



# MEMORANDUM

Outdoor Recreation Council  
of British Columbia

**to:** RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
**from:** LIZ OSBORN, PROGRAM ADMINISTRATOR

**date:** DECEMBER 13TH, 1988  
**re:** UPDATE ON APPLICATIONS  
FOR T.F.L.'S

The following is an update, for your information, on the status of the Ministry of Forests' program to convert timber tenures to Tree Farm Licenses (TFL).

The MacKenzie TFL application as a cause for concern was reviewed at the November Resource Management Committee meeting. The Nov. 23rd public hearing for this first application under the Ministry's program was cancelled at the last minute. Since then the Ministry of Forests has made some modifications to the process in an effort to better consider nontimber resources.

The new process includes a referral to other land use agencies. Upon reviewing a company's application for a TFL, the agency is asked to prepare a statement of resource values and related issues relevant to the application. The Ministry of Forests will compile these statements and provide them as a public information package.

The first test of this new process will be with an application by Canadian Pacific Forest Products Ltd. (formerly CIP Inc.) to extend TFL 19 in the Strathcona Timber Supply Area. An information package of agency statements on this is due to be released in mid January by the Ministry of Forests. The public hearing for the application is scheduled for Feb. 2nd 1989 in Gold River. Those wishing to comment on the application are required to send ten copies to the Ministry of Forests Timber Harvesting Branch (1450 Government St., Victoria, V8W 3E7) ten days before the hearing. Ministry of Forests' lawyers have advised that a submission must be given in person at the hearing in order for it to be considered as evidence in the application review. Despite the limitations on public participation that a hearing in a remote community poses, no other hearing for the TFL 19 expansion has yet been planned.

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Canadian Pacific Forest Products propose to add to their existing TFL a 152,000 hectare portion of the west coast of Vancouver Island, of which 85,000 hectares are considered harvestable. The area includes Nootka Island, land around Zeballos, and the shores of Muchalat, Tlupana and Tahsis Inlets. Included with this memo is a summary from the company's application (pp 46-48) and the application's discussion of nontimber resources (p 38). The complete TFL 19 extension application is available from Bruce Devitt, Chief Forester, Canadian Pacific Forest Products Ltd., Ste 1000 - 1040 W. Georgia St., Vancouver, V6E 4K4, phone 640-3400.

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