



ORDER – Ungulate Winter Range # U-8-004 – Okanagan TSA

This order is given under the authority of sections 12(1) and 9(2) of the *Government Actions Regulation* (B.C. Reg. 582/2004).

The Deputy Minister of Environment orders that:

1. the ungulate winter range shown in the map set out in the attached Schedule A (#U-8-004) is established;
2. the ungulate winter range is established for mountain caribou (*Rangifer tarandus*);
3. the general wildlife measures outlined in Schedule 1 are established for the ungulate winter range as shown on the attached Schedule A;
4. where there is any discrepancy between the ungulate winter range boundaries shown in the attached Schedule A and the GIS file *tuwra_bc*, the boundaries as detailed in the GIS file will take precedent. The centre point of the line on the map denoting the ungulate winter range is what establishes the boundary;
5. for the purposes of section 2(3)(a) of the *Government Actions Regulation*, the general wildlife measures outlined in Schedule 1 apply to minor tenures;
6. woodlot licence agreements are exempt from this Order;
7. the general wildlife measures outlined in Schedule 1 do not apply for the purposes of exploration, development and production activities when these activities have been authorized for the purpose of subsurface resource exploration, development or production by the *Mineral Tenure Act*, the *Coal Act*, the *Mines Act*, the *Petroleum and Natural Gas Act*, the *Pipeline Act* or the *Geothermal Resources Act*; and
8. the general wildlife measures listed below do not apply to the extent they would prevent the following:
 - i. operations required for safety reasons, and
 - ii. recovery of timber damaged by fire, insects or other similar events.

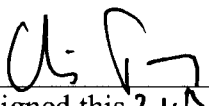
Definition:

Timber harvesting landbase refers to the timber harvesting landbase as defined in TSR 2.

Schedule 1 – General Wildlife Measures

Harvesting and silviculture

1. Forest practices will result in retention of 9,900 ha of timber harvest landbase as core caribou reserves with no forest harvesting or road building, in the portions of the mountain caribou habitat that overlaps with the Anstey, Eagle, Pukeashun and Seymour Landscape Units.
2. The 9,900 ha described in GWM 1 will be co-located with land area to be managed as oldgrowth management areas (OGMAs). GWMs 1 and 2 are rescinded when OGMAs are established.
3. For the period of September 1, 2000 to December 31, 2008, within the Anstey, Eagle, Pukeashun and Seymour Landscape Units outside of the core area is defined in GWM 1, no more than 2,925 ha of timber harvest will occur in age class 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 in ICH BEC units.
4. For the period of September 1, 2000 to December 31, 2008, within the Anstey, Eagle, Pukeashun and Seymour Landscape Units outside of the core area is defined in GWM 1, no more than 4,000 ha of timber harvest will occur in age class 8 and 9 in ESSF BEC units within the area of overlap described in GWM 1.
5. Silviculture treatments will not result in the conversion of forest cover to pure spruce stands.
6. Timber harvesting must not be carried out in sub-alpine parkland ecosystems.


Signed this 24th day of July, 2006
Chris Trumpy, Deputy Minister
Ministry of Environment

Appendix 1

The contents of this Appendix are not part of the legal Order U-8-004, and are intended to provide clarification or further information regarding the intent of the Order.

1. It is intended that Parks and Protected areas, contained within the boundary identified in the attached Schedule A, can contribute to the forest cover requirements for each management unit.
2. The intent of GWM 5 is to have silviculture practices result in a species composition that existed prior to forest harvest. As an example, this could be accomplished by focusing on the retention of non-spruce stems in Wildlife Tree Patches.