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**Board will audit non-replaceable forest licence near Salmon Arm**

VICTORIA – The Forest Practices Board will audit the forest planning and practices of Yucwmenlúcwu (Caretakers of the Land) on non-replaceable forest licence (NRFL) A89359 in the Okanagan Shuswap Natural Resource District, during the week of Sept. 19, 2022.

Auditors will examine whether timber harvesting, roads, silviculture, fire protection and associated planning done between Sept. 1, 2020, and Sept. 23, 2022, met the requirements of the Forest and Range Practices Act and the Wildfire Act.

The audit area is located near the communities of Salmon Arm, Enderby and Sicamous. The area provides an abundance of outdoor recreation with several provincial parks, such as Enderby Cliffs, Silver Star, and Monashee, as well as the Kingfisher Ecological Reserve.

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 will then 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 the appropriateness of government enforcement.

Natural resource districts are randomly selected as the locations for these audits. A forest or range licence within the district is then selected as the focus of the audit. Audit selections are not based on complaints or on the past performance of the tenure holder. More information about the audit process is available on the board's website.

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