



Withdrawals and compensation

Despite a Forest Management Agreement (FMA) being tied to a fixed landbase, the Minister of Sustainable Resource Development still has the discretion to withdraw land from the FMA. This could be for a variety of reasons such as for oil and gas developments or public infrastructure projects.

Should this occur, there are clauses within the agreement, which would provide Spray Lake Sawmills with a reimbursement to cover lost volume and/or any loss or damages which may occur. Depending on the circumstances, reimbursement could come from either the Crown or another company.

These clauses help provide the long-term security required to manage the forest resource and to safeguard investments made by the company through the planning and development of the FMA.

Spray Lake Sawmills has already voluntarily given up 19% of its historical wood supply area for the creation of 3 provincial parks prior to the signing of the FMA which was done without compensation.

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