



## BC Timber Sales Environmental Management System

### ENVIRONMENTAL FIELD PROCEDURE

## EFP 01 GENERAL

### Purpose and Scope

This EFP applies to all BCTS, Licensee, Permittee and Contractor workers involved in any field activities within the scope of the BCTS EMS, including all planning, harvesting, roads and silviculture related activity. It describes general requirements to minimize impacts on the environment. This EFP does not replace the requirements of legislation, licences, permits and contracts.

### Pre-work and General Procedures

- Complete a **pre-work** of the project plan with your supervisor.
  - Ensure you understand **your role** in the project plan prior to commencing work.
  - Obtain site maps, and prescriptions and other project documents. Have them readily available.
  - Know the **flagging or marking** standards.
- **Look ahead** and make sure that the project plan is appropriate.
  - **View the area** as required to familiarize yourself with the project plan including, map content, field marking and the location of hazardous or sensitive areas.
  - Ensure that all **resource features** identified on the site map can be located by you on the ground and are identified on the site map. Know the associated management strategies.
  - Report any previously unidentified resource features, values or sensitive areas to your supervisor.
- **Monitor your work** and ensure that the completed work has met the project objectives.
  - Conduct operations to minimize the impact on hazardous or sensitive areas, resource features, water quality, and site productivity. Operate during favourable weather conditions.
  - Have the site map available to you and **know your location** at all times.
  - Inspect equipment regularly and repair as required.
- **Keep the site clean and be prepared for emergencies**
  - Maintain all drainage systems. Fix or report any blocked drainages.
  - Ensure the safe transportation, storage, handling and disposal of fuel, oil and chemical products
  - Keep your equipment maintained to prevent any spills or leaks.
  - When a risk of fire exists, conduct operations in consideration of local fire restrictions and daily fire hazard ratings. Ensure that sufficient fire tools are available.
  - Understand the Emergency Response Plan and your responsibilities in it.
  - Maintain spill kits. Replace used supplies promptly.
- **Know the project shutdown criteria**, if applicable.
- **Contain and dispose of Industrial Waste (waste petroleum products, filters, batteries, coolant, etc.)**
  - Contain all waste daily and remove from the site on a regular basis. Recycle wastes if facilities are available. Dispose of wastes only at appropriate disposal facilities.
  - Provide waste storage areas and spill control measures to prevent contamination of the environment.

### STOP WORK

And contact your project supervisor or the BCTS representative if:

- You are uncertain of map content, field marking or the location of hazardous or sensitive areas.
- A previously unidentified cultural, resource feature, value or sensitive area is found.
- You experience unfavourable weather or site conditions that could cause environmental damage.
- You believe the project plan will not work.