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The Forest Management Act

1. In this Act,

(a) "annual plan" means a plan furnished under section 3;

(b) "approved" means approved by the Minister;

(c) "Crown timber area" means an area on which any of the timber is the property of the Crown whether such area comprises Crown lands, patented lands, or both;

(d) "master plan" means a plan furnished under section 2;

(e) "Minister" means Minister of Lands and Forests; 1947, c. 38, s. 1.

2.—(1) Every person who has cutting rights in a Crown timber area shall, when required by the Minister, furnish to him,

(a) an estimated inventory of the timber on the Crown timber area with respect to which he has cutting rights, classifying the timber as to age, species, size and type;

(b) a proposed master plan for managing the Crown timber area and utilizing the timber thereon;

(c) a map, which shall form a part of the master plan, dividing the Crown timber area into proposed operational units; and

(d) a statement of the purposes for which the timber is to be utilized. 1947, c. 38, s. 2 (1); 1949, c. 35, s. 1.

(2) The Minister may approve a master plan as submitted to him or may approve it with such alterations therein as he may deem advisable.
Management of area according to plan.

(3) Subject to section 3, a person who has received a request to furnish a master plan shall manage the Crown timber area covered by it and utilize the timber thereon in accordance with the approved master plan.

Master plan to govern.
Rev. Stat., c. 82.

(4) Where conflict exists between an approved master plan and any agreement made or licence granted under The Crown Timber Act, the master plan shall govern. 1947, c. 38, s. 2 (2-4).

Information to be furnished annually.

3.—(1) Every person who is required to furnish a master plan shall annually furnish to the Minister,

(a) at least sixty days before cutting operations commence, a plan for cutting operations to be conducted during the twelve-month period commencing on the 1st day of April; and

(b) on or before the 31st day of October, a map indicating the cut-over areas together with a statement showing the amount, species and size of timber cut from each cutting area during the twelve-month period ending March 31st of that year. 1947, c. 38, s. 3 (1); 1949, c. 35, s. 2.

Alteration in plan.

(2) The Minister may direct such alteration to be made in an annual plan as he deems advisable and where such alteration involves the alteration of an approved master plan, the master plan shall be deemed to be altered accordingly. 1947, c. 38, s. 3 (2).

Cessation of cutting operations.

4. The Minister may direct the cessation of cutting operations until a master plan has been approved. 1947, c. 38, s. 4.

Suspension or cancellation of agreement or licence.

5. Where any person fails to comply with an approved master plan, or fails to comply with section 3, the Minister may suspend or cancel, in whole or in part, the agreement or licence, or both, under which such person derives his cutting rights. 1949, c. 35, s. 3, part.

Preservation of forests, etc.
Rev. Stat., c. 82.

6.—(1) Notwithstanding anything in The Crown Timber Act, for the purpose of forest management, watershed protection or fire protection, or the preservation of beauty of landscape, game preserves or game shelters, the Minister may,

(a) cancel or vary any cutting rights in any area designated by him;
(b) direct the marking of trees to be left standing or to be cut in any area designated by him, and the cost of such marking and cutting shall be borne by the person holding the cutting rights.

(2) Every order made under this section shall be deemed to be of an administrative and not of a legislative nature. 1949, c. 35, s. 3, part.

7. The Lieutenant-Governor in Council may make regulations,

(a) prescribing the manner of preparing and the form of inventories, maps and statements required under this Act and governing the accuracy and verification thereof;

(b) respecting any other matter necessary or advisable to carry out effectively the intent and purpose of this Act. 1947, c. 38, s. 6.