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Board to audit tree farm licence near Port Renfrew

VICTORIA – The Forest Practices Board will examine the activities of Pacheedaht Andersen Timber Holdings Limited Partnership (PATH) on tree farm licence (TFL) 61 in the South Island Natural Resource District during the week of May 13, 2019.

Auditors will examine whether harvesting, roads, silviculture, fire protection and associated planning carried out by PATH between May 1, 2017, and May 17, 2019, met the requirements of the Forest and Range Practices Act and the Wildfire Act.

The audit area is located on southwestern Vancouver Island, north of Highway 14 between Port Renfrew and Jordan River. PATH purchased TFL 61 from Western Forest Products Ltd. in 2010. PATH is a partnership between Pacheedaht First Nation and Andersen Timber.

Once 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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