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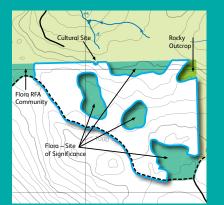
Your Forest Practices Plan

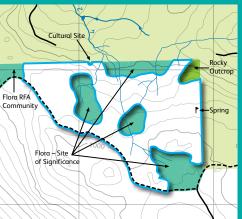
Stage 3

Further surveying has uncovered a small, but significant cultural site and a rocky outcrop that can not be harvested. The cultural site contains the remnants of an old chimney and wire fence that was probably constructed in the 1920s or 30s. As you can see already, just because a coupe has been marked for harvest, does not mean that the entire area can be utilised for obtaining timber.

Stage 4

More groundwork on your behalf has discovered numerous drainage lines running through the coupe, as well as a spring near the boundary. Protecting water values is an essential part of Forest Practices Plans; these drainage lines need to be considered in the planning process.

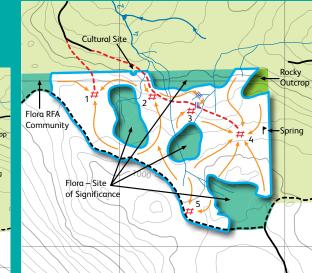




Stage 5

After an extensive survey, you are confident that you have identified all the special values associated with the coupe. Now you can carefully plan how to harvest the remaining area.

Roads need to be built to access the timber. The dotted red lines represent the roads into the coupe. Planning for roading accounts for contours of the land and existing roads to make sure there is the least amount of impact. Landing zones are where the logs will



be initially brought to for grading, which is important for value adding, making sure appropriate logs end up being utilised for the best purpose. Snig tracks (orange arrows) indicate how the logs will be brought to landing zones. Some of these tracks will intercept streams so crossings are also put in place to once again protect water values. All this planning needs to be done before any tree is harvested.

Sticking to the Plan

So, here is your completed Forest Practice Plan map – it shows the area of forest available for harvesting and the places where no logging will occur. The Forest Practice Plan is now developed to detail the prescriptions for the harvesting of the coupe.

The Forest Practices Officer will monitor the activities during the harvesting and ensure that rehabilitation measures and regeneration or replanting strategies meet the guidelines of the Code.





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