

Commonland

Forests

Consultations

1. The Board will retain the services of a Managed Forest Plan Approver (MFPA) to provide expertise and advice in the development of the Forest Management Plan (FMP), and as required, the implementation of the FMP.
2. The Board will seek the input of the Members and Associate Members in the development and renewal of the Forest Management Plan.
3. The Board will seek the input of Members before undertaking FMP activities within 125 feet abutting their properties with the exception of general trail maintenance and felling and/or removal of hazardous trees.

Considerations

4. Noisy FMP activities will be prohibited on evenings and weekends from July 1 to August 31 with the exception of the felling and/or removal of hazardous trees.
5. Good forest management practices will be used to limit harm.

Felling / Removal of Trees

6. In accordance with the FMP trees may be identified for felling.
7. In accordance with the FMP felled trees may be designated to be:
 - left for use in the forest, eg. insect, wildlife and soil improvement, trail delineation, bridging across wet areas; or
 - removed from the forest.
8. Considerations in identifying trees to be removed from the forest may include but not be limited to:
 - condition of the forest floor
 - wildlife habitat
 - safety of all users of the Commonland
 - best use of the wood, eg. benches for Association use, wood for carving activities, firewood
 - shoreline protection
9. Members and Associate Members with concerns about potentially hazardous trees on Commonland and near their property may contact the Board who will evaluate and take appropriate action including the felling of trees the Board deems to be hazardous.
10. Felling and/or removal of trees on Commonland will occur only as scheduled and under the supervision of the Board.
11. Volunteers may be invited to participate in the felling and removal of trees.
12. A local contractor may be engaged to fell and/or remove trees in certain situations, eg. difficult or hazardous work. Contractors must have WSIB and liability insurance.

Sale of Wood

13. Wood from trees removed from Commonland will be available for sale to Members and Associate Members on condition that it is for their use only, is not re-sold, and is not removed from Harvey Lakeland Estates. Purchased wood must be removed by the date specified on the application approval.
14. Members and Associate Members will be notified when wood is available for sale. To purchase wood Members and Associate Members must complete and submit to the Board a [Request To Purchase Wood form](#).
15. The Board will review all requests to purchase wood and seek to best match the species and quality of wood to its intended use while also fairly allocating the quantity available among the purchasers.
16. Wood made available from downed trees will be sold to Members and Associate Members.
17. The Board will determine and approve each year various prices for available wood based on the species of tree, quality of wood, and state of readiness, eg. cut, tree length, 8 foot, 16 inch and split.

Record Keeping

18. The Director - Forests will record FMP activities, including but not limited to:
 - Felling of Trees
 - The rationale based on the objectives of the FMP for the felling of any trees on Commonland
 - Location, number, species and size class of trees to be felled
 - Date that trees are marked to be felled
 - Date that trees are felled
 - Removal of Trees from Commonland
 - The rationale based on the objectives of the FMP for the removal of any trees from Commonland
 - Location, number, species and size class of trees to be removed
 - Proposed use of the wood
 - Date that trees are removed
 - The date and amount of wood received by each Member