

Properties > 5ha and < 10 ha

**Inclusion Agreement for Properties
Less than 10 Hectares & Greater Than 5 Hectares**

BACKGROUND: The Private Land Silviculture Program has traditionally provided financial incentive to landowners interested in conducting specific silvicultural activities on non-industrial private woodlots that are larger than 10 ha and where the owner controls less than the 4,000 ha. The program has targeted stand establishment activities (site preparation and planting) and early interventions (cleaning and pre-commercial thinning), all of which necessitate a number of decades for the benefits to mature.

In 2003, and at the request of the Provincial Auditor General, the upper eligibility limit of 4,000 ha was eliminated. This affected only a few land owners, and caused a review of the 10 ha lower limit. As a result of that review, all parties (NBDNR and the NBFWO) have agreed to expand eligibility for program assistance (excluding management recommendations) to properties less than 10 ha and larger than 5 ha providing the following conditions are met;

- all program requirements and activity criteria are met, and
- the registered landowner agrees in writing to manage the property in a manner consistent with the time frame necessary to produce primary wood products, and
- the registered landowner agrees to repay moneys received under this program should they fail to manage area that is treated under this program prior to the production of primary wood products.

AGREEMENT:

I _____ (print) am the registered landowner of the 5 to 10 hectare property identified by PID #_____. I have read and understand this document. I agree that in accepting financial assistance under this program, I am committing this property to the production of primary forest products. I understand and acknowledge that production of primary forest products is a process that typically requires a time frame measured in decades. I agree to manage this property in a manner consistent with the time frame necessary to produce primary wood products, and I also agree to repay moneys received under this program should I fail to manage area that is treated under this program prior to the production of primary wood products.

Signature of Registered Landowner

Date

(This document should be attached to the activity certification form.)