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# **TROUT LAKE FOREST COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE** September 2024

The following information briefs recent and proposed changes to the current Annual Work Schedule (AWS) and Forest Management Plan (FMP), and current and planned operations. This notice is broken up into four (4) sections; Planning, Operations, Silviculture, and Safety. For convenience, selected relevant map products have been made available at the page hosting this notice or by following the below link. These maps are also available online through the NRIP website.

**ATTENTION:** Please be advised that the current and planned operations listed in this update are <u>subject to change without warning or notice</u> unless otherwise required. Circumstances may arise which may cause operations to change quickly (such as weather or fire). The intent of this document is to supplement the reader with up-to-date information regarding operations that are likely to occur within the next few months of the AWS year. The reader should always consider any blocks in the AWS as eligible for harvest at any time (subject to any AOC prescriptions or specific agreements).

This document is accompanied by a map which can be found on the following website:

https://www.domtardrydenforestry.ca/trout-lake-forest

# PLANNING UPDATE

This section briefs updates and changes to the FMP and AWS (Amendments – AM or Revisions – Rev) and briefs the progress of the FMP production and cycle.

# FMP Amendments:

AM\_006: Change Harvest category of fire and insect damaged blocks from regular to salvage. Addition of ORB.

#### AWS Revisions:

Rev\_408: 2024 Slash Pile Burn Plan

#### AWS documents can be found at:

## https://www.dfcforestry.ca/trout-lake-forest

## **OPERATIONS UPDATE**

This section briefs current and planned operations on the Trout Lake forest such as road maintenance, road building (ROW clearing, sub-grading, grading), and harvest operations.

## **Operations:**

Planned active harvesting in the following blocks (approximate start in brackets (month):

Highway 401 Rd	7146, 7173, 7175, 7176, 7172, 7171
Wenesaga Rd	1308

#### <u>Road:</u>

Highway 403 Rd will have bunching starting and some road building up to the first pipe.

## SILVICULTURE UPDATE

This section briefs current and planned renewal activities (planting, seeding, etc.), site prep and tending activities (sprays, etc.), and burn plans.

#### Renewal:

Planting and seeding completed.

*Tending/Site Preparation (SIP):* 

Spray completed.

Site Preparation on-going.

# SAFETY NOTICE

"Nothing we do is worth getting hurt for; with this mind set we entreat every forest user to <u>make safety a priority at all times</u>".

Please Report any road safety issues to Domtar's Operations Forester Road safety issues include but are not limited to washouts, missing signs (km markers, road signs, bridge tiger tails, etc.), and unsafe driving by haul truck drivers. Please include as much information as possible (location, time, vehicle colour or number).

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- Please report all washouts, clogged culverts, and ice dams.
- Please be careful when approaching workers and corners and use a radio to call out your and other non-radio vehicle locations as you see them. Together we can keep travel on the forest safe.
- Please drive to the road conditions. Not all roads will be plowed. Keep an eye on soft shoulders.
- Always keep a safe distance from vehicles ahead of you allowing time to respond to changes in the lead vehicles pace.

For all up to date approved maps, text, and other related products please visit the NRIP website (below). Up to date maps may also be viewed at the Red Lake MNRF District office, or the Domtar Dryden Forestlands Office.

# https://nrip.mnr.gov.on.ca/s/?language=en\_US

If you have any questions, concerns, or comments please contact Lylalee Soley at your convenience (contact information below).

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