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The *Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act (FPC)* Operational Planning Regulation Part 1-Interpretation Section 1(1) defines "ungulate winter range" to mean an area that is identified as being necessary for the winter survival of an ungulate species by any of the following:



- (1)(a) a higher level plan;
 - (b) the chief forester and Deputy Minister of Environment Lands and Parks under Section 69;
 - (c) a wildlife management plan or strategy approved before October 15, 1998
 - (i) by
 - (A) the district manager or regional manager, and
 - (B) the designated environmental official,
 - (ii) by the chief forester, or
 - (iii) by the ministers,
- but a wildlife management plan or strategy approved under this paragraph expires on October 15, 2003, unless
- (iv) modified under paragraphs (a) or (b), or
 - (v) confirmed before that date under Section 69.

The existing ungulate winter ranges in the South Island Forest District have been reviewed by Ministry of Forests (MoF) and Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks (MELP) as per the August 6, 1998 memorandum from Larry Pedersen, Chief Forester, MoF, and Jon O'Riordan, Assistant Deputy Minister, MELP, and in consideration of the criteria agreed to by MoF and MELP as provided on September 8, 1998 by Greg Jones, Chief of Wildlife, MELP.

The Chief Forester has determined that there are no existing ungulate winter ranges identified Tree Farm License 25 Management and Working Plan No. 9 (January 1, 1997 to

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December 31, 2001) and, as such, none are grandparented as per the *FPC Operational Planning Regulation* Section 1(1)(c).

If you have any questions please contact Madeline Maley, Planning Forester, at 250/724-9219.

Yours truly,

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Attach.