



ORDER – Wildlife Habitat Areas # 2-310 to 2-313, 2-315

Marbled Murrelet - Squamish Forest District

This order is given under the authority of sections 9(2) and 10(1) of the *Government Actions Regulation* (B.C. Reg. 582/04).

The Deputy Minister of Environment orders that:

1. the wildlife habitat areas shown in the map set out in the attached Schedule A (2-310 to 2-313 and 2-315) and boundaries contained in the GIS file *twha_bc* are established;
2. the wildlife habitat areas in the attached Schedule A and boundaries contained in the GIS file *twha_bc* are established for Marbled Murrelet (*Brachyramphus marmoratus*);
3. the general wildlife measures outlined in Schedule 1 are established for the wildlife habitat areas in the attached Schedule A and boundaries contained in the GIS file *twha_bc*;
4. for the purposes of section 2(3)(a) of the *Government Actions Regulation*, these General Wildlife Measures apply to minor tenures;
5. where there is discrepancy between the wildlife habitat area boundaries as shown in the attached Schedule As and the GIS file *twha_bc*, the boundaries as detailed in the GIS file will take precedent. The centre point of the line on the map denoting the wildlife habitat area is what establishes the boundary; and
6. pursuant to section 7(3) of the *Forest Planning and Practices Regulation* the person(s) required to prepare a forest stewardship plan are hereby exempted from the obligation to prepare results or strategies in relation to the objective set out in section 7(1) of the *Forest Planning and Practices Regulation* to the extent that wildlife habitat areas 2-310 to 2-313 and 2-315 address the amount included for Marbled Murrelet in the Notice for the Squamish Forest District. Including consideration of this order, the amount remaining for Marbled Murrelet in the Squamish Forest District, for the TSA portion of the Forest District, is 120 ha of mature THLB.

Schedule 1 – General Wildlife Measures

Access

- Do not construct or widen roads, trails or landings.
- An exemption would not be required for road maintenance, to address safety concerns, or for deactivation on existing roads within the WHA; nor to allow tailholds/guylines in the WHA associated with landings/cutblocks adjacent to the WHA boundary. Where roads in the WHA are permanently deactivated, proponents must notify the MOE Delegated Decision Maker.

Harvesting

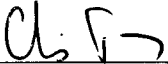
- No timber harvesting, except for salvage, is permitted within the WHA. Exemptions would only normally be considered to restore or enhance degraded habitat and to ensure windfirmness. An exemption would not be required to meet worker safety concerns (e.g. danger tree felling in the WHA) for harvesting/silviculture in cutblocks adjacent to the WHA.

Silviculture and Pesticides

- Do not use pesticides.

Recreation

- Do not develop recreational structures, trails, or facilities.


Signed this 28th day of Nov, 2007
Chris Trumpy, Deputy Minister
Ministry of Environment