General Update

September 7, 2016

Harvesting:

Mickelson is close to completing harvest on BCTS A86057 block 2. VCF staff are working on a plan for the next block.

Robson Valley Timber Corp. is logging up Dave Henry on 985A and on PS02. SPF wood sold to Carrier and douglas fir to Larry Simpson and smaller sawlog to Canfor.

CVH Ltd. is logging on new community forest K5Q on block WC08. Cedar going to CVH, spruce sold to Carrier and douglas fir to Larry Simpson. Block harvesting should completed soon. We are looking for another easy access block for another 1000m3.

Schapansky is logging the cable portion of the BCTS sale on Block 2 and should be complete soon. They will then move to block 2 where they have +/- 2 weeks of yarding.

Jerry Plummer is harvesting on SC04 up Swift Creek targeting large diameter fir. So far 40 loads have been delivered with another 10 planned. Plummer has also started bunching in block WC03 located at 3km on the West Canoe. Pine sold to Canfor.

Mike Widell is harvesting pine post wood up Canoe Mountain.

Roads:

Cliff Jackman has completed the upgrade of the West Canoe road to 50km. Dave Antoniuk is grading road to 50km and should be done very soon.

VCF staff is working on a plan to build connector road into the Dave Henry. Survey and design complete. We will get an estimate of the cost to complete then make a call to get an engineered design of the crossing.

David Craig has started building road to the proposed Dave Henry connector and prebuilding a couple short spur roads into a new block.

Mill Site:

Chartis Remote Sensing Solutions out of Alberta has completed a drone survey of the VIP. The Arch and Cad files are to be completed soon. Green by Design is going to complete the engineering design of the VIP and is waiting on the survey deliverables.

Amec Foster Wheeler has completed an estimate of the phase 2 environmental study of the geo park area.

CVH Ltd has begun construction of the new Cedar mill on the VIP. VCF has hired David Craig's D8 Cat to level the lease area.

Sort Yard:

16 loads of house logs have been delivered to the yard with 11 sold so far. There are other house log builders interested but not confirmed so far.

Clean-up loads delivered to the yard have been scaled and sorted by species and destination. Species include fir, hemlock and cedar. As soon as we have enough wood to make full loads we will deliver wood to market. The cedar and large fir have been sold to local mills with smaller fir to Canfor. No home for hemlock thus far (est ½ load).

Large diameter Sx to be delivered to Kamote located in the lower mainland.

Planning/Other:

The inventory has been completed with the final report submitted. We now have to figure out how to get the new information on the mapping system so we can start using it. The TSR work has started and is planned for completion in the fall.

Greenstar is working on layout mostly on the new K5Q licence.

VCF staff is working on winter harvesting program.

Silviculture:

A regen survey plan for the fall is ongoing.

VCF staff will review aspen area in our blocks this summer/fall for possible treatment next year.

Other: