

## Harrison Hot Springs Village Council Meeting

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BC Timber Sales acknowledges the territories of First Nations around B.C. and is grateful to carry out our work on these lands.

We acknowledge the rights, interests, priorities and concerns of all Indigenous Peoples, respecting and acknowledging their distinct cultures, histories, laws and governments.



### Welcome & Territorial acknowledgement

## Agenda

- BC Timber Sales (BCTS)
- Chinook Business Area
- Operational Planning
- Council's Advance Questions
- Closing Remarks/Discussion



### **About BC Timber Sales**





A self-financing program within the Ministry of Forests. BCTS' business area and field team offices are located in 33 communities across British Columbia.



The development, auction, harvesting and processing of timber has helped to create and sustain over 7,500 direct and 10,000 indirect jobs within B.C., supporting families and rural communities.



Sustainably manages the harvesting and reforestation of approximately 20 per cent of timber available for harvest from B.C.'s timber harvesting land base\*.



BCTS manages its operating area; doesn't directly harvest timber. Harvest opportunities are auctioned through timber sale licences. Bid prices received from auctioned timber, and the costs of developing that timber support the Market Pricing System (MPS).



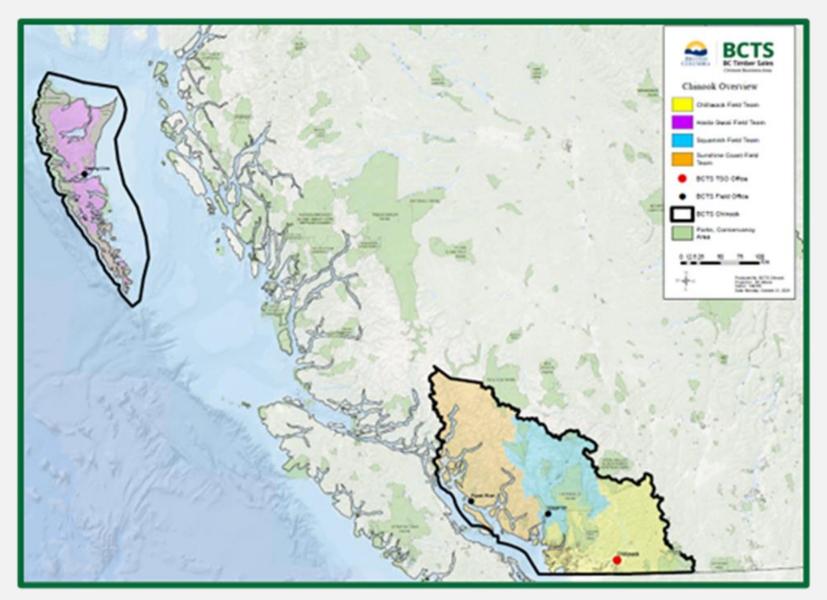
Conducts forest planning and stewardship activities, builds and maintains logging roads, and reforests harvested areas.



BCTS is not a licensee. The program provides a reliable source of timber through open and competitive auctions to loggers, wood processors and other forestry businesses that don't have a tenure.

\*Timber harvesting land base is public land where environmentally sound timber harvesting is allowed and economically feasible.

### **BCTS Chinook Business Area**







## **Operational Planning**







# Operational Planning (continued)







### Council's Advance Questions

- 1. Environmental management
  - Protection of ecosystems, water sources and wildlife habitats
- 2. Pesticide Use
  - Pesticide management plans
  - o Broad leaf species removal
- 3. Sustainable logging practices
  - Selective logging/reduced impact logging
- 4. Managing harvest debris
  - Wildfire Act and Regulations
  - Cultural and prescribed burns



# Council's Advance Questions (continued)

- 6. Transportation routes
  - Road damage mitigation & traffic
  - Watering wood
- 7. Visual quality management
  - Visual landscape inventory polygons
- 8. Maximizing economic value of B.C. logs
- 9. Advocating for forestry reform



## Thank you

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