EXEMPTION OF THE MINISTER OF FORESTS, LANDS, NATURAL RESOURCE OPERATIONS AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Forest and Range Practices Act

Stuart Nechako Forest District

I, Katrine Conroy, the Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development, hereby in part exempt persons required to prepare a Forest Stewardship Plan from the obligation to specify a result or strategy in relation to the objective set out in s. 7(1)(a) of the Forest Practices and Planning Regulation (B.C. Reg. 14/2004) and as further described in the notice *Indicators of the Amount, Distribution and Attributes of Wildlife Habitat Required for the Survival of Species at Risk in the Fort St. James Forest District* given on December 30, 2004. I am satisfied that the designation of wildlife habitat areas (WHAs) 7-016, 7-019 to 7-044, and 7-061 on August 12, 2021 and WHAs 7-045 to 7-056 and 7-059 to 7-060 on April 29, 2021 for caribou (*Rangifer tarandus*) addresses in part the indicators as included in the aforementioned notice. The amount remaining for northern caribou in the notice will be 3268 hectares of mature timber harvesting landbase.

March 31 , 2022	J - (
Date	Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations and Rural Development (or authorized signatory)
	James Jacklin, Director of Resource Management, Omineca
	Printed Name and Title (if authorized signatory)

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Authority under which Exemption is made:

Regulation and section:

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