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To Major Licensees/Woodlots

**RE: Visual Landscape Management**

Dear Sirs:

This letter is to formalize the Visual Management process and objectives that have been established for the Kamloops Forest District since the introduction of the Kamloops Land and Resource Management Plan (LRMP) in 1995.

A Visual Landscape Inventory was conducted over a large part of the district covering most of the scenic areas established through the LRMP.

The lakes LRUP also classified lakes and assigned them visual category for Resource Management. Due to the large number of lakes in the District, it has taken many years to complete the Visual Management objectives around these lakes. This task was recently completed in 2003.

This has completed the task of establishing visual quality objectives within scenic areas in the Kamloops Forest District.

As these areas have been completed, they have been vetted through the Forest Development Plans open houses and advertised to the public for input.

The District Manager then eventually signed them off and declared them as “known information, to then be used in the development of operational plans.

The process for visual quality update and changes is outlined in the March 8/2000 District Policy.



It should be mentioned that the LRMP (Appendix 8) continues to set the direction for Visual Management in the Kamloops TSA.

The latest digital visual information can be found at:  
<http://srmwww.gov.bc.ca/sir/fdp/index.html> and the known information page  
[http://srmwww.gov.bc.ca/sir/fdp/fdp\\_knowninfo.html](http://srmwww.gov.bc.ca/sir/fdp/fdp_knowninfo.html) .....

The information is currently available in IGDS and in the ARC VIEW in October 2003.

Yours truly,

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