

December 5, 2024

Ms. Joanne Sweeney
Director
Environmental Assessment Division
Department of Environment, Climate Change and Municipalities

RE: Crown 5 Year Operating Plan, Zone 03, Amendment

Pursuant to Section 49 of the *Environmental Protection Act* (2002), please see attached information for registration as an undertaking for the Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture. This registration is an amendment to the current 5 Year Operating Plan in Forest Management Planning Zone 03 (FMD 6) for the period of January 1st, 2022 to December 31nd, 2026.

This is an external amendment covers an area previously affected by a significant forest fire in 2022 and will allow the domestic harvest of burned and residual timber within the fire boundary by Miawpukek First Nation.

If you have any questions regarding this registration, please contact myself or Dave Poole.



Bryan Oke
Director – Forest Ecosystem Management
Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture

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D. Poole

**REGISTRATION FORM
PURSUANT TO SECTION 49 OF
THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ACT**

- Name of Undertaking:** Amendment to Zone 03 – FMD 06 2022-2026 Five Year Operating Plan.
- Proponent:**
- (i) **Department of Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture**
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 - (ii) **Assistant Deputy Minister**
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- The Undertaking:**
- (i) **Nature of Undertaking**
Amendment to Crown Five Year Operating Plan for Forest Management District 6, to allow Domestic Harvesting by Miawpukek First Nation members.
 - (ii) **Purpose/Rationale/Need for Undertaking**
As described in the EA-approved 2022-2026 Five Year Operating Plan for Zone 03, the harvest strategy for the District is consistent with strategies and philosophies implemented by FFA. This amendment is required to provide the Miawpukek First Nation access to an area in District 6 by the

creation of Domestic Harvest Block CC06547 – Bay d’Espoir Fire. The amendment will provide domestic harvesters the opportunity to salvage burned (dead) and residual live timber within the boundary of the fire.

Description of Undertaking:

- (i) **Geographic Location**
Domestic Harvesting Block CC06547 is located approximately 45 kms south of the TCH on the Bay d’Espoir Highway. The attached map identifies the geographic location of the proposed amendment.
- (ii) **Physical Features**
The proposed amendment is 5,614 ha in size and within an area previously disturbed by the Bay d’Espoir Highway forest fire in 2022.
- (iii) **Operation**
The proposed amendment area is targeted for domestic forest harvesting activity. Harvesting will be by chainsaw and hauled with ATV or snowmobile.
- (iv) **Occupations**
Miawpukek First Nation domestic wood cutters.
- (v) **Project Related Documents**
Upon approval, this proposal will become part of the Crown’s Forest Management Zone 3 Five-Year Operating Plan, January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2026.

Approval of the Undertaking:

- (i) Domestic harvesting permits from the Miawpukek First Nation office.

Dec 10, 2024
Date

Bryan Ok
Director - FFA

5 Year Plan 2022-2026 Domestic Harvest Overview Amendment Map

Planning Zone : 3
FMD: 06

Operating Area No.: CC06547
Name: Bay d'Espoir Salvage

Plan Features

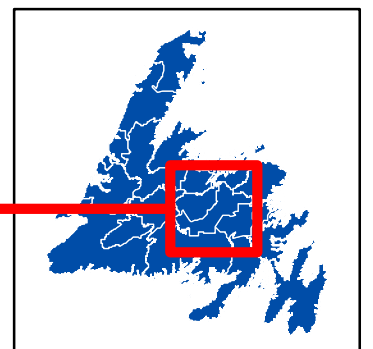
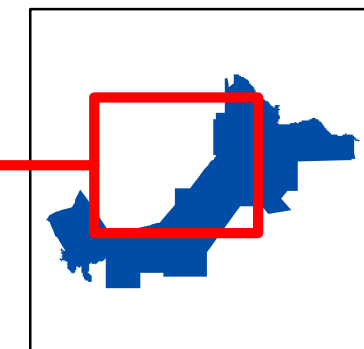
 5 Year Plan Amendment Area

Basemap Features

-  Public Road
-  Water Body
-  Productive Forest
-  Bog
-  Scrub
-  Other Non-forest

Restrictions

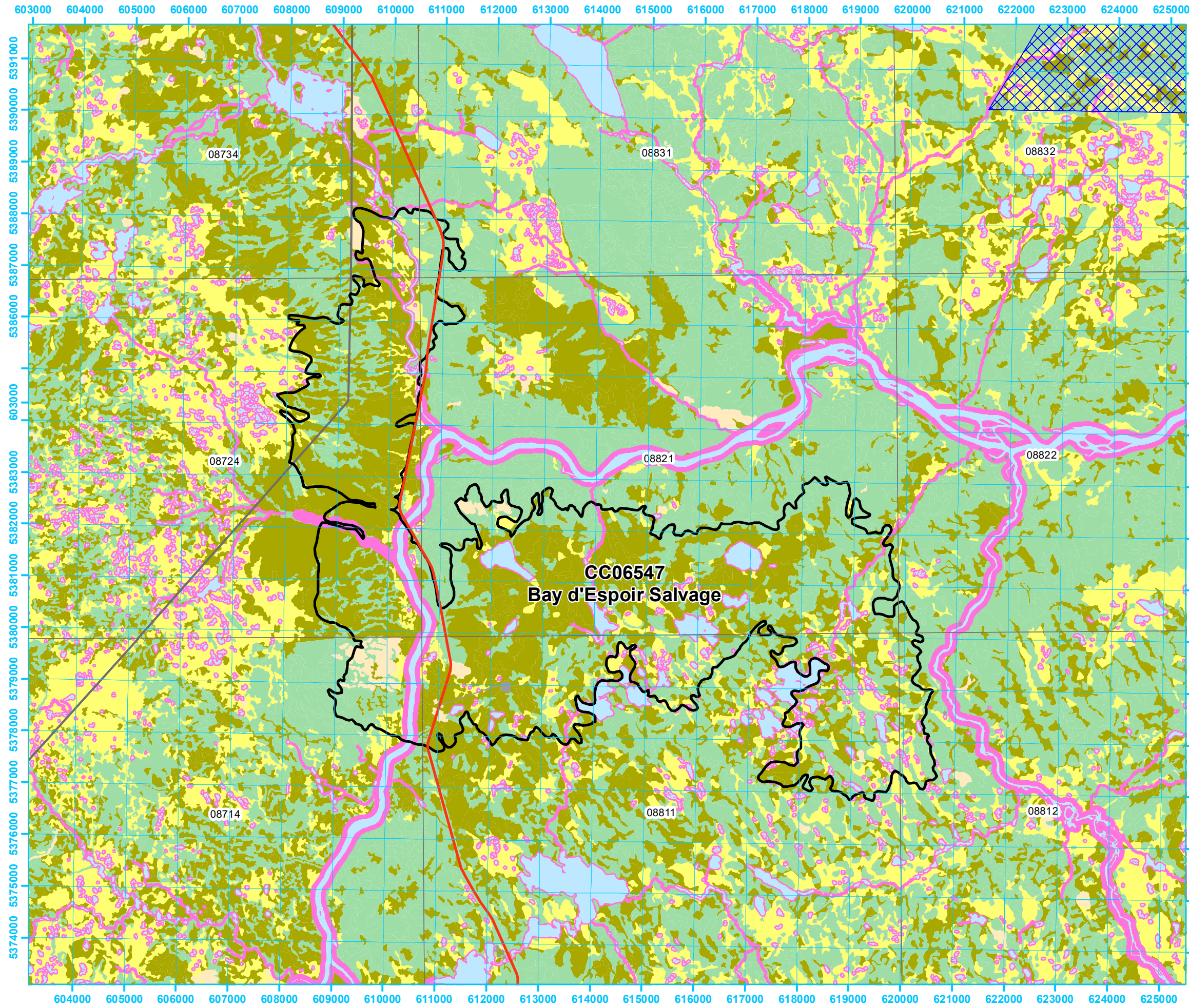
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-  Regulatory
-  No Cut Buffer



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**5 Year Plan 2022-2026
Domestic Harvest
Overview Amendment Map**

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