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Dear Otto Pflanz:

**Re: Your March 31, 2003 response to the Board's recommendation in the Horsefly Range Audit.**

Thank you for your March 31, 2003 response to the July 2002 Board report entitled "**Compliance and Enforcement Audit and Special Report on Range Activity in the Horsefly Forest District**". This report made the following recommendation to the Ministry of Forests (MOF):

*"In accordance with section 185 of the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act, the Board makes the following recommendation:*

The Ministry of Forests should implement an effective compliance and enforcement program for range practices in the audit area in accordance with its current policy.

*In accordance with Section 186 of the Forest Practices Code of British Columbia Act, the Board requests that the Ministry of Forests advise the Board of how this recommendation has been addressed by March 31, 2003."*

Your March 31 letter describes recent organizational changes related to range C&E. The Williams Lake Forest District took over administration and enforcement of the Horsefly range program in 2002, upon the retirement of its range officer. Also, effective April 1 of this year, the former Horsefly Forest District has been incorporated into the new Central Cariboo Forest District administered from Williams Lake.

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Your letter also describes C&E practices for range within the audit area that have been instituted in the last year, including:

- Implementation of a district inspection plan which contains range inspection objectives
- Established site priority risk ratings for range units, based on risk to water quality, which are used to plan inspections
- Completion of range inspections within the audit area and entry into CIMS, your compliance inspection management system
- Use of CIMS to generate reports and adjust inspection objectives and risk ratings as warranted

You subsequently submitted information that was requested by Board staff to substantiate the statements made in your letter.

After careful review of your submissions the Board is pleased with the measures you have implemented since the audit to undertake C&E activities on range practices in the audit area. We are satisfied that you have taken appropriate measures in response to the recommendation. Consequently, the audit file will be closed.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Liz Osborn". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letter of each word being capitalized and prominent.

Liz Osborn, MRM, MSc  
A/Chair