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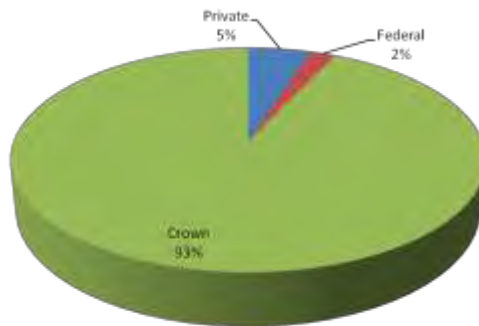


## NORWEGIAN FOREST OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

CONFERENCE  
OCTOBER 19-22  
OSLO, NORWAY

## Manitoba's Private Woodlot Economy

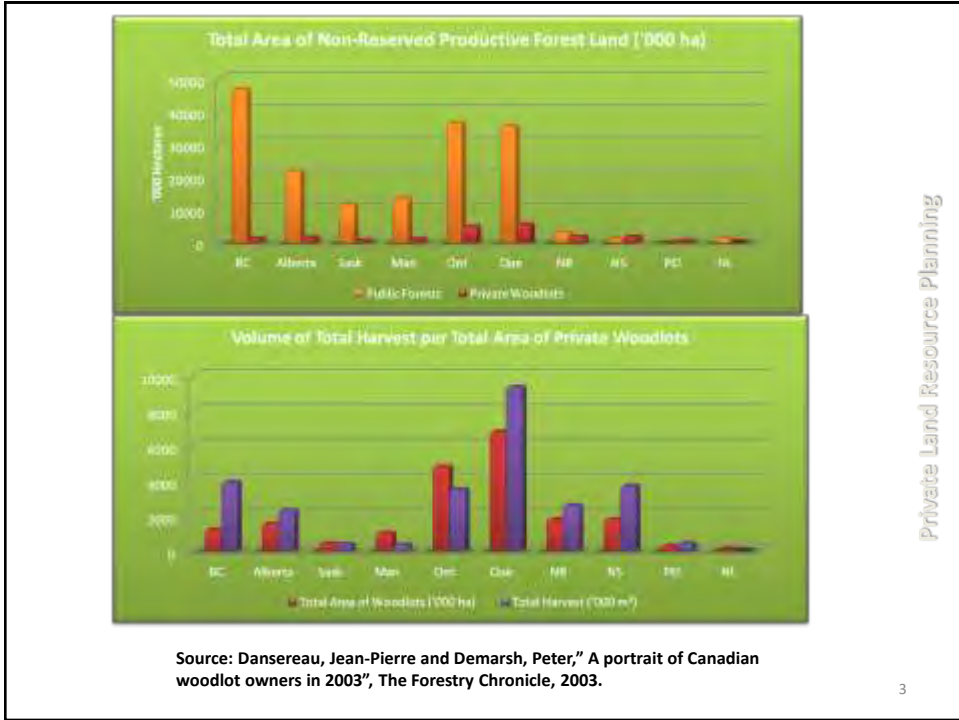
- Small, developing economy
- Most of Manitoba's forested land is provincially owned



Manitoba's Forested Land Base by Ownership

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## Manitoba Forestry Association (MFA)



### Mission:

**Inform and educate all Manitobans about the wise management of trees and forests**

**Promote the sustainable management of Manitoba's forests to ensure they will remain healthy and productive**

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## Manitoba Forestry Association Programs and Services

- **Educational Programs for:**
  - Elementary to high school students
  - Teachers
  - Public
  - Woodlot Owners
- **Tree Planting Events**
- **Annual Seedling Sales**
- **Special Event Seedling Sales**
- **Tree Give Away Events**



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## Services

- **Tree Marking**
- **Harvest Boundary Layout**
- **Log Scaling**
- **Trail Development**
- **Tree Planting**
- **Timber Sale Agreement Facilitation**



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## Manitoba Christmas Tree Growers Association (MCTGA)



- Non-profit organization
- Provide members with the best information on growing quality trees
- Public awareness on the economic and environmental benefits of real Christmas trees
- Encourage good land stewardship



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## Manitoba Christmas Tree Growers Association (MCTGA)

- Board Meeting
- Website
- Social Media
- Marketing/Events
- Providing information on planting strategies, tree management and health.
- Education videos on Christmas tree management
- Shearing
- Pruning



## Woodlots in Manitoba



- A stand of native and/or planted trees on private land
- Unmanaged OR managed
- A need for more education to promote the management of woodlots in Manitoba



## Woodlot Association of Manitoba (WAM)

The MFA's PLRP program works collaboratively with WAM to:

- Increase the awareness and need for the adoption of sustainable forest management practices on private land
- Support economic opportunities through woodlot activities
- Encourage adoption of forest certification
- Provide in house support, such as office space, administration and technical assistance

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## Manitoba's Private Woodlot Economy

- Round wood harvest from private land represents 15% of Manitoba's annual harvest
- Majority of woodlots not used as a single income source
- Current markets for privately sourced wood in Manitoba:
  - Firewood
  - Dimensional lumber
  - Flooring
  - Fencing
  - OSB
  - Kraft paper

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## Decline in Manitoba's Forest Industry

- **Decline in the number of individuals involved in Manitoba's forestry industry**
- **Challenging to operate an independent sawmill**
  - High cost, low profit
- **Challenge for woodlot owners to find loggers and sawyers to harvest and process their wood**

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Private contractors moved west or retired

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## Decline in Manitoba's Forest Industry

- **Financial Crisis, downturn in U.S. housing market in 2008**
- **Closure of Tembec's mill in Pine Falls, MB**
- **Currently only three large mills operating in Manitoba**
  - Tolko (The Pas, MB)
  - Louisiana-Pacific (Swan River, MB)
  - Spruce Products (Swan River, MB)



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## Manitoba's Private Woodlot Economy

Things are looking up!

- Increased demand for firewood and OSB
  - Driving up demand for private wood
  - Driving up prices
- Mill activity outside of Manitoba (Ontario & Minnesota)
- Developing bio-energy industry in Manitoba



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## MARKET ACCESS SERVICES



**THE MANITOBA FORESTRY ASSOCIATION WILL PROVIDE ACCESS TO A DIRECTORY OF LOGGERS AND SAWMILLERS TO HELP FIND A MARKET FOR THEIR WOOD**



## EDUCATION - ENVIROTHON



**FIELD TRAINING PROVIDED  
AT REGIONAL EVENTS**



## ENVIROTHON



- 5 REGIONAL EVENTS
- TEAMS OF 5 COMPETE IN THE OUTDOORS
- TRAINING MATERIALS SUPPLIED
- PROVINCIAL COMPETITION IN MAY 2014
- STUDENTS STUDY FORESTRY, AQUATICS, WILDLIFE & SOILS
- EACH YEAR A DIFFERENT THEME QUESTION IS USED IN A CASE STUDY





# Resource Management Plan

Is the process of.....



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## Resource Management Plan

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Identifying  
the Goals  
and  
Objectives  
of the  
Woodlot  
Owner

Conducting  
a Resource  
Assessment

Developing  
an  
Inventory

Determining the  
Prescription of  
Sustainable Woodlot  
Management  
Activities Tailored to  
the Identified Goals.



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## Resource Management Plans

Help to **achieve a balance** between the woodlot owners goals and the existing resources



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## Resource Management Plans

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Identify the **economic** opportunities



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## Resource Management Plans

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Make operational **recommendations** which promote sustainable forest management



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## RMP Step 1: Identify Objectives and Priorities

Management Objective	Priority
Tree Planting	
Insect and Disease Control	
Soil and Water Conservation	
Recreation/Aesthetics	
Wildlife Enhancement	
Carbon Sequestration	
Non-Timber Forest Product Development	
Timber Harvesting (Firewood or Saw Log )	
Biomass	
Lumber Products	
Value-Added Products	
Ecotourism Development	
Business Development	
Ecological Goods and Services	



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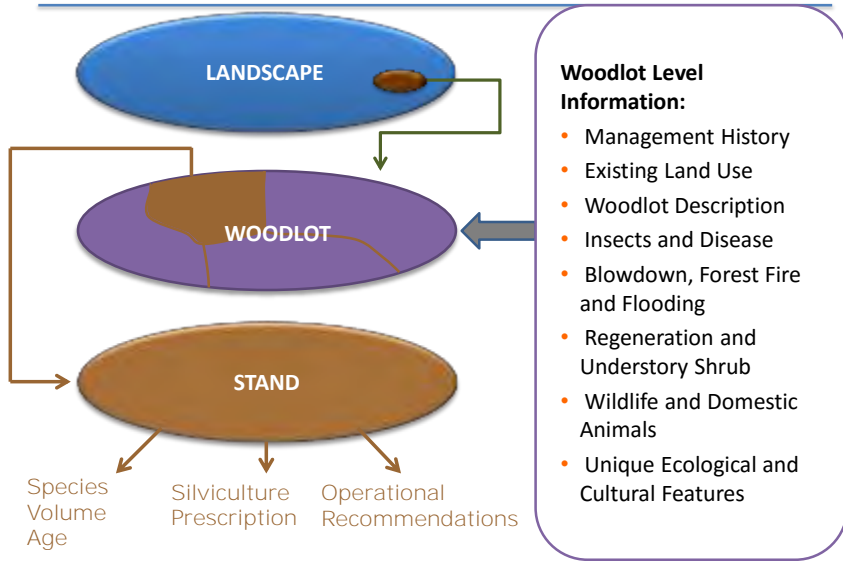
## RMP Step 2: Resource Inventory

Private Land Resource Planning staff will conduct a detailed resource assessment



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## RMP Step 3: Resource Management Plan



## RMP Step 4: Delivery

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- Woodlot Owners are included in the delivery process
- Hand delivered plans allows for the necessary follow up and opportunity to educate the landowner
- Lifespan of Resource Plan =10 years



## Training and Extension

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### Objective:





## Training and Extension

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### Opportunities:

- Provide forestry skills training to promote active sustainable management.
- Training landowners, contractors and organizations.
- Increase awareness on various forestry related subjects through workshops.

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## Training and Extension

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### Chainsaw Safety



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# Training and Extension

## Low Impact Logging



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## SEEDLING SALE SERVICES

- **LANDOWNERS CAN ORDER SEEDLINGS FROM THE MANITOBA FORESTRY ASSOCIATION FOR REFORESTATION AND AFFORESTATION**



**ALL SEEDLINGS ARE GROWN IN MANITOBA AND SUITED FOR OUR HARSH CLIMATIC CONDITIONS**

## WOODLOT ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA



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- **The Woodlot Association of Alberta Mission Statement:**
- **"The Woodlot Association of Alberta's purpose is to promote leadership in sustainable forest management by encouraging the development of private forests by increasing awareness of their inherent social, economic and environmental values"**
- **Motto**  
**Promoting Leadership in Sustainable Forest Management**

## WOODLOT ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA

- Woodlot Extension Library
- The Woodlot Association has, over the years, helped to maintain a woodlot extension library containing approximately 2000 titles.

## WOODLOT ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA SERVICES

- Training & Education
- [Chainsaw Safety Training](#)
- [Safety Training for Forestry Workers](#)
- [St. Johns Wilderness First Aid](#)

## WOODLOT ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA

- **On-Line Resources**
- [Basics of Geographic Information Systems](#)
  - University of Minnesota Extension
- [Business Start-Up Assistant](#)
  - Information site for starting a business in Canada
- [Cornell GIS Database Server](#)
- [Geocaching](#)
  - Sport of geocaching popular around the globe
- [Geogratis - Landsat 7 Orthorectified Imagery over Canada](#)
- [GoForestry](#)
- [Stewardship Canada Portal](#)
- [The Forest Shop](#)
  - Your complete source for books on forestry and the outdoors!
- [Canadian Wood Business](#)
  - Online newsletter on dealing with forestry and wood issues

## WOODLOT ASSOCIATION OF ALBERTA

- **PROVIDES A LIST OF FORESTRY  
CONTRACTORS AND CONSULTANTS TO  
MEMBERS**

## FEDERATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA WOODLOT OWNERS



## FEDERATION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA WOODLOT ASSOCIATIONS

- The Federation of British Columbia Woodlot Associations (FBCWA) promotes the economic and social interests of woodlot licensees, private forest landowners and others involved in small-scale forest management in British Columbia.
- The FBCWA's mission is for all its members to practice exemplary forest and natural resources management in a socially, economically and environmentally responsible manner.

## **FEDERATION OF BC WOODLOT ASSOCIATIONS**

- **ASSOCIATION SERVICES INCLUDE:**
  - 1. NEWSLETTER**
  - 2. REPORTS AND PUBLICATIONS**
  - 3. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND PROCEEDINGS**
  - 4. FIELD DAY TOURS**
  - 5. INFORMATION ON WOODLOTS FOR SALE**

## **FEDERATION OF BC WOODLOT ASSOCIATIONS**

- **MEMBERS ONLY SERVICES SUCH AS HOW TO APPLY FOR PERMITS, HOW TO FIND AAC, FIRST NATIONS INFO SHARING**
- **NETWORKING: CONTRACTOR INFORMATION IS REGULARLY SHARED WITH MEMBERS ie WHO IS MOST CAREFUL WITH LOGGING EQUIPMENT ETC.**
- **E-BUSINESS FOREST MANAGEMENT SUPPORT**

# Conclusion



Private Land Resource Services

Delivering resource management services to private woodlot owners and others.



Plans, Training and Extension and Services.



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# THANK YOU!



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