Tla’amin Timber Products Ltd. and Thichum Forest Products Limited Partnership

Forest Stewardship Plan

Community Forest Agreement K3P and Non-Replaceable Forest License A98255

Sunshine Coast Natural Resource District

Forest Operations

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1. FOREST STEWARDSHIP PLAN

This Forest Stewardship Plan (FSP) covers Forest Development Units 1, 2 and 3 located within the Territories of the Tla'amin Nation, Klahoose Nation, Homalco Nation, shíshálh Nation, K'omoks Nation and the We Wai Kum Nation, on the Sunshine Coast of British Columbia.

The FSP is a landscape level plan, which focuses on establishing results and strategies for conserving and protecting important cultural values, supporting ecosystem integrity, and providing environmental and human well-being benefits from forest management activities. The FSP states measurable or verifiable, enforceable results and strategies that are consistent with objectives set under the *Forest and Range Practices Act of British Columbia* (FRPA) and associated regulations and a commitment to the measures outlined in the *Tla'amin Forest Resource Plan,* V1.0 dated August 14, 2024, or as amended, as established by the Executive Council of the Tla'amin Nation.

The Tla'amin Nation Forest Resource Plan (FRP) was developed to guide resource management across ʔəms gi̓ɟɛ (Tla'amin Territory). The FRP is guided by Tla'amin taʔow (teachings) and we raise our hands to our Ancestors whose teachings continue to guide our responsibility and relationship to ʔəms gi̓ɟɛ.

The FRP describes Tla'amin's commitment to sustainable forest resource management throughout ʔəms gi̓ɟɛ. It aims to balance economic development with sustainable forest management practices, while integrating values related to good stewardship.

The measures in the FRP are intended to protect core Tla'amin cultural values, support ecosystem integrity, and provide environmental benefits by maintaining the diversity and abundance of life across the ʔəms gi̓ɟɛ. Human well-being will be safeguarded through policies and initiatives designed to achieve socio-economic benefits, including a positive carbon benefit, and timber harvest levels that will support a viable forest industry.

The FRP measures are intended to complement, not replace, existing provincial and federal legislation and associated regulations. Where there is conflict between FRP measures and provincial and federal legislation and regulations, the intent is to manage the resource to the higher standard.

Through this FSP, the Holders are committed to managing the land base in such a manner as to meet Provincial legal requirements and non-legal requirements established under the FRP. Table 1 highlights applicable FRP measures that apply.

Table 1 – Tla'amin Forest Resource Plan Measures

FDU	FRP Section	Measure
All FDU	Part 2, Division 1	2(1)(2), 3(1)(2)(3)
	Part 2, Division 2	4(1)(2)(3)(4), 5(1)(2)(3), 6(1)(2)(3)
	Part 2, Division 3	7(1)(2), 8(1)(2)(3)(4)(5)(6)(7), 9(1)(2)(3), 10(1)(2)(3)
	Part 2, Division 4	11(1)(2), 12(1)(2)(3), 13(1)(2)(3), 14(1)(2)(3)
	Part 2, Division 5	15(1)(2)(3)
	Part 3, Division 2	2(1)

	Part 3, Division 3	1(a)(b)(c)
	Part 3, Division 4	4(1)
	Part 3, Division 5	5(1)
	Part 4	3(1)(2)(3)(4)(5), 5(1)(2)(3)(4)(5), 6(1)(2)(3), 4(a)(b)
	Part 6	1 (Transition)

To ensure that the objectives and measures under this FSP are achieved, the Holder will work collaboratively and in cooperation with other licensees in shared landscape units and watersheds covered by FDU 1, 2 and 3. Where formal agreements by the parties have not be initiated, the Holder will apply proportional targets applicable to FDU 1, 2 and 3 and complete an analysis to ensure that the representative amount consistent with the objective or measure is maintained. Transition to FRP measures will occur over time. It's expected that all new blocks and road proposed after the approval date of this FSP to be in conformance with the measures outline in Table 1.

2. CLARIFICATIONS

"Holder" means the holders of the agreements as identified in Section 3, Table 1.

"practicable" is as intended in FRPA General Bulletin Number 3, dated June 9, 2005.

In this FSP, where terms are used which are defined in the *Tla'amin Forest Resource Plan (FRP)*, *Forest and Range Practices Act* (FRPA) or the *Forest Planning and Practices Regulation* (FPPR), the definition of the term is as per the FRPA, associated Regulation and FRP. Where there is confusion or conflict between the FRP, FPRA or the FPPR, the order of precedence is as follows: FRPA, then the FPPR, then FRP.

References to the Forest and Range Practices Act (FRPA) and the Forest Planning and Practices Regulation (FPPR) refer to the legislation as it was on the date of submission of this FSP.

As per the letter dated February 5th, 2025, addressed to the District Manager, consistent with FPPR section 14(4), the following blocks and roads are declared areas and will be managed consistent with the existing approved FSP.

Blocks: B112, B120, B121, B122, B125, B111A, B111A1, B111B

Roads: B112, BR1-196, B121, B125, B111A, B111A-1, B111A-2, B111A-3, B111A-4, B111AA, B111B, B111B-1, B111B-2, B111B-3, B111B-4, B111B-5, B111B-6, B111B-7

It is understood that the mechanism in the FPPR to declare areas will cease after January 1st, 2026. Declared areas not under CP/RP after January 1st, 2026, will be managed consistent with this new FSP.

3. APPLICATION, TERM AND COMMENCEMENT OF TERM OF THE FSP

3.1 Application of this FSP (FRPA Section 3(4))

Community Forest Agreement K3P and Non-Replaceable Forest License A98255.

3.2. Date of Submission

The date of submission of this Forest Stewardship Plan (FSP) is December 6, 2024.

3.3. Term of the FSP (FRPA Section 6(1)(a))

The term of this FSP is five years.

3.4. Commencement of Term (FRPA Section 6 (1)(b))

The term of this FSP commences on the date specified by the Minister or their Delegated Decision Maker in approving the plan.

4. HOLDERS AND AGREEMENTS THAT APPLY

This FSP applies to all new cutblocks, and roads associated with Community Forest Agreement Licence K3P cutting permit ZC and ZCS (salvage).

The FSP will also apply to the Agreements listed in Table 2 and cutting permits and road permits issued, or granted, in the Sunshine Coast Natural Resource District, that is issued or granted:

(a) after the Commencement Date of this FSP; and
(b) within the Forest Development Units (FDU).

Table 2 - Application of this Forest Stewardship Plan

Holder	Agreement
Tla'amin Timber Products Ltd.	Community Forest Agreement Licence K3P
Thichum Forest Products Limited Partnership	Non-Replaceable Forest License A98255

5. MAP (FRPA Section 5 (1)(a)) AND FPPR SECTION 14

5.1. Map

The FSP Map appended to this document (Appendix 2) shows FDU 1, FDU 2 and FDU 3 and other features of the FSP area at a 1:50,000 scale.

5.2. FDUs in Effect on the Date of Submission of this FSP (FPPR Section 14(1)(b))

FDUs in effect on the date of submission of the FSP are FDU 1, FDU 2 and FDU 3.

5.3. Designations in Effect Four Months Prior to the Date of Submission of this FSP (FPPR Section 14(2)(ii))

The FSP map shows the requirements as listed in section 14(3)(a-h, j) of the FPPR and applicable FRP Schedules which are within FDUs and were in effect on the Date of Submission. The FPPR section 14(3)(a-h, j) and FRP Schedule designation requirements are also listed in Table 3, below.

Table 3 - FPPR section 14(3)(a-h, j) requirements in FDU 1, FDU 2 and FDU 3

FDU	Type of Designation	Date Designated and Comments
All	FPPR Section 14(3)(a) Ungulate Winter Range	None designated
FDU 1 FDU 2 FDU 3	FPPR Section 14(3)(b) Wildlife Habitat Area	WHA #2-077 to 2-082 (Marbled Murrelet) dated, June 11, 2002 None designated WHA #2-250 (Vananda Creek limnetic and benthic sticklebacks) dated, October 7, 2013
All	FPPR Section 14(3)(c) Fisheries sensitive watersheds	None designated
All	FPPR Section 14(3)(d) Lakeshore management area	None designated
All	FPPR Section 14(3)(e) Scenic Areas & VQOs	Sunshine Coast Natural Resource District Scenic Areas and VQOs established through Ministerial Order No. M299,

		dated Sept. 15, 2022
All	FPPR Section 14(3)(f) Identified L1 Lake	None designated
FDU 1 FDU 2 FDU 3	FPPR Section 14(3)(g) Community watershed FPPR Section 14(3)(g) Community watershed FPPR Section 14(3)(g) Community watershed	Sliammon Lake Community Watershed dated, October 22, 1999, and Thulin Lake Community Watershed dated, August 18, 2011 Haslam/Lang Community Watershed dated, May 15, 1996 Priest Lake Community Watershed dated, October 22, 1999, Cranby Community Watershed dated, June 15, 1995, and Ball Park Community Watershed dated October 22, 1999.
FDU 1 FDU 2	FPPR Section 14(3)(h) Old growth management area (OGMA) FPPR Section 14(3)(h) Old growth management area (OGMA)	Bunster Landscape Unit Plan effective, September 22, 2000 Lois Landscape Unit Plan effective, December 2, 2002
All	FPPR Section 14(3)(i) Area in which timber harvesting is prohibited by another enactment	None designated
All	FPPR Section 14(3)(j)&(k)	Two cutting permits (CP), titled CP ZC and CP ZCS, cover a portion FDU1 and FDU 2. These permits are held by the Holder and in effect on the Date of Submission of the FSP for approval. Road Permit R17412 is held on the Date of Submission of the FSP for Approval.

6. UNDERTAKINGS, RESULTS AND STRATEGIES

6.1 Land Use Objectives

6.1.1 The following objectives were established under sections 3 to 5 of the FPC.

6.1.2 Order Establishing Provincial Non-Spatial Old Growth Objectives

The “Order Establishing Provincial Non-Spatial Old Growth Objectives”, (effective June 30, 2004), clarifies the amount of area available for timber harvesting. This order supplements, but does not replace, FPPR Section 9.

FDU	Result for Old Growth Objectives
Haslam Landscape Unit FDU 2 (portion) Texada LU all of FDU 3	<u>Approach to Harvesting and Roads</u> 1. The Holder will, when constructing roads or harvesting timber under this FSP do so in a manner consistent with the “Order Establishing Provincial Non-Spatial Old Growth Objectives”, (effective June 30, 2004).

6.1.3 Order(s) Establishing Landscape Unit Objectives

FDU	Old Growth Objectives
Bunster Landscape Unit all of FDU 1 Lois Landscape Unit FDU 2 (portion)	The Holder will, when constructing a road or harvesting timber under this FSP, do so in a manner consistent with the following approved landscape units and Established Objectives: "Order to Establish a Landscape Unit and Objectives - Bunster Landscape Unit", effective September 22, 2000. "Order to Establish a Landscape Unit and Objectives - Lois Landscape Unit", effective December 2, 2002.

6.1.4 Order for the Establishment of Scenic Areas and Visual Quality Objectives for the Sunshine Coast Natural Resource District

FDU	Strategy for Scenic Areas and Visual Quality Objectives
All FDUs	**Approach to Harvesting and Roads** 1. The Holder will, when harvesting timber in a scenic area established through Ministerial Order No. M299 for the Sunshine Coast Natural Resource District, effective September 15, 2022, do so in a manner consistent with the: (a) the established Visual Quality Objective (VQO) for visual quality polygon(s) in a scenic area using good visual design and be assessed at the landform scale, and (b) be completed by a Qualified Professional utilizing current assessment methodology and information. 1.2 For the purpose of paragraph 1 of this strategy, the visual quality polygons are those identified in the Visual Landscape Inventory for the "Sunshine Coast Forest District Scenic Area".

6.2 Objectives Prescribed Under FRPA Section 149

6.2.1 Soils (FPPR Section 5)

The objective set by government for soils is to conserve the productivity and the hydrologic function of the soils.

FDU	Undertaking Under FPPR Section 12.1(1)
All FDUs	The Holder, when constructing road or harvesting timber under this FSP, undertakes to comply with FPPR Section 35 and Section 36.

6.2.2 Wildlife (FPPR Section 7)

The objective set by government for wildlife is to conserve sufficient wildlife habitat in terms of amount of area, distribution of areas and attributes of those areas, for

a) The survival of species at risk,
b) The survival of regionally important wildlife, and
c) The winter survival of specified ungulate species

FDU	Result for Coastal Tailed Frog (*Asaphus truei*)
All FDUs	<u>Approach to Harvesting and Roads</u> If the Holder harvests timber or builds road in the area to which the Section 7 Notice titled, “Indicators of the Amount, Distribution and Attributes of Wildlife Habitat Required for the Survival of Species at Risk in the Sunshine Coast Forest District”, dated March 2, 2006 applies, the Holder will not reduce the amount or distribution of habitat for Coastal Tailed Frog below that specified in the relevant Section 7 Notice.

FDU	Result for Northern Goshawk (*Accipiter gentilis laingi)*
All FDUs	<u>Approach to Harvesting and Roads</u> 1. If the Holder harvests timber or builds road in the area to which the Section 7 Notice titled, “Indicators of the Amount, Distribution and Attributes of Wildlife Habitat Required for the Survival of Species at Risk in the Sunshine Coast Forest District”, dated March 2, 2006 applies, the Holder will not reduce the amount or distribution of habitat for Northern Goshawk below that specified in the relevant Section 7 Notice. 2. In addition to subsection 1, nest surveys will be completed for proposed areas by a Qualified Professional when there is a high likelihood of a nest site being in an area proposed for development. A high likelihood is based on there being an existing known nest site in the area, during field work a bird is identified or other information is made available to the Holder that would determine a nest is in the area. 3. Further to subsection 2, the Holder will work collaboratively with Ministry staff to the extent practicable to achieve the habitat protection required for Northern Goshawk as outlined in the District Manager expectation letter dated March 26, 2019.

FDU	Strategy for Marbled Murrelet
All FDUs	<u>Approach to Harvesting</u> 1. Within areas to which the *Notice – Indicators or the Amount, Distribution and Attributes of Wildlife Habitat Required for the Survival of Marbled Murrelet (Brachyramphus marmoratus)*, effective December 2, 2021 and established under section 7(2) of the FPPR (B.C. Reg 14/04) and the *Order for the Recovery of Marbled Murrelet (Brachyramphus marmoratus)*, effective December 2, 2021 and established under section 93.4 of the Land Act applies, the Holder will:

	a) retain all timber within suitable habitat polygons shown in Schedule 5 map of the *Order for the Recovery of Marbled Murrelet (Brachyramphus marmoratus)*.

Vananda Creek Sticklebacks (*Gasterosteus sp. 16 & sp. 17*)
Vananda Creek limnetic and benthic sticklebacks Wildlife Habitat Area 2-250 is shown on the FSP Map and approved through Order – Wildlife Habitat Area: 2-250. Pursuant to section 7(3) of the *Forest Planning and Practices Regulation* a person required to prepare a forest stewardship plan is exempt from the obligation to prepare results or strategies in relation to the objectives set out in section 7(1) of the *Forest Planning and Practices Regulation* for Vananda Creek limnetic and benthic sticklebacks in the Sunshine Coast District.

6.2.3 Water, Fish, Wildlife & Biodiversity within Riparian Areas (FPPR Section 8)

Objective set by government for water, fish, wildlife, and biodiversity within riparian areas is to conserve, at the landscape level, the water quality, fish habitat, wildlife habitat, and biodiversity associated with those riparian areas.

FDU	Undertaking Under FPPR Section 12.1(2) and/or 12.3
All FDUs	When constructing road or harvesting timber under this FSP, the Holder undertakes to comply with Section 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52(2), and 53 of the FPPR.

FDU	Strategy for Retention of Trees in a Riparian Management Zone FPPR Section 12(3)
All FDUs	<u>Approach to Harvesting and Roads</u> 1. The Holder will, when harvesting timber or building road in a riparian management zone (RMZ), specify varying amounts of retention that will be maintained in the RMZ. 2. The amount and types of trees to be retained in the RMZ will be: a) determined in the field by a Qualified Professional; and b) be specified in a plan prior to harvesting timber or building road; and c) will reflect the factors outlined in FPPR Schedule 1 Section 2.

6.2.4 Fisheries Sensitive Watersheds (FPPR Section 8.1)

1. In this section **"Fisheries Sensitive Watershed"** means an area identified in Schedule 2 of the FPPR,
a) with significant downstream fisheries values continued under section 180 (f) of the FRPA and significant watershed sensitivity continued under section 180 (g) of the FRPA, and
b) for which there is no fisheries sensitive watershed objective.

2) Until December 31, 2005, the objective set by government for fish habitat in fisheries sensitive watersheds is to prevent to the extent described in subsection (3) the cumulative hydrological effects of primary forest activities in the fisheries sensitive watershed from resulting in a material adverse impacts on the habitat of the fish species for which the fisheries sensitive watershed was established.

4) If satisfied that the objective set out in subsection (2) is not required to provide special management, the minister responsible for the *Wildlife Act* must exempt a person from the requirement to specify a result or strategy in relation to the objective.

5) If satisfied that the objective set out in subsection (2) is addressed, in whole or in part, by an enactment, the minister responsible for the *Wildlife Act* must exempt a person from the requirement to specify a result or strategy in relation to the objective set out in subsection (2) to the extent that the objective is already addressed.

FDU	Fisheries Sensitive Watersheds
All FDUs	No Fisheries Sensitive Watersheds are included within any of the FDUs.

6.2.5 Community Watersheds (FPPR Section 8.2)

1. In this section, **"community watershed"** means a community watershed
a) that is continued under section 180 (e) of the FRPA, and
b) for which a water quality objective has not been
    i) continued under section 181 of the FRPA, or
    ii) established under the Government Actions Regulation.

2) The objective set by government for water being diverted for human consumption through licenced waterworks in a community watershed is to prevent to the extent described in subsection 3 the cumulative hydrological effects of primary forest activities within the community watershed from resulting in

a) a material adverse impact on the quantity of water or the timing of the flow of the water to the waterworks, or
b) the water from the waterworks having a material adverse impact on human health that cannot be addressed by water treatment required under
    (i) an enactment, or
    (ii) the licence pertaining to the waterworks.

4) If satisfied that the objective set out in subsection 2 is not required to provide special management the Minister responsible for the *Wildlife Act* must exempt a person from the requirement to specify a result or strategy in relation to the objective.

5) If satisfied that the objective set out in subsection 2 is addressed, in whole or in part, by an enactment, the Minister responsible for the *Wildlife Act* must exempt a person from the requirement to specify a result or strategy in relation to the objective set out in subsection 2 to the extent that the objective is already addressed.

FDU	Strategy for Community Watersheds
All FDUs	<u>Approach to Primary Forest Activities</u> 1. Primary forest activities within a Community Watershed will be consistent with Sections 59, 60, 61, 62 and 63 of the FPPR. 2. Prior to the commencement of a primary forest activity within a Community Watershed a watershed assessment will be completed by a Qualified Professional and the recommendations will be followed.

6.2.6 Wildlife and Biodiversity - landscape level (FPPR Section 9)

The objective set by government for wildlife and biodiversity at the landscape level is, to the extent practicable, to design areas on which timber harvesting is to be carried out that resemble, both spatially and temporally, the patterns of natural disturbances that occur within the landscape.

FDU	Undertaking under the FPPR Section 12.1 (3)
All FDUs	When constructing road or harvesting timber under this FSP, the Holder undertakes to comply with FPPR section 64 and 65.

6.2.7 Wildlife and Biodiversity - stand level (FPPR Section 9.1)

The objective set by government for wildlife and biodiversity at the stand level is to retain wildlife trees.

FDU	Undertaking Under FPPR Section 12.1(4)
Haslam Landscape Unit within FDU 2 and all of FDU 3	When constructing a road or harvesting timber under this FSP, the Holder undertakes to comply with section 67 of the FPPR.

<table>
<tr><td>FDU</td><td>Conditional Exemption Under FPPR Section 12.5 (1) - Wildlife Tree Retention Area</td></tr>
<tr><td>Haslam Landscape Unit FDU 2 (portion) and FDU 3</td><td>Approach to Harvesting
1. The Holder will, when harvesting timber under this FSP, do so in a manner consistent with:

(a) the area covered by Wildlife Tree Retention Area that relates to cutblocks harvested during any 12-month period beginning on April 1 of any calendar year, is a minimum of 7% of the total area of all cutblocks harvested during that period; and

(b) the minimum Wildlife Tree Retention Area associated within any cutblock is:

<table><tr><td>Total Cutblock Area (Ha.)</td><td>Minimum WTRA % Retention</td></tr><tr><td>Cutblocks < 5.0 ha. in size</td><td>0%</td></tr><tr><td>Cutblocks ≥ 5.0 ha. in size</td><td>3.5%</td></tr></table>
(c) For the purposes of subsection (a) and (b), a Wildlife Tree Retention Area may relate to more than one cutblock if all the cutblocks that relate to the Wildlife Tree Retention Area collectively meet the applicable requirements of this section.</td></tr>
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6.2.8 Visual Quality (FPPR Section 9.2)

The objective set by government in relation to visual quality for a scenic area, that was established on or before October 24, 2002, and for which there is no visual quality objective is to ensure that the altered forest landscape for the scenic area:

a) in visual sensitivity class 1 is in either the preservation or retention category,
b) in visual sensitivity class 2 is in either the retention or partial retention category,
c) in visual sensitivity class 3 is in either the partial retention or modification category,
d) in visual sensitivity class 4 is in either the partial retention or modification category,
e) in visual sensitivity class 5 is in either the modification or maximum modification category.

FDU	Result or Strategy – None Required
None	Scenic Areas and Visual Quality Objectives have been established for the Sunshine Coast Forest District through Ministerial Order No. M299, dated Sept. 15, 2022. The objective set by government in relation to visual quality pertaining to FPPR S.9.2 therefore does not apply.

6.2.9 Cultural Heritage Resources (FPPR Section 10)

The objective set by government for cultural heritage resources (FPPR Section 10) is to conserve, or, if necessary, protect cultural heritage resources that are:

a) the focus of a traditional use by an aboriginal people that is of continuing importance to that people, and

b) not regulated under the Heritage Conservation Act.

FDU	Strategy for Cultural Heritage Resources
All FDUs	**Approach to Harvesting, Roads and Silviculture** 1. The Holder of this FSP will, when harvesting timber, constructing road or completing silviculture activities that are likely to impact a cultural heritage resource, under this FSP, do so in a manner consistent with: (a) Conserving or if necessary, protecting cultural heritage resources that are; (i) the focus of a traditional use by an affected Nation that is of continuing importance to that Nation, and are determined to be important, valuable and scarce; (ii) not regulated under the Heritage Conservation Act or are not conserved and protected by other arrangements; (iii) likely to be adversely impacted by the activities of the Holder; and (iv) capable of being addressed in the context of this FSP. (b) A cultural heritage resource that is the focus of a continued traditional use by an affected Nation and is determined to be important, valuable and proven to be scarce will be determined through: (i) information sharing between the Holder and the Nation prior to the review and comment period, outlined in Section 21 of the FPPR for this FSP; or (ii) information received from the Nation within the time period described in sub-section 20(2) of the FPPR; or (iii) information forwarded to the Holder, by government or the Nation prior to submission for approval of this FSP; and (iv) is consistent with the timber harvesting rights in the Agreement(s) to which this FSP pertains.

	4. Engagement with the Tla'amin Nation for all proposed developments located within the Tla'amin Nation territory will follow measures outlined in Part 2, Division 1, Section 2(1)(2) of the Tla'amin Nation Forest Resource Plan Version 1.0, dated August 14, 2024, or as amended. 5.The following process will be used to information share with the Klahoose Nation, Homalco Nation, shíshálh Nation, K'omoks Nation and We Wai Kum Nations. The affected Nation(s) will be provided the opportunity to review timber harvesting, road building and silviculture activities that are likely to impact a cultural heritage resource, prior to development occurring. (a) The Holder will send a description and maps of the proposed development and any applicable assessments to the affected Nation(s) with a request for new or additional cultural heritage resource information. (b) If requested by a Nation, the Holder will have a Preliminary Archaeological Field Reconnaissance survey completed for areas proposed for development. (c) New information received from a Nation or the Province within 30 days will be reviewed by the Holder in the context to which the proposed development areas will impact the identified cultural heritage resource. (d) The Holder will work with the Nation to determine what options, if any, exist to mitigate the impacts from proposed road construction and /or harvesting activities. (e) The Nation and the Province will be notified in writing by the Holder, as to what actions, if any, will be taken to conserve and/or protect identified cultural heritage resource values that are defined under 1(a) of this section. 3. To the extent that the criteria in paragraph 1 above have been met, for identified cultural heritage resource values, the following strategies apply: (a) Cultural Cedar: To ensure a supply of cedar as a cultural heritage resource, the Holder will: (i) plant cedar on ecologically suitable sites within all FDUs. (ii) provide reasonable assistance to a Nation to obtain an amount of monumental cedar trees, consistent with past usage, that are suitable for cultural purposes; and

	(iii) assist in identifying sites suitable for cedar bark stripping and root digging. (b) Medicinal Plant Species: The Holder will provide reasonable assistance to a Nation or Nation member(s) to obtain or access rare or scarce medicinal plants if they request the opportunity. (c) If a site has been identified, and determined to be scarce, the Holder, will not harvest timber, and will not construct a road over the site unless there are no other practicable options.

6.3 Objectives Continued Under FRPA Section 181

6.3.1 Objective set for Recreation Sites and Trails

The following list of recreation sites and trails has been established under the Forest Practices Code and grandparented under Section 180 of the FRPA.

Recreation Sites and Trails
Appleton Creek Recreation Site and Trail, Recreation Project 900-0489, Effective January 16, 1996
Lost Lake Trail, Recreation Project 900-3006, Effective Feb 8, 1985
Lang Creek Forest Service Recreation Site, Project 900-0494, Effective July 31, 1999
Lang Creek Trail, Project 900-3021, Effective January 28, 1999

Objectives: Refer to the “Order to Establish Recreation Sites and Trails, in the Sunshine Coast Forest District”, effective July 31, 1998, and the “Order to Establish Objectives for a Recreational Site, Recreational Trail or Interpretative Forest Site”, effective July 31, 1999.

FDU	Strategy for Recreation Resources
All FDUs	**Approach to Harvesting and Roads** 1. The Holder will not construct road or harvest timber within a recreation site or trail established through order for: • “Appleton Creek Recreation Site and Trail, Recreation Project 900-0489”, effective January 16, 1996, • “Lost Lake Trail, Recreation Project 900-3006”, effective Feb

	8, 1985, • "Lang Creek Forest Service Recreation Site, Project 900-0494", effective July 31, 1999", and • "Lang Creek Trail, Project 900-3021", effective January 28, 1999 2. When the Holder is constructing road or harvesting timber near or adjacent to a recreation site or trail referenced above: a) the Holder, will use harvesting and road construction practices such as good visual design that maintain the recreation value for which the site was intended and will ensure that the primary forest activity does not damage or render ineffective the resource feature.

6.3.2 Resource Features: Recreation Sites, Recreation Trail, Trail-based Recreation Area or Interpretive Forest Site (FPPR S. 70(1))

FDU	Result for Recreation Sites, Recreation Trail, Trail-based Recreation Area or Interpretive Forest Site (FPPR S.70(1))
ALL FDU	1. In this practice requirement, all primary forest activities carried out by the Holder will be in accordance with FPPR S.70(1), *"to not damage or render ineffective a recreation site, recreation trail, trail-based recreation area or interpretive forest site"*. 2. In addition to section 1 above, the Holder will work cooperatively with qathet Parks and Wilderness Society (qPAWS) recreational user group in the realization of the established management principles (Dated December 8th, 2009) for the Sunshine Coast Trail and with the Qathet Regional Cycling Association to realize trail-based recreation opportunities in the Mount Mahoney area.

6.3.3 Resource Features: Karst (FPPR S. 70, GAR 5(1))

FDU	Result for Karst
All FDU	1. Prior to conducting primary forest activities in the areas having karst potential the Holder will: (a) complete a karst survey of the area utilizing a Qualified Professional, and (b) protect karst features identified in a survey or identified during primary forest activities that are a karst cave, significant surface karst feature or important feature and element within very high or high vulnerability karst terrain.

7. STOCKING STANDARDS (FPPR Section 16)

7.1 Situations or Circumstances that determine whether Free Growing is assessed on a Block Basis or Across Block(s)

FPPR Section 44 (1) applies in all situations or circumstances under the FSP where a free growing stand is required to be established under FRPA Section 29.

7.2 Regeneration Date and Stocking Standards, Free Growing Height

Appendix 1: Stocking Standards of this FSP specifies the regeneration date, free growing stand height and stocking standards for the situations and circumstances where FPPR section 44(1) apply.

7.3 Situations and Circumstances that Determine When FPPR Section 44(4) Apply and the Applicable Standards a per FPPR Section 16(4)

Where intermediate cuts, commercial thinning or harvesting of special forest products other than wood chips or hogged tree material occurs as per FPPR Section 44(3)(h) and (i), the Stocking Standards will be maintained for a period of at least 12 months following the completion of harvest on the area which timber harvesting took place.

8. MEASURES TO PREVENT THE INTRODUCTION AND SPREAD OF INVASIVE PLANTS

As per FPPR Section 17 “... a person who prepares a forest stewardship plan must specify measures in the plan to prevent the introduction or spread of species of plants that are invasive plants under the Invasive Plants Regulation, if the introduction or spread is likely to be the result of the person's forest practices.”

FDU	Measure for Invasive Plants
All FDUs	The Holder, will use three complementary strategies to counter the introduction or spread of invasive plant species, likely to be the result of the Holder’s forest practices: 1) prevention.

	2) detection of invasive plants that elude prevention; and 3) management or elimination of invasive plants **Prevention** Prevention Through Awareness The Holder's forester will review the most up to date Invasive Plant Program website and review identification, control and best management practices for invasive plants (Refer to: Invasive Species Council of BC – Preventing the Spread of Invasive Species During Forest Management Activities.) Prevention Through Avoidance Preventative measures to minimize the occurrence and spread of invasive plants will include: ● The Holder will ascertain known locations of invasive plants prior to site or soil disturbance by conducting an invasive plant query using the Invasive BC website (InvasivesBC website) and will include results in applicable documentation. ● The Holder will grass seed exposed soil following soil disturbance where the introduction or spread of invasive plants is likely to occur. The application of grass seed will be timed compatible with weather and season and will be applied on an as needed bases until the seed takes. Grass seeding will be documented through inspections. Grass seed mixtures will be certified seed and have the following attributes: a) high sod-forming content except in areas that are planted with tree seedlings, b) certified by the Canadian Seed Growers Association i. that the seed meets Common #1 Forage Grade or better standards for varietal purity established by the Association for seed of that kind of species (Seeds Act, Seeds Regulation S. 2(1)), c) and is of native origin. ● Best management practice information from the Invasive Species Council of BC – Preventing the Spread of Invasive Species During Forest Management Activities., for the identification, spread and what to do in the event you encounter an invasive plant will be included in the pre-work information package and reviewed with crews prior to starting work.

	Detection of Invasive Plants that Elude Prevention Invasive plants will be detected through observation, reforestation surveys, and through inspections of operations. When discovered, invasive plants will be mapped and reported to Invasive Species B.C. online at https://forms.gov.bc.ca/industry/report-an-invasive-species/ or by phone at 1-888-933-3722 (ISCBC) **Management or Elimination of Invasive Plants** If an invasive plant is discovered and if the introduction or spread is likely to be the result of the Holder's forest practices, then: ● An invasive plant treatment plan will be developed and implemented. ● The Holder will monitor the effectiveness of the treatment, repeating the treatment if necessary until it is effective. ● The Holder will report monitoring and invasive plant treatment information into the Invasive Species B.C. This will serve as documentation.

9. MEASURES TO MITIGATE THE EFFECT OF REMOVING OR RENDERING INEFFECTIVE NATURAL RANGE BARRIERS.

Under Section 48 of FRPA and Section 18 of FPPR, an FSP must specify measures to mitigate the effect of removing or rendering ineffective natural range barriers.

FDU	Measure for Range Barriers
All FDUs	No measures have been developed as there are no range tenure overlaps within FDU1, FDU 2 or FDU 3.

10. SIGNATURES OF PERSONS REQUIRED TO PREPARE THE PLAN

Preparing Forester:

I certify that I have determined that the work described herein was performed to an acceptable standard.

David Marquis

David Marquis, RPF
Dated: March 14, 2025

Authorized Licensee Signature:

Thichum Forest Products Limited Partnership &
Tla'amin Timber Products Ltd.
4885-B Highway 101,
Powell River, B.C.,
V8A 0B6

Shawn Tougas, R.P.F.
Forest Stewardship Manager
Dated: March 14, 2025

Appendix 1: Stocking Standards

1.0 FORWARD

Pursuant to the FPPR Section 16, the following tables are the stocking standards that are to be applied to cutblocks harvested under this FSP for the areas included under this plan that may be harvested by the Holder. These standards are to be used in-conjunction with Site Plans where required under the FRPA.

The standards recognize several silviculture systems and regeneration situations that may occur as a result of harvesting or other disturbances.

The tables and standards herein are based on the Provincial publications:

- Tree Species and Free Growing Stocking Standards Guidelines (May 2000) for the Vancouver Forest Region.
- Establishment to Free Growing Guidebook (Version 2.2, revised May 2000).
- A Field Guide for Site Identification and Interpretation for the Vancouver Forest Region (1994, Land Management Handbook Number 28).
- Reference Guide for Forest Development Stocking Standards (XLSX, 506KB) - updated September 2021.
- Single Entry Dispersed Retention Stocking Standard Framework Implementation Guide (Coastal) (2014).

Ecologically Suitable Species

Ecologically suitable species are species that have been found to occur within a Biogeoclimatic Ecosystem Classification zone, subzone/variant (or BEC unit) and site series, based on available soil moisture and nutrients, as published in *Land Management Handbook 28 "A Field Guide to Site Identification and Interpretation for the Vancouver Forest Region"*. The soil moisture and nutrient regimes are combined into an edatope. The edatopic grid for each species determines infrequent, frequent to very frequent occurrences. Ecologically suitable species in the context of these stocking standards are found in the frequent to very frequent ranges due to moderate to good vigour performance, unless limited by a footnote. The prescribing Forest Professional must determine suitability based on site specific criteria such as soil moisture and nutrient regimes and aspect and elevation driven transition zones determined in the field. The prescribing Forest Professional must also consider immediate and long-term forest health issues, including the long-term forest health risks associated with a changing climate.[1] The prescribing Forest Professional's determination will be included in the Site Plan as a silviculture prescription.

[1] Climate Change Informed Species Selection Tool (thebeczone.ca)

2.0 EVEN-AGED MANAGEMENT

The following standards apply to blocks and/or standards units (SU) where even aged management is practiced.

The tables cover site series commonly found within the FSP area for the following biogeoclimatic (BEC) subzones and variants: CDFmm, CWHxm, CWHdm, CWHvm2 and MHmm1.

Application of Even-aged Stocking Standards

These standards apply to all sites managed using an even-aged silvicultural system that do not meet the criteria to be considered for another category of stocking standards.

2.1 Stocking Standards for K3P and NRFL A98255 within the Sunshine Coast Natural Resource District.

Table 1.0 – BASIC STANDARDS			*Regeneration Guide*			Min	
ID # Assigned	**BGC Classification**		**Species**	**Stocking**		**Inter-tree Spacing**	**Regen. Delay** (Max yrs)
			Species/Minimum FG Height (m)	Target	MIN sph		
	Zone/SZ	Series	Ecologically Suitable*	(well-spaced/ha)		(m)	
	CDFmm	01	Fd/2.0 Pl[6]/1.25 Cw/1.0	900	500	2.0	3
		04	Fd/3.0 Bg/1.75 Cw/1.5	900	500	2.0	3
		05	Fd/3.0 Cw/1.5	900	500	2.0	3
		06	Cw/2.0 Fd/4.0 Bg/2.25	900	500	2.0	3
		07	Cw/2.0 Fd/4.0 Bg/2.25	1000	600	2.0	3
		08	Cw[1]/2.0 Bg[1]/2.25	1000	600	2.0	3

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ID # Assigned	**BGC Classification**		**Species**	**Stocking**		**Inter-tree Spacing**	**Regen. Delay** (Max yrs.)
			Species/Minimum FG Height (m)	Target	MIN sph		
	Zone/SZ	Series	Ecologically Suitable*	(well-spaced/ha)		(m)	
	CWHdm	01	Fd/3.0 Hw[24]/3.0 Cw/1.5 Pw[31]/2.5	900	500	2.0	3
		03	Fd/2.0 Cw/1.0 Hw/2.0 Pl/1.25	800	400	2.0	3
		04	Fd/3.0 Cw/1.5 Pw[31]/2.5 Pl /1.25	900	500	2.0	3
		05	Cw/2.0 Fd/4.0 Hw/4.0 Pw[31]/2.5	900	500	2.0	3
		06	Cw/1.5 Hw/3.0 Fd[1]/3.0	900	500	2.0	6
		07	Cw/2.0 Fd/4.0 Bg/3.5 Hw/4.0	1200	700	2.0	3
		08	Bg/3.5 Cw/2.0 Hw/4.0 Fd[1] /3.0	1200	700	2.0	3
		09	Cw[1]/2.0 Bg[1]/3.5	1200	700	2.0	3

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ID # Assigned	**BGC Classification**		**Species**	**Stocking**		**Inter-tree Spacing**	**Regen. Delay**
			Species/Minimum FG Height (m)	Target	MIN sph		(Max yrs)
	Zone/SZ	Series	Ecologically Suitable*	(well-spaced/ha)		(m)	
	CWHvm2	01	Fd[9,14]/2.25 Hw/2.50 Cw[13]/1.5 Yc[13]/1.5 Ba/1.75 Hm[13]/1.0	900	500	2.0	6
		03	Cw/1.0 Hw/1.75 Fd[9,14]/1.5 Yc[13]/1.0 Pw[31]/2.5 Hm[13]/0.75	800	400	2.0	6
		04	Cw/1.0 Hw/1.75 Fd[9,14]/1.5 Yc[13]/1.0 Ba/1.5 Pw/2.5 Hm[13]/0.75	900	500	2.0	6
		05	Cw/1.5 Hw/2.5 Yc[13]/1.5 Ba/1.75 Fd[8,9,14]/2.25 Hm[13]/1.0	900	500	2.0	6
		06	Cw/1.5 Hw/2.5 Yc[13]/1.5 Ba/1.75 Hm[13]/1.0	900	500	2.0	6
		07	Cw/2.0 Hw[2]/3.5 Yc[13]/2.0 Ba/2.25 Hm[13]/1.0	900	500	2.0	6
		09	Cw[1]/1.0 Hw[1]/1.75 Yc[1,13]/1.0 Ba/1.5 Hm[13]/0.75	800	400	2.0	6

Table 1.0 – BASIC STANDARDS			*Regeneration Guide*			Min	
ID # Assigned	**BGC Classification**		**Species**	**Stocking**		**Inter-tree Spacing**	**Regen. Delay** (Max yrs)
			Species/Minimum FG Height (m)	Target	MIN sph		
	Zone/SZ	Series	Ecologically Suitable*	(well-spaced/ha)		(m)	
	CWHxm1	01	Fd/3.0 Hw/2.0 Cw[42]/1.5 Pw[31]/2.5	900	500	2.0	3
		03	Fd/2.0 Pl[6]/1.25 Cw[42]/1.0 Hw[7]/2.0	800	400	2.0	3
		04	Fd/3.0 Cw[42]/1.5 Pw[31]/2.5 Hw/2.0	900	500	2.0	3
		05	Cw[42]/2.0 Fd/4.0 Hw/1.75 Pw[31]/2.5	900	500	2.0	3
		06	Cw/1.5 Hw/2.0 Fd[1]/3.0	900	500	2.0	3
		07	Cw/2.0 Fd/4.0 Bg/3.5 Hw/1.75	900	500	2.0	3
		08	Cw/2.0 Bg/3.5 Hw/1.75	900	500	2.0	3
		09	Cw[1]/2.0 Hw/1.75 Bg[1]/3.5	900	500	2.0	3

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ID # Assigned	**BGC Classification**		**Species**	**Stocking**		**Inter-tree Spacing**	**Regen. Delay** (Max yrs)
			Species/Minimum FG Height (m)	Target	MIN sph		
	Zone/SZ	Series	Ecologically suitable	(well-spaced/ha)		(m)	
	MHmm1	01	Ba/0.6 Hm/1.0 Yc/1.0 Sx[23]/1.0 Hw[14,53]/1.0 Cw[14]/1.5	900	500	2.0	7
		03	Ba/.6 Hm/1.0 Yc/1.0 Hw[14,53]/1.0 Cw[14]/1.5	900	500	2.0	7
		04	Ba/0.6 Hm/1.0 Yc/1.0 Hw[14,53]/1.0	900	500	2.0	7
		05	Ba/0.6 Yc/1.0 Hm/1.0 Hw[14,53]/1.0	900	500	2.0	7
		06	Hm[1]/0.75 Yc[1]/0.75 Ba[1]/0.6	800	400	2.0	7
		07	Ba[1]/0.6 Yc[1]/0.75 Hm[1]/0.75	900	500	2.0	7

Footnotes for Table 1.0:

1 elevated microsites are preferred
3 restricted to coarse-textured soils
6 restricted to nutrient-very-poor sites
7 restricted to nutrient-medium sites
9 restricted to warm aspects
10 restricted to cool aspects
13 restricted to upper elevations of biogeoclimatic unit
14 restricted to lower elevations of biogeoclimatic unit
24 suitable (as a major species) in the wetter portion of the BEC unit
25 suitable on sites lacking salal
26 suitable minor species on salal-dominated sites
31 must use white pine blister rust resistant stock (See BC Journal of Ecosystems and Management 10(1): 97-100) for supplementary information.
35 use of resistant stock mitigates risk of spruce weevil damage. Use stock with the highest resistance rating for your area. See Ss Weevil Decision Tool (http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/hre/forgen/projects/spruceweevil) and BC Journal of Ecosystems and Management 7(3): 45-49.
47 risk of balsam woolly adelgid within quarantine area see (http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/agriculture-seafood/animals-and-crops/plant-health/insects-and-plant-diseases/nursery-and-ornamentals/balsam-woolly-adelgid)
50 restricted to sites where the species occurs as a major species in a pre-harvest, natural stand
53 minor component

Conifer Tree Species

"Ba" means amabilis fir;
“Bg” means grand fir;
"Bp" means noble fir;
"Cw" means western red cedar;
"Fd" means Douglas-fir;
"Hm" means mountain hemlock;
"Hw" means western hemlock;
"Pl" means lodgepole pine;
"Pw" means white pine;
“Se” means Engelmann spruce;
"Ss" means Sitka spruce;
"Yc" means yellow cedar.

3.0 HARDWOOD MANAGEMENT

The following standards apply to blocks and/or standards units where hardwood management is practiced and are applicable to clearcut silviculture systems.

Suitability of Deciduous Species Management under the FSP:

The deciduous stocking standards apply to stands or portions of stands intended to be managed on an even-aged basis for economically viable broadleaf species. Deciduous species must form 80 percent of the stand being regenerated. Deciduous management in FDU 1, FDU 2 and FDU 3 will be considered appropriate for the sites and conditions specified below:

- Where pre-harvest stand is greater than 70% deciduous and foliar herbicide application is not appropriate.
- Where deciduous species are established to manage significant and severe root rot centers on a short rotation interim crop as part of a strategy to use alternate resistant species.
- Soil and site rehabilitation of degraded or unstable sites.
- Fresh to very moist hygrotope and medium to rich trophotope.
- Sites with a fluctuating water table.

Application of deciduous stocking standards will be on a site-by-site basis and will not exceed 100 hectares over the duration of the plan.

Table 3.0 - Stocking for Even-aged Hardwood Stands

Stocking Standard ID	BEC			Species		Stocking (w/s)		Regen Delay	Footnotes
	Zone	Sub zone / Variant	Site Series	1	Ht (min)	Target (sph)	MIN (sph)	(Max yrs)	
1070692	CWH	dm	01[100] (non-salal), 05, 06[101] (non-salal), 07, 08, 09, 13, 14	Dr	4.0	1200	900	6	100 – limited to 4 C sites 101 – limited to 5-6 sites
1070693	CWH	xm	05[102], 06[103] (non-salal), 07, 08, 09, 13, 14	Dr	4.0	1200	900	6	102 – limited to 4 D-E sites 103 – limited to 5-6 C sites
1070694	CDF	mm	08, 14	Dr	4.0	1200	900	6	

Broadleaf Tree Species
"Dr" means red alder;

4.0 SITUATIONS WHERE STOCKING STANDARDS MAY BE MODIFIED

RULE NUMBER ONE **– Site Series Mosaics/Complexes**

Where more than one site series is located within a logical standards unit area the standard that applies will be that of the dominant site series. This standard can be modified with the inclusion of additional species selected from the standard of the subdominant site series for those specific areas of the mosaic or complex. These additional components to the standard will be supported by a rationale and documented in the Site Plan.

RULE NUMBER TWO – **Transitional Sites**

On transitional sites occurring between two BEC units the standard that applies will be that of the dominant BEC unit. This standard can be modified with the inclusion of components of the standard associated with the sub-dominant BEC unit. These additional components to the standard will be supported by a rationale and documented in the Site Plan.

RULE NUMBER THREE **– Minimum Inter-tree Distance (MITD)**

The general MITD of 2.0 metres can be reduced to 1.5 metres for any given site where productive and plantable sites are limited by pre-harvest site characteristics. These can include but are not limited to colluvial, hygric and sub-hygric sites. Justification for a reduced MITD will be supported by a rationale and documented in the Site Plan, and a variance reporting in RESULTS.

RULE NUMBER FOUR **– Leave Trees**

The minimum characteristics of any leave trees that contribute toward the free growing stand must be of good form, health and vigour, based on FS660 Free Growing Damage Criteria for multi-layered stands, and otherwise meet the stocking standards for that site. In situations where leave trees will not contribute to the free growing stand, the leave trees within the harvest area must have characteristics appropriate to meet forest management objectives developed for the site. The forest management objectives must be supported by a rationale and documented in the Site Plan.

5.0 FOREST HEALTH FACTORS

Root Rot - Laminated root rot (*Phellinus spp.*) and armillaria are known to occur in the plan area and impact tree health and vigor. It is recommended in areas where significant root rot occurs that a root rot management strategy be developed in consultation with a Forest Health Pathologist.

White Pine Blister Rust - Western White Pine (Pw) occurs naturally within the plan area and is susceptible to White Pine Blister Rust. For Pw to be an acceptable crop tree at free growing it must be grown from resistant stock.

Dwarf Mistletoe – Where dwarf mistletoe is considered a forest health concern due to high infection levels (Hawksworth scale 4-6) within or adjacent to a cutblock, refer to dwarf mistletoe management guidebook[2].

Elk and Deer Damage – Elk and deer damage is known to occur throughout the FSP area and is considered a forest health issue affecting stocking and tree health and vigor. Where damage is occurring that limits tenure holder's ability to achieve prescribed stocking standards, it is recommended that tenure holders apply FPPR sec. 46.2 or 97.1.

Appendix 2: FSP Map

Appendix 3: Advertisement

The following information is consistent with FPPR section 22(2):

Powell River Peak Advertisement: Sept. 5 & 12th

Tla'Amin Timber Products Ltd.
Thichum Forest Products LP
Forest Stewardship Plan
PUBLIC VIEWING

Notice is hereby given that Tla'amin Timber Products Ltd. and Thichum Forest Products LP will hold public viewing(s) and invites written comments on the proposed Forest Stewardship Plan (FSP) replacement for Community Forest Agreement K3P and Non-replaceable Forest License A98255 located within the qathet Regional District and lands of the Tla'amin Nation.

The geographic area covered by the FSP includes the following Forest Development Units: FDU 1, FDU 2 and FDU 3. FDU 1 is located within the Bunster Landscape Unit, FDU 2 is located within the Haslam and Lois Landscape Units and FDU 3 is located on Texada Island. The plan is available for review and comment for a period of 60 days starting on the date this advertisement is first published. Following the 60-day review and comment period, the plan will be submitted to the Ministry of Forests for approval. All comments received will be included in the final submission.

The FSP will be made available upon request or can be seen on Thichum.com. Written comments can be submitted via email to thichum@tmslp.ca or by mail to:

Subject: Thichum Forest Products LP - Forest Stewardship Plan
Attention: Kaycee Mitchell
4885-B Highway 101
qathet, B.C.
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Thank you for participating in the review of the FSP for Community Forest Agreement K3P and NRFL A98255.

Appendix 4, 5 and 6: CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION

The following information is considered confidential and is removed from the main Forest Stewardship Plan document. Appendices 4, 5 and 6 demonstrate the Holder's consistency with FPPR section 22(2).