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Forest Practices Board

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## **Board to audit Canfor operation in Fort Nelson area**

VICTORIA – The Forest Practices Board will examine the activities of Canadian Forest Products Ltd. on forest licence A17007 during the week of Sept. 11, 2017.

Auditors will examine whether forestry activities carried out between September 2016 and September 2017, met the requirements of the *Forest and Range Practices Act* and the *Wildfire Act*. Canfor has not harvested any timber under this licence since 2008, so the audit will focus mainly on road and bridge maintenance, silviculture obligations and fire protection.

FL A17007 is located in the Fort Nelson Resource District, in the Fort Nelson Timber Supply Area (TSA). The TSA is bordered by Alberta to the east and the Northwest Territories and the Yukon Territory to the north. Most of the sites that will be audited are to the east of the Rocky Mountains.

When the audit work is complete, a report will be prepared, and any party that may be adversely affected by the audit findings will have a chance to respond. The board's final report and recommendations then will be released to the public and government.

The Forest Practices Board is B.C.'s independent watchdog for sound forest and range practices, reporting its findings and recommendations directly to the public and government.

The board audits forest and range practices on public land, as well as appropriateness of government enforcement.

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