



Managers Report October - November 2022

WOODLANDS

Forest operations are winding down for the year, with Timber Ridge finishing the block up Lost Ledge in the next few days. There is a lot of wood on deck still up there that will take a week or more to haul. The cold weather has been favourable as it has frozen up the Lost Ledge Road and the spur accessing the lower part of the block which was saturated and would have made for difficult hauling.

Until the end of October almost 19,000m³ has been shipped with another estimated 2500m³ in November for a total of 21,500m³ for 2022.



Iron Peaks finished harvesting CP 48-1 on Cooper Face at the end of October. More volume than anticipated was harvested with the last 4.5ha patch yielding close to 3500m³!



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Sunshine Logging continues with the road construction on the 3km Branch 7 extension and is expected to take another 2-3 weeks to complete.

Briggs Creek Wildfire

Timber development in both Keen Creek and the Nashton Face continues and we are up to 8 blocks or close to 50,000m³ with a species profile of HwFdCwSx. Due to the steep slopes most of the area will need to be cable harvested so to ensure a successful salvage operation in 2023 markets need to stay fairly strong and we need to be able to line up sufficient yarding capacity.

SAFETY

No safety incidents to report from burning, road building or harvesting operations.

INTERNAL

Community Field Tour

On Saturday October 29th we hosted a community field tour up Keen Creek to see the fire and recently harvested blocks. It was a fairly low turnout with some directors and a few members of the public making it out. Lots of good discussion was had regarding the

Wildfire Risk Reduction Work

There is an open house planned for November 21st from 6:30 to 8:30 and includes booths from KDCFS, VOK, RDCK, BCWS, and some local FireSmart communities. Doors open at 6:30 with brief presentations at 7. See the map in the MR folder to see completed wildfire risk reduction projects and ones planned for 2023.

I went to grab some stuff from the seacan last week and found the lock had been cut off and our three fire pumps and three brush saws stolen. The theft has been reported to the police and I following up on leads through the grape vine to try to locate the pumps but it is quite unlikely they will be recovered. There is a CBT grant open to fund purchases such as these so we will collaborate with the VOK to determine our needs and apply for funding to replace our pumps and any other needed tools.

Options to store the sea can within the village yard or the airport will be explored, or alternatively we could look at storing the pumps at someone's house.