



ORDER – UNGULATE WINTER RANGE #U1-008

On being satisfied that the establishment of the ungulate winter range dealt with in this order is necessary to meet the habitat requirements of the ungulate species, and that the management objectives dealt with in this order are necessary to maintain the ungulate species within those areas, and under the authority of section 69 (1) (a) and (b) of the Operational and Site Planning Regulation, B.C. Reg. 107/98, the Deputy Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection orders that

1. the ungulate winter range shown in the map set out in the attached Schedule A (#U1-008) is established;
2. the ungulate winter range referred to in section 1 is approved for black-tailed deer (*Odocoileus hemionus columbianus*) and mountain goat (*Oreamnos americanus*); and
3. the following practices are established as management objectives inside the ungulate winter range referred to in section 1:

Goal

To maintain or enhance the existing combination of topographic and vegetative features within the designated ungulate winter ranges. ~~Forest management activities must ensure that adjacent ungulate winter ranges are not adversely affected by foreseeable impacts including wind throw and fire.~~

Objective 1

MWALP Statutory Decision Maker recognizes that industrial access is required through specific UWRs listed in (a) and may be required in UWRs in general as identified in (b) to access timber beyond the UWR. These industrial activities may include specific land modification activities such as road construction, road maintenance, road deactivation, bridge and culvert construction, construction of rock quarries and gravel pits, falling of danger tree along road right of ways.

- a) UWR units 1, 2, 3, 7, 12, 22, 28, 31, 32, 33, and 36 require future logging road access through them and a variance for this activity will not be required from the MWALP Statutory Decision Maker or designate. The holder of TFL 45 ~~agrees to ensure that UWR values are maintained and will be incorporated into road construction plans.~~
- b) If due to unforeseen circumstances, road access is required through an UWR not listed in (a), and no other practicable option exists, approval for road access that is consistent with the UWR management objectives will be provided by the MWALP Statutory Decision Maker or designate as long as the quality of the UWR value is not significantly affected or can be mitigated.

Objective 2

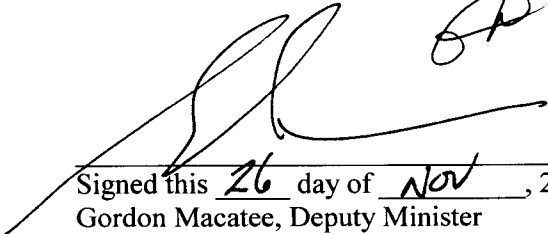
Harvesting is not to occur within the designated ungulate winter ranges, with the exception of objective 1 and 4, unless a variance is approved by the MWALP Statutory Decision Maker or designate. A variance would only normally be considered for the purposes of enhancing the quality of the winter range.

Objective 3

Salvage harvesting is not to occur within the designated ungulate winter ranges, unless a variance is approved by the MWALP Statutory Decision Maker or designate.

Objective 4

Road maintenance, road deactivation, felling of danger trees or brushing and clearing on existing roads to address worker safety is allowed. Felling of danger trees, felling for guy line clearance, felling of tail hold anchor tress along cutblock boundaries to address worker safety is allowed. Any trees that must be felled within a UWR will be left onsite to provide coarse woody debris, unless the felled tree lies outside the UWR. The holder of TFL 45 ^{will} agrees to ensure that UWR values are maintained and will be incorporated when addressing worker safety concerns.



Signed this 26 day of Nov, 2003
Gordon Macatee, Deputy Minister
Ministry of Water, Land and Air Protection