

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION NOTICE

Application for a Permit Under the Provisions of the *Environmental Management Act*

We, **West Fraser Mills Ltd. DBA Pacific Inland Resources (West Fraser PIR)** at 2375 Tatlow Road, Smithers, BC V0J 2N0, intend to submit this application to the Director to authorize the discharge of a blend of fly and bottom ash onto agricultural fields around Smithers, BC. The blended ash originates from West Fraser PIR’s biomass energy system (Waste Authorization 1691), which burns hog fuel in two furnaces to produce a combination of fly and bottom ash.

The land upon which the facility is situated is 2375 Tatlow Road, Smithers, BC V0J 2N0. The legal description for the land is:

- Lot A, Plan PRP14793, Section 19, Township 4, Range 5, Coast Range

The land upon which the blended ash application will occur is agricultural land around Smithers, within the Bulkley-Nechako Regional District of British Columbia. The legal descriptions of the agricultural fields are as follows:


- PID’s: 005-357-357, 015-098-397, 012-232-998, 015-098-401, 015-673-154, 015-673-219, 015-678-741, 012-232-980, 015-308-553, 015-673-197, 015-678-717, 015-673-235, 015-678-725, 015-678-733, 024-909-521, 011-513-977, 024-820-415, 009-330-216, 009-330-160, 025-195-956, 011-973-544, 023-621-541, 011-973-536, 014-423-243, 014-423-235

The maximum rate of ash application will not exceed 150 bulk tonnes per hectare per year. The operating period for application will be between May and November. The application of Blended Ash will be conducted in accordance with a Land Application Plan (LAP) developed for the sites by a Qualified Professional as part of this application. The blended ash will meet the metals and foreign matter criteria outlined in the Code of Practice for Soil Amendments (COPSA), as outlined in the table below:

Parameter	Units	COPSA Standard
Foreign Matter	%	1
Metals- Strong Acid Digestion		
Arsenic	µg/g	75
Cadmium	µg/g	20
Chromium	µg/g	1060
Cobalt	µg/g	150
Copper	µg/g	2200
Lead	µg/g	500
Mercury	µg/g	5
Molybdenum	µg/g	20
Nickel	µg/g	1080
Selenium	µg/g	14
Zinc	µg/g	1850

Any person who may be adversely affected by the proposed application of Blended Ash to agricultural fields and wishes to provide relevant information may, within 30 days after the last date of posting, publishing, service or display, send written comments to the applicant, with a copy to the Director, Environmental Protection at (Industrial.Waste.Authorizations@gov.bc.ca). The identity of any respondents and the contents of anything submitted in relation to this application will become part of the public record.

Dated this 8 day of August, 2025.



(Signature)

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