

NATURAL RESOURCE SECTOR – JOINT MINISTRY DECISION NOTE

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PREPARED FOR: Honourable Scott Fraser, Minister of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation
Honourable Doug Donaldson Minister of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations, and Rural Development

ISSUE: Mandate request to negotiate a Forest Tenure Opportunity Agreement with Tla'amin Nation for a ten year Non Replaceable Forest Licence that includes a Reduced Volume Condition Arrangement with BC Timber Sales

BACKGROUND:

Tla'amin Nation (Tla'amin) met with the Ministers of FLNRORD and MIRR in March 2018 to discuss a volume commitment made by the Minister of Forests in 2010 during the final stages of treaty negotiations. The commitment included an offer to establish a mutually beneficial Business to Business arrangement between Tla'amin and BC Timber Sales (BCTS) that would:

- provide 28,000 cubic metres (m³) of timber annually for ten years (for a total volume of 280,000 m³) from the combined operating areas of BCTS and Tla'amin in the Sunshine Coast timber supply area (TSA); and
- support BCTS mandate by auctioning all timber through the Market Pricing System.

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Follow-up conversations to the March 2018 Ministers meeting with Tla'amin revealed that Tla'amin was s.16
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The revised offer tabled by BCTS in June 2017 gave consideration to Tla'amin's principal concerns with the Minister's offer in 2010 s.16

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BCTS revised

the offer to include a ten year coniferous non-replaceable Forest Licence (NRFL) in Tla'amin's territory in the Sunshine Coast Natural Resource District (District) that includes:

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The purpose of this decision note is to seek approval to negotiate a Forest Tenure Opportunity Agreement (FTOA) with Tla'amin that includes a NRFL with the proposed RVC arrangement.

DISCUSSION:

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