



ORDER – Wildlife Habitat Area # 8-017

The following order applies to the area identified within the attached Schedule A and takes effect on the 2 day of December, 2004.

This order is given under the authority of sections 7(2) and 8(1) of the *Government Actions Regulation* (B.C. Reg. 17/04).

The Deputy Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection orders that:

1. the wildlife habitat area shown in the maps set out in the attached Schedule A 8-017) are established;
2. the wildlife habitat area in the attached Schedule A is established for White Headed Woodpecker (*Picoides albolarvatus*); and
3. the general wildlife measures outlined in Schedule 1 are established for the wildlife habitat area in the attached Schedule A:

Schedule 1 – General Wildlife Measures

Access

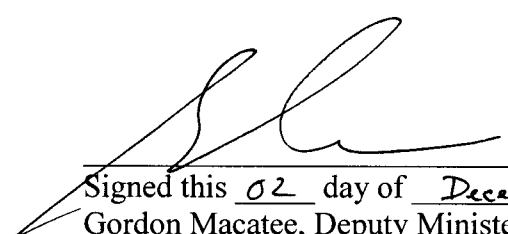
- Do not construct roads. Deactivate and/or close temporary roads immediately after logging.

Harvesting and silviculture

- Do not salvage timber. When harvesting is approved follow the measures below. Protect and retain all ponderosa pine live and dead trees ≥ 50 cm dbh. Ensure recruitment of ponderosa pine > 50 cm dbh.
- Maintain at least six standing dead trees/ha. Where it is not possible to retain six ≥ 60 cm, use the largest available. The highest practical density of snags is preferred. Hazardous snags or trees can be incorporated into group reserves (plan as no work zones if appropriate); otherwise, maintain snags within the operational setting as described in the Wildlife/Danger Tree Assessor's Course Workbook.
- Use partial cutting silvicultural systems to maintain 40–70% canopy cover, late seral ponderosa pine. On average, removal should be 35% but may be greater where Douglas-fir makes up a greater percentage of the stand. Group selection (openings 0.5 ha), with group reserves, or single tree selection with group reserves are the recommended silvicultural systems. Thin young stands to maximize growth and cone production of retained trees. When thinning, retain aspen.
- Replant with ponderosa pine.

Pesticides

- Do not use pesticides unless an exemption is approved by the delegated decision maker.



Signed this 02 day of December, 2004

Gordon Macatee, Deputy Minister

Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection