

Quick Start to FRPA

for forest tenure holders operating under the *FRPA* and FPPR





Purpose of Presentation

- Provide overview of FRPA planning and practice requirements
- Provide links to additional information



- What is FRPA?
- FRPA planning requirements
- FRPA practice requirements
- Operating under FRPA
- Next steps

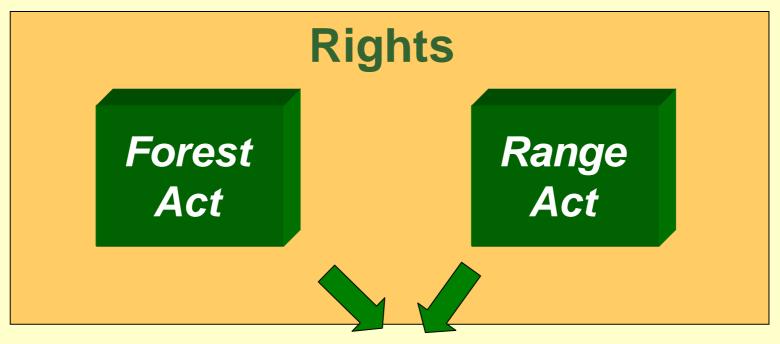




What is FRPA?







Plans & Practices

FRPA FPC



Prescription:
how to conduct
forest practices

FPC Act

Regulations

Cited Guidebooks

Non-Legal Realm **FRPA**

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Non-Legal Realm

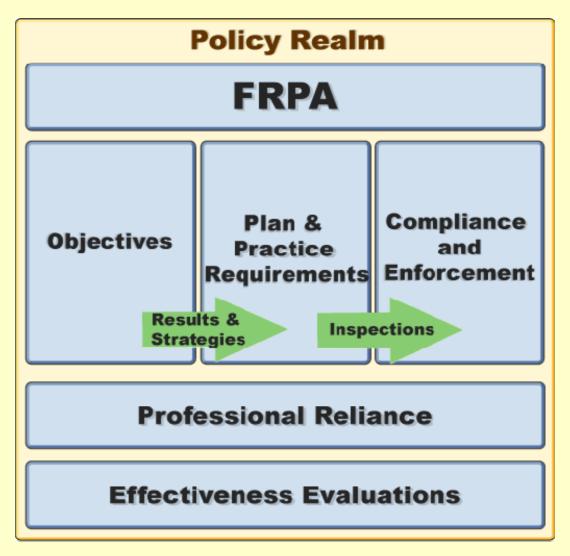
(e.g.,)

- Professional reliance
 - Science
 - Knowledge & experience

Results:

this is what forest practices must deliver







FRPA Planning Requirements





Planning Requirements under FRPA?

- Forest stewardship plan (FSP) approved
- Site plan prepared





What is a FSP?

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- Sole document requiring approval under FRPA for forest agreement holders
- Shows development areas within which harvesting and road building may occur
- Must be approved before any cutting/road permits issued
- Prepared for a term of 1-5 years



Who Needs to Prepare a FSP?

- Holders of agreements:
 - Major licence including SNRFL
 - Timber sale licence that requires a FSP
 - Community forest agreement
 - Community salvage licence
 - Pulpwood agreement





Exemptions to Preparing a FSP

- No requirement to prepare a FSP
 - Minor tenures or licences not declared as major licences
- Possible exemptions—limited content in FSP
 - Forestry licence to cut (not a major)
 - Community salvage licence
 - Forest health salvage





- Contact local Forest District
- Identify objectives in area—see District Objective Matrix

http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/rco/pfit/

- Propose results/strategies to meet objectives
- Utilize professionals and information in the non-legal realm to assist



Drafting the FSP (cont.)

- Prepare map showing proposed development areas (e.g., FDUs)
- Prepare stocking standards
- Include measures for invasive plants and natural range barriers
- Include signature of person required to prepare plan



Review and Comment

Make reasonable efforts to meet with First Nations groups

http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/rco/pfit/Bulletins.htm

- Advertise FSP is available for review
- Make FSP available for review commensurate with person's rights
- Collect and consider written comments



MOFR Review & Approval Process

- Consult with First Nations
- FSP Approval Process
 - Review plan for content requirements and consistency with harvesting rights
 - Review results or strategies
 - Request additional information
 - Make approval determination



Who Needs to Prepare a Site Plan?



- Tenure holders operating under an approved FSP
 - Prepared by Licensee
 - Not submitted to government
 - Must be available upon request
- Minimal content requirements in regulations
 - Include how results & strategies in the FSP apply on FDUs



Transition to FRPA (Planning)

To Dec. 31/05	To Dec. 31/06	Ongoing
May submit new FDP	No new FDP	No longer in effect
May amend FDP		No longer in effect
Can issue CP, RP, TSL under FDP		No
Complete obligations under FDP (e.g., silviculture)		
May create FSP		Yes
		FSP Only





FRPA Practice Requirements





Practice Requirements

- Apply to all who carry out activities
- Defined in FPPR
 - Part 4—practice requirements
 - Part 5—roads
 - Part 6—notifying and reporting to government
- Exemptions
 - Forest health exemption
 - Exemption by Minister if not practicable



Transition to FRPA (Practices)

- Operating under a FDP
 - Subject to the requirements of FPC
- After a FSP is approved
 - Subject to the requirements of FRPA
- If exempt from preparing a FSP
 - Subject to the practice requirements of FRPA



Operating under FRPA





What will the Government Enforce?

- FSP obligations
 - Results and strategies
 - Measures
 - Stocking standards
- Practice requirements
 - In Forest Planning and Practices Regulation (FPPR)



Due Diligence

- Taking all reasonable steps to avoid contravention
 - Take a higher duty of care if harmful event possible
 - Follow general practices
 - Utilize preventative systems
 - Respond promptly to any problem
- See "Due diligence under FRPA" brochure

http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/code/training/FRPA/whats_new.html



Next Steps





Suggested Next Steps

- Understand FRPA
 - Administrative Guide for FSPs (AGFSP)
 - FRPA Training Companion Guide
 - Planning Module (FRPA Training Program)

http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/code/training/FRPA/



Suggested Next Steps (cont.)

- Determine approach to producing FSP—options include:
 - Create a limited area FSP
 - Include approved "Category A" cutblocks in new FSP
 - Join a major to prepare multi-licensee FSP or amend into existing FDP or FSP
 - Partner with other tenure holders
 - Request exemption from DDM (limited situations)



Next Steps—Prepare a FSP

- Understand requirements and process
 - AGFSP—Chapter 3
 - PFIT website—Tips for your First FSP http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/rco/pfit/
- Plan FSP
 - Plan area
 - Approach to FSP
 - Supporting documentation
 - Submission schedule



Next Steps—Prepare a FSP (cont)

- Gather information
 - Other agencies, First Nations, other licensees—document discussion
 - Information in non-legal realm
 - PFIT website—Objectives Matrix, FRPA Bulletins

http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/rco/pfit/

- Conduct information exchange meeting with MOFR
 - AGFSP—Appendix 9
- Utilize professionals, as necessary



Next Steps—Conduct Activities

- Achieve results and strategies in FSP
- Comply with practices requirements
- Implement due diligence systems



Next Steps—Interaction with other Tenure Holders

- Dialogue with other licensees before contacting the DDM
- Avoid impacting ability for others to achieve results/strategies in approved FSPs
- Contact DDM if your ability to achieve results/strategies is, or may be, impacted



End of Presentation:

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