“2010 Forested Reclamation Criteria”

ESRD thoughts...
Observations...

- Noxious Weeds

- What is control as required under the weed control act?

- Is this different than implied in the 2010 criteria record of observation (RoO) rating allowances?
Impact of Noxious weeds on Forest Re-establishment?

- What is the impact of certain noxious weeds on forest re-establishment?

- Are they successional species?

- Can a rating of 1 be achieved on sites that have a 1 rating in the control?
What can happen when we try to eliminate noxious weeds?
Minimum Disturbance?

Once bladed it can be difficult to establish vegetation.

What can be done now!!

This is a 10 year old site!!!
Value of understory herbaceous (min 25%) versus woody (min 25% or stem count)?
Is non-routine becoming routine?

- Use of Professional Justification
- Minor weed rating changes
- In-accessible sites
Where do we need to get to...

If you’re ‘on the path’ are you ‘likely to get there’

Minimal impacts will result in maximum reclamation success

Creation of good seed and seedling habitat is essential

The entire A horizon and LFH are extremely important and need to be replaced ASAP!

Use CWD
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