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Forest Practices Board

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Board to audit forest licence near Vanderhoof

VANDERHOOF – The Forest Practices Board will examine the forestry activities of Saik’uz First Nation on non-replaceable forest licence A91154 in the Stuart Nechako Natural Resource District during the week of Aug. 19, 2019.

Auditors will examine whether harvesting, roads, silviculture, fire protection and associated planning carried out by Saik’uz First Nation between Aug. 1, 2017, and Aug. 23, 2019, met the requirements of the Forest and Range Practices Act and the Wildfire Act.

The audit area is located in the Prince George timber supply area, near Vanderhoof and Fraser Lake. The licence is held by Saik’uz First Nation and managed by Sinclair Group Forest Products Ltd.

Once the audit work is complete, a report will be prepared. 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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