

Multi-block Landscape Standard (MLS)

*Discussion Group Breakout
Session* [MILS Presentation DW - CSC
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Discussion Group Objective:

- To seek input from all interested silviculturists and land managers on the topic of a MLS Template.
- To record ideas, concepts, models and approaches from the participants as to how they would envision the construct of a MLS Template.
- To build on the successful components and concepts of current MLS proposals.

MLS Project Context:



- FPPR section 45(1) and (2) – *“to be made collectively across cutblocks”*
- One proposal to date has been approved and implemented.
- Momentum gaining requesting landscape level targets – species.
- Very ambitious project, completion in 2 years, involving a design and advisory team - assembled from government staff province wide, licensee staff and consultant staff.

MLS Project Objectives:

Short Term

- To produce a **Multi-block FG Obligation Template.**
→ LU and/or SFMP
- To produce an **Uncomplicated Approach.**
- To produce a Template **Consistent with the 5 FRPA Stocking Standard Tests.**
- To produce **Template Options.**

Long Term

- To assist in the **Management of Species at the Landscape Level & in Increasing Species Diversity (Species Mixes and Densities).**
- To link the **MLS Template Outcomes to TSR.**

Current MLS Proposal Concepts:

- Lump stands into Common Strata – various criteria
- Volume standard Approach – SI & Model dependent
 - Within 95% of target
 - Within Upper and Lower Goal posts
 - Calculate volume per strata or per plot
- MAI standard Approach
- Density Range Approach
- Separate standard for Regen and FG
- Survey all or not survey all openings in a strata
- Survey using 1.75m % occupancy or 3.99m WS or MSQ or Quadrat or OAF 1 gap assessment
- Higher brush competition allowances - % or #'s per plot
- Broader species acceptability
- Sample population based on same harvest date



Approaches..Ideas.....Components.....Elements..????