



**Husby Forest Products Limited
2015 Public Summary Report
Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (SFI) Standard [2010-2014 Edition]**

Project Scope and Objectives

PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (“PwC”) completed a SFI Surveillance Assessment of Husby Forest Products Ltd. (“Husby”). The assessment scope included Crown lands managed by Husby from its corporate headquarters in Delta, BC and operations on Haida Gwaii, BC. The lead assessor was Shawn Ellsworth, RPF, EMS (LA).

The primary objective of the assessment was to assess the SFI management system at the corporate level and to evaluate Husby’s implementation of the SFI Standard on the ground.

Indicators

All of the indicators in the SFI Standard were within the scope of the assessment except for indicators 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 since Husby does not procure fiber. There were no substitute indicators.

Assessment Process

The assessment team conducted interviews and reviewed appropriate documentation to assess policies and procedures, and tested the implementation of SFI program requirements in the field. The report was dated November 17, 2015.

Summary of Conformance and Good Management Practices

Husby operates under the Haida Gwaii Land Use Objectives Order, a strategic-level land use planning process led by the Council of the Haida First Nation and the Province of British Columbia. The agreement includes protection for water quality, critical habitat and culturally important features in addition to existing requirements of the BC Forest & Range Practices Act (FRPA) of British Columbia. Husby’s Forest Stewardship Plan and operational plans are reviewed by a joint panel of representatives from the Haida First Nation and BC Government. Husby demonstrates an appropriate use of forest harvesting technology and practices to minimize waste and ensure efficient utilization of harvested trees where possible based on market conditions. Unless noted Husby has continued to conform to the requirements of the SFI Standard based on our assessment sample.

Specific Good management practices are noted below:

- Husby has made efforts to retain and enhance wildlife habitat and biodiversity by incorporating snag retention in its harvesting practices and making significant efforts to retain cultural valued biodiversity (e.g. monumental cedar, yew and pacific crab apple).
- Good sediment control measures were observed on several permanent stream crossings (e.g. sumps, use of hay bales and grass seeding).
- Husby has demonstrated strong efforts to identify and properly manage for species at risk as is evidenced by the efforts to properly identify the Sharp Shinned hawk and use of technology to capture photos and video.

Summary of Findings

There were no non-conformities identified during the assessment.

Opportunities for improvement were identified in the following areas:

- Several harvest blocks were visited postharvest as part of the assessment and creeks were found to be free of logging debris; however, there is a concern that the practice of decking logs over S6 creeks during active operations may lead to water quality degradation problems.
- Husby has implemented a fuelling hose containment system to make sure drips from the main filler hose at its fuelling station are contained; however, the containment currently cannot hold the hose end used for filling their fuel trucks and this hose is left on the ground. Husby may wish to review their hose containment system to see if it can accommodate all hoses to avoid any losses on the ground.
- Husby collects used oil in their camps and transports collected used oil for proper disposal. Husby may wish to review their used oil transportation procedures to evaluate if there are additional procedures that could be implemented to mitigate the risk of spills during transport from the camp to load out facilities.
- Updating the spill report form to include reportable quantities and the provincial contact number to ensure employees know when to report and who to report to.

Conclusion

Husby's management of Crown lands on Haida Gwaii has maintained conformance with the requirements to the SFI Standard [2010-2014 Edition]. A copy of Husby's SFI Certificate can be obtained at <http://www.husby.bc.ca/certification.html> or by contacting Jonathan Fane at 604-940-3525.