



Managers Report December 2022 - January 2023

WOODLANDS

Pretty quiet over the holiday break. January will be focused on finalizing the layout and maps of the Briggs Creek fire blocks and talking to contractors to plan harvesting in 2023.

Total volume harvested in 2022 was 23,080m³.

The outlook for lumber markets for 2023 is looking bleak with multiple mill curtailments continuing until the end of January. Hopefully these will restrict the supply and drive demand back up heading into spring and summer.

Extra nursery space became available at the end of 2022 so we were able to order seedlings to replant the CP 36 blocks 5 and 6 in Keen Creek, as well as CP 34-2 in Nashton that were burnt in the Briggs Creek fire. The trees will be planted in 2024.

SAFETY

No active operations.

INTERNAL

Wildfire Risk Reduction Work

All of the grants that we received for projects in 2021 and 2022 were completed, projects listed below:
Treatment unit (TU) layout and Fuel Management Prescriptions (FMP) for the Kaslo Reservoir area (\$10k) and Cooper Face (\$22k)
Finished the BCCFA Bucky cabin spacing project that was started in 2021 (\$160k)
Finished the CBT funded training and manual fuel reduction project up Branch 7 (\$42k)
Buchanan East Access thin from below manual treatment (\$86k)

Looking forward to 2023 we have FESBC grants for the following projects:
Mt Buchanan – tactical plan, TU layout, FMP, manual treatment of 10ha (\$135k)
Jimi Crack Corn (area below Hwy 31a just north of Kaslo) – TU layout, FMP, manual treatment of 8ha (\$95k)
CP 47-1 Landscape level fuel break – FMP and mechanical treatment of 20ha (\$74k)
Lost Ledge Plateau – planning access and TUs (\$41k)

Recommendations