•	•	•	Ŭ
			Post BA	Average	m²/ha
			Pre BA	Average	30-36m <sup>2</sup> /ha

Comply with maximum STS BA removal of 45% or Thinning BA removal of 60% Y/N

#### Possible next cut (tick appropriate boxes)

Main product type	Antic	cipated vo	lume
	Н	М	L
Girders			
Veneer			
Poles/piles			
Quota			
Smalls/Thinnings			
Salvage			
Pulpwood/chipwood			

Time to next harvest	
0 to 5 years	
5 to 10 years	
10 to 20 years	
20 to 30 years	
30 plus years	

Noxious or environmental weed problems; high levels of feral animal use.

Sites of soil erosion for attention.

Boundary compromised; neighbour issues resulting from logging or haulage.

Operation map errors for Planning Forester attention (eg forest type; roads).

Any other comments – SFO / FA / Forester

#### Attach SCION printout

#### Post Harvest Mapping Features Confirmation Checklist

Feature	Planning	Reason	GIS Shape	Harvesting	Comments
	Opuales	(EITOI/New)	EXISIS	Opuales	
Soil Regolith	Yes	Revised			
Mapped Drainage	No				
Rainforest	No				
Rocky outcrops	No				
Wetlands	No				
Cultural Heritage	No				
Existing Roads	Yes	Error	Yes		
New Roads	No				
Heath	No				
Powerlines etc	No				

## **APPENDIX 1**

#### **POST-HARVEST BURNING PLAN**



## 6.08.01 Bush Fire Mapping Symbols

DTG refers to Date Time Group which uses the two digits for the date and 24 hour time, eg 10:51hrs on 4 November would be: 04 1051

NAME	SYME	BOL NOTES				
PREDICTED (fire edge)		Show DTG				
GOING (fire edge)		• Show DTG				
CONTAINED (fire edge)		Show DTG				
PROPOSED (control line)	x—x—x—x	-X-X- Draw on far sid	e of feature			
COMPLETED (control line)	x+x+x+x-	+X+X+ Show DTG				
PROPOSED (backburn)	1111	IIII Draw on near s	ide of feature			
COMPLETED (backburn)	<u> </u>	Show DTG				
BACKBURN BURNING IN		Lines show dep	th of burn at DTG			
RED – FIRE BL	ACK CONTROL	LINES BLUE - WRITIN	G & SYMBOLS			
∆ Strategic or Tactical O Significance	Command, Contro & Coordination	Logistics Related	Assets to be Protected			
Fire Origin	Red 🚫	Show DTG				
Fire Direction	Blue F>	Show DTG				
Wind Direction	Blue W>	Show DTG				
Spot Fire	Red 😽	Isolated fire ahead of main fire				
Burnt Area	Black IIIIIII	Burnt area (if old, show mo	nth and year)			
Aerial Ignition	Red ::- ::	· Proposed path to be treated	d			
Divisional Boundary	Blue X	Use geographical names				
Sector Boundary	Blue 00000	O Use alphabetical names				
Refuge Area	Blue 🔝	Escape Route (Add arrow to show safe exit)	Blue 庄			
Control Centre (Incident Management Team location)	Blue CC	Staging Area (Where resources are prepared or available)	Blue SA			
Divisional Command	Blue DC	Base Camp	Blue BC			
Sector Command	Blue SC	Airbase (Fixed wing and/or helicopter base)	Blue			
Helipad	Blue 💿	Water Point Helicopter	Blue WH			
Water Point Vehicle (Firefighting water supply)	Blue wv	Aboriginal Site or Artifacts	Blue 🔗			
Ambulance Location	Blue AMB	Endangered Flora	Blue (FL)			
Threatened Property	Blue 🔿	Endangered Fauna	Blue FA			
Historic Site (Building or Structures)	Blue					

#### The use of colours is optional.

Bush Fire Co-ordinating Committee (Approved) Incident Management Procedures 6.08.01 Bush Fire Mapping Symbols Version 1.3

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#### PLANNING INFORMATION

LGA: Shoalhaven

#### Fuel Management Zone & Proposed Burn Summary

Refer to sections 1 & 2 of the harvest plan document for details **Season:** Winter / Spring **Zone 3B** (Post-Harvest)

#### **REGIONAL BURNING GUIDELINES**

<u> Max Temp (°C):</u>	25	<u> Min RH (%) :</u>	30	Max Wind Sp	<u>eed (km/h)</u>	: < 20 Southerly aspect < 15 Northerly aspect
<b>Max BKDI:&lt;</b> 70	Max FDI:	7 (subject to	area asses	sment). <b>Scorcl</b>	h Height:	0.6 x dominant tree height – Post Log 10m – Broad Area
Max Fuel Moistu	re Range: 12	2-25% <b>Max R</b> a	ate of Spre	ead: < 300m/h	r. <b>Averaç</b>	<b>Je Flame height:</b> up to 4m – Post Log <1 – 2m – Broad Area
Fuel Reduction C	Objectives:	60 -80% of ne	t area to be	e burned.	Reduce fi	<b>ne fuels to</b> : manageable levels - Post Log 4 – 8t/ha – Broad Area

#### **BURN AREA INFORMATION**

Fuel loads: 50-150 tons per hectare of logging slash, 10 – 20 tons per hectare in between tree heads.

Fuel arrangement: Multi-tiered structure (litter, grasses, shrubs, eucalypt regeneration and mature trees)

**Terrain:** 5%>30°, 10% @ 25°-30°, 18% @ 20°-25°, 46% @10°-20°, 21% @ 0°-10° slope.

#### Time since last burn:

#### IMPORTANT BURNING PRESCRIPTIONS

- A small test burn must always be lit prior to main burn. This will assist in determining FIRE BEHAVIOUR and IGNITION PATTERNS.
- Sections will be lit by drip torch to a determined ignition pattern. If overall fire coverage is below 60%, aerial ignition using incendiaries may also be used.
- Areas will generally be burnt from ridge tops down and into the wind to minimise excessive fire behaviour

#### BURN OBJECTIVES

- To reduce fuel loads to 4-8 tonnes/ha. (assisting future fire suppression)
- A burn coverage between 60-80%
- To contain fire within designated boundaries.
- To observe and record data, assisting in future high fuel load and advanced regrowth area burns.
- To minimise crown scorch; not exceeding 10% of dominant and co-dominant crowns.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL PRESCRIPTIONS**

#### FLORA AND FAUNA:

Refer to sections 8 & 9 of the Harvest plan document.

#### SOIL, WATER & AQUATIC HABITAT:

Refer to sections 10 & 11 of the Harvest plan document.

- Preferred months of burn April to September
- Fuel moisture differentials will be utilised to minimise impacts upon drainage features within the burn area

#### ABORIGINAL CULTURAL HERITAGE:

Refer to section 7 of the Harvest plan document.

#### **CONTROL AND STRATEGY**

#### CONTROL LINES:

EXISTING	Description of Work Required	Completed
Description of each control line		Yes /No
Martins Ridge Road	Nil	
Feeder Roads	Nil	
unnamed Creeks	Fuel moisture >16%	
Check for trees that could burn down and fall over any bo	bundary roads and wet down or rake around as	necessary
PROPOSED	Description of Work Required	Completed
Description of each control line		Yes /No
No new control lines proposed	Nil	

#### SMOKE HAZARD AND MANAGEMENT: http://www.bom.gov.au/general/reg/smoke/nsw/index.shtml

Smoke / Hazard Reduction Signs required?:	YES	NO	$(\mathbf{\ensuremath{\square}}$ tick to indicate)
Smoke Dispersion Forecasting via BOM utilised?	YES	NO	$(\blacksquare$ tick to indicate)

Safety Considerations	s (pre-burn)	DAY 1	DAY 2	DAY 3	DAY 4	DAY 5	DAY 6	DAY 7
Personnel	Names of fire crew documented daily.							
Visitors on site	Visitor on site induction carried out							
Neighbours notified	Documented in plan							
Traffic control	Traffic control signs to regulate traffic if required							
Smoke management:	Assessment of prevailing winds at the time of burn. Road side signs warning of smoke hazard.							

Supervisor to initial				

Pre-burn preparation a			
Activity	Specifications and tasks	Responsibility (inc date)	Signature
Fuel monitoring	Regular monitoring prior to burning		
Weather monitoring	Conducted prior to and during burning operations.		
<ul><li>Trail preparation</li><li>D3</li><li>Hand tools</li></ul>	Mineral earth control lines prepared prior to burning to contain fire within designated burning block.		
Neighbour liaison	Notification and communications documented.		
Liaison with fire & emergency authorities	"as above"		
Media releases	To advise local community of SF burning activities.		
Radio station notifications	"as above"		
Equipment	Ensure all required equipment is available.		
Communications	"as above"		
Visitor Safety	Burn is sign posted. All visitors to report to burn supervisor immediately		
Burn approval	Daily burn approvals given by delegated officers		

## **NOTIFICATION & RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS**

Neighbours.....

Contractors.....

Lessees.....

Shire FCO.....

Govt Agencies.....

Apiarists.....

## NOTIFICATION REGISTER

**RFS (Rural Fire Service)** 

Name	Position	Phone Number	Notified
	FCO		

NEIGHBOURS: (Refer to compartment planning folder for details prior to burning)

Owner	Postal Address	Lot / Plan	Phone	Notification Letters sent	Reply Received

APIARISTS: (Refer to compartment planning folder for details prior to burning)

Name	Site Number/s	Phone Number	Notified

	DAILY CREW SMEACS	BRIEFING SHEET	
		(tic	k daily when briefed)
SITUATION			DAY 1 2 3 4 5 6 7
<ul> <li>Burn area to b</li> </ul>	be treated (location, boundaries, control	line types and exclusive areas)	
<ul> <li>Burn area cha</li> </ul>	racteristics (e.g. terrain, forest cover, se	ensitive areas, etc)	
<ul> <li>Burn area acc</li> </ul>	ess by road class (checked beforehand	I, dead ends, watering points etc.).	
<ul> <li>Fuel Loadings</li> </ul>	and fire behaviour prescriptions for the	HRB area	
<ul> <li>Staging areas</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Expected weat</li> </ul>	ther		
	MISSIO	N	
<ul> <li>Overall aim of</li> </ul>	the hazard reduction burn		
<ul> <li>Site specific a</li> </ul>	ims for sections of the HRB (eg, protect	ction of patches of advanced regro	wth,
rainforest pocl	kets, buildings, bridges, etc.)		
<ul> <li>Secondary air</li> </ul>	n/s should the HRB escape		
	EXECUTI	<u>ON</u>	
- Plant and mar	power resources (FNSVV, RFS, DEC, o	others)	
- Division of bui	rn area into 'Sections'		
- Starting points	s, starting times, finish times (start dow	/n wind´ if possible)	
- Safe approve	d'lighting patterns and directions		
- VVork down-si	ope, keeping below active fire (except v	vhere good fuel breaks occur)	
- Location and a	activity of other burning crews		
- Personal and	crew safety - buddy system when lightli	ng up	
- Progress repo	orts at pre-designated times	abt up balaw ather burning aroug)	
- Maintain awar	eness of other burning crews (do not lig	gni up below other burning crews)	
- Expected life	teken in the event of an economic a tek	icy plans	
- ACTIONS TO BE	aken in the event of an escape e.g. to	pause the light-up	
	ADMINISTRA	ATION	
- Reporting field	fire weather to the office at regular time	es	
- Receiving fore	ecast weather reports from office		
- Logistical sup	port (fuel, food, water, heavy plant, bac	k-up crews etc.)	
3	CONTROL, COMMAND, C	OMMUNICATIONS	
<ul> <li>Chain of comr</li> </ul>	mand (burn supervisor and sector bosse	es)	
- Communicatio	ons systems for fire-ground and comma	nd (UHF & VHF radios, mobile pho	nes)
	SAFET	<u>Y</u>	,
<ul> <li>Medical Emer</li> </ul>	gency Evacuation Plan & Site Safety Pl	an	
<ul> <li>Areas of likely</li> </ul>	tree or limb falling hazards (methods to	o identify/mark hazards)	
<ul> <li>Look up and k</li> </ul>	ook around procedure (for self and work	(mates)	
<ul> <li>Location first a</li> </ul>	aid kits and first aiders		
<ul> <li>Pre-burn safe</li> </ul>	ty actions including 'Smoke Hazard' sig	n locations, traffic control plan etc	
<ul> <li>Location of sa</li> </ul>	fety zones, and escape routes		
<ul> <li>Safe parking of</li> </ul>	of SF vehicles within the burn area and	vehicle speeds during the burn	
<ul> <li>Crew vehicles</li> </ul>	to have headlights and flashing beacon	ns on where practicable	
<ul> <li>Schedule ade</li> </ul>	quate rest breaks and set appropriate v	vork pace	
<ul> <li>Ensure crews</li> </ul>	s have access to supplies of drinking wa	ater	
<ul> <li>Visitors to the</li> </ul>	site are inducted into the SSP		
Day 1 Purp Suparvisor	Data		Data
Day 3 Burn Supervisor	Data Day	2 - Duill Supervisor	Date
Day 5 - Burn Supervisor	Date Day		Date
Day 7 - Burn Supervisor	Date Day 8	8 - Burn Supervisor	Date
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# EMPLOYEE IDENTIFICATION

EMPLOYEE	NAME	PROOF OF ACCREDITATION (Eg. FNSW RECORDS)	DATE	SUPERVISOR OR RELEVANT AGENCY SIGNATURE
Incident Controller				
Burn Supervisor				

Crew Leader		
Crew Leader		
Crew Member		

Personnel and equipment requirements:								
SFO Signature								

Burning Operations Record

Forecast Weather and Indices (Obtain from Office)

See attached daily weather forecasts and relevant indices obtained from the Bureau of Meteorology

#### Burn Site Weather Readings

Take daily on site readings (hourly if possible) and note un-forecast weather changes.

Date	Time	Temp (°C)	RH (%)	Wind Direction	Wind Sp. (km/h)	FDI	FMC %	COMMENTS

FIRE BEHAVIOUR									
PREDICTED ACTUAL									
		Flame Height	ROS	Assessment	Flame Height	ROS	Comments		
Date	Time (hrs)	(m)	(m/hr)	Method	(average)	(m/hr)			
			laniti	on details – I	DATE (s)				
Type: Ae	rial / Groun	d Method:	Contour / R	idge / Road e	dge / Top disp	osal Patte	rn: Line / Spots		
Incendiar	y Capsules	s used:	(aerial i	gnition only)					
<b>T</b>		-l Madle - Ja	Igniti	on details – I	DATE (s)	Detter			
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Incendiar	y Capsules	s used:	(aerial i	gnition only)					
POST BU	RN ASSES	SMENT							
Estimated	d burn cov	erage (% of ne	et area):		.%				
Estimated	d burn cov	erage:			ha				
Fine fuel reduced to an average of :t/ha									
Estimated area of crown scorch :%									
OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW									
Burn com	nplete?				Yes/No				
Follow up	o action ree	quired ?			Yes/No				
Burn con	Burn contained within planned boundaries? Yes/No								
Burn cove	erage obje	ctive met?			Yes/No				
Fine fuel	reduction	objective met?	?		Yes/No				
Environmental prescriptions met? Yes/No									

Threatened Species License conditions met?

Fisheries License conditions met?

Yes/No

Yes/No

Remedial Action required (if any):\_\_\_\_\_

Remedial works certified complete.

Work Supervisor\_\_\_\_

\_ Date:\_\_

Comments:\_\_\_\_\_

Attach additional pages as required

## **APPENDIX 2**

#### ROADING PLAN

#### Summary of Roading Requirements

Length of existing roads/trails to be maintained	5980
Length of new roads to be constructed	0
Number of existing crossings to be maintained	10
Number of new crossings to be constructed	0
Length of road >10°	80
Mass movement prescriptions apply	No
Dispersible soil conditions apply	No
Seasonality provisions apply	Yes

#### Instruction for Existing Road Repair, Maintenance and Construction

- Schedule 5 Conditions of the Environment Protection Licence must apply (Operating conditions for roads).
- The stability of existing log dams & gully stuffers must also be inspected twice weekly during logging operations. Where an existing log dam or gully stuffer becomes unstable, State Forest must replace the crossing structure within 5 days.
- Rollover crossbanks must be constructed to a minimum consolidated effective bank height of 15 cm. Bank height must be measured at 90° from the outlet to the crest of the bank. The crossbank must be of an effective height across its entire length to ensure compliance.
- Before the use of the roads for harvesting commences:
  - a) Fallen timber, shrub regrowth and litter may need to be cleared from the pavements and shoulders and in places cut by hand off cut batters in and adjacent to the compartment and the shoulders and pavements reformed. The debris must be swept off the road shoulders, with minimal disturbance to fill batters. Debris must not be pushed into filter strips or buffer strips.
  - b) Filter strips and buffer strips crossed by roads, or impacted by roads must be marked ahead of roading operations by the SFO or Roading Foreman.
  - c) Maintenance grading may need to be carried out on sections of the roads mentioned above.
  - d) Exposed surfaces must be sown with rye grass/sub clover or Japanese millet/white clover, depending on season at the rate of 20 kg/ha, where 70% ground cover cannot be achieved. The species to be planted for site stabilisation are to be determined in consultation with the Soil Conservationist.
    - Fertiliser & straw mulch must also be placed on the above exposed surfaces where stabilisation will not result through natural means.
    - Minor deviations may be required on sections of roads to straighten the formation or improve road grade.
    - Spreading of imported gravel and/or grading may be required on limited sections of roads to maintain the pavement during the proposed harvesting.
    - Revegetation of minor roads following harvesting will be through natural regeneration. All crossbank/spoon drains must be left in working condition and crossfall (outfall) drainage reinstated.
- New drainage structures have been marked in the field with yellow paint with a letter Ro (rollover), S (spoon drain) Ru (rubber strip) or M (mitre drain). Refer to diagrams.

The following roads, or sections of these roads, as indicated on the Operational Map, will be used during the harvesting:

Road/Cross ing Name	Works Required	Completed Yes/No	Signature
1101/1 road	Clear fallen debris, roadside clearing, grade pavement if required, install road drainage as marked – 3 x rubber flaps.		
1104/1 road	Reopen road, clear regrowth and fallen debris. Grade pavement, install road drainage as marked. Measure & mark drainage on section once road is cleared. 5 x rubber flaps.		
1104/2 road	Grade pavement, reopen section that is over grown. Install drainage as marked. 10 x rubber flaps.		
1104/3 road	Grade pavement surface, install drainage as marked, 1 x rubber flap & mitre drains.		
Crossing A	Install curb logs, gravel pavement surface, install approach drainage, 2 x rubber flaps.		
В	Gravel wet areas over the pipe, install approach drainage, 2 x rubber flaps.		
С	Install curb logs, gravel pavement surface, install approach drainage, 2 x rubber flaps.		
D	Install approach drainage, 2 x rubber flaps.		
E	Remove old logs from failed bridge crossing. Use log to stabilise outlet of existing causeway crossing. Gravel/rock pavement of crossing, install 2 x rubber flaps.		
F	Remove & reset existing girders, reset bed logs, install geotextile cloth, sedimentation work, install approach drainage 2 x rubber flaps, seed & mulch disturbed areas. Ensure temporary measures are installed to protect drainage line during crossing upgrade.		
G	Remove & reset existing girders, reset bed logs, install geotextile cloth, sedimentation work, install approach drainage 2 x rubber flaps, seed & mulch disturbed areas. Ensure temporary measures are installed to protect drainage line during crossing upgrade.		
Н	Remove old logs from failed bridge crossing. Use log to stabilise outlet of existing causeway crossing. Gravel/rock pavement of crossing, install 2 x rubber flaps.		
1	Clear regrowth from pavement surface, install approach drainage 2 x rubber flaps.		
J	Clear regrowth from pavement surface, install approach drainage 2 x rubber flaps.		
К	Clear regrowth from pavement surface, install approach drainage 2 x rubber flaps.		
S1	Clear regrowth from pavement surface, install approach drainage on completion.		

# <u>Note:</u> Maintenance works not completed by Operations must be recorded and passed onto the SFO Harvesting for completion and documentation.

The start and finish dates of all maintenance and construction must be recorded on the individual roading sheets along with other relevant changes or explanations.

All drainage structures must be maintained effective under log haulage at all times. Mitre drains rendered ineffective due to road deformation must be repaired or replaced with rubber flaps, rollovers or relief pipes, which ever is the more effective.

The type of drainage structures specified in the plan may be changed at the time of maintenance or construction if an alternate structure is as effective or more effective for the road pavement surface. However, all changes must be documented within the road appendix and initialled by the Supervising Forest Officer (Operations or Harvesting).

All roads must be effectively drained at the completion of harvesting. Rubber flaps must be replaced with rollover, mitre or spoon drains at the correct EPL spacings.

Standard 375 mm pipes will be used in road relief drainage unless otherwise specified within the Road Appendix.

Pipe sizes for road crossings will be specified within the crossing section of the Road Appendix.