

CUSTOMER UPDATE

# Certifying Our Forests

Volume 2, Number 1 – January 2001

## Public Participation Key Component for Canfor's CSA Certification

Building on the recent International Organization for Standardization (ISO) 14001 certification of its remaining forestlands acquired during the Northwood purchase, Canfor has successfully completed the latest phase of its certification strategy.

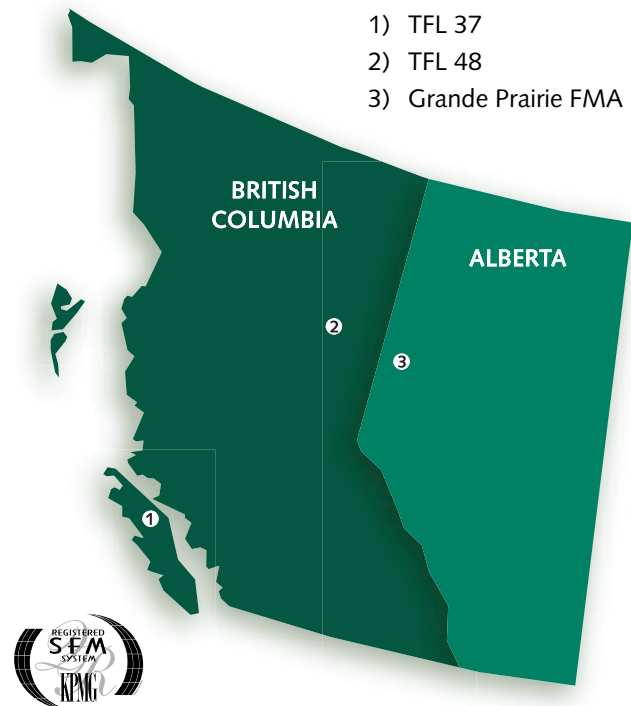
In keeping with the commitment outlined in its sustainable forestry certification plans, Canfor has now achieved certification under the Canadian Standards Association (CSA) Sustainable Forest Management Standard (CAN/CSA-Z809-96). This certification applies to our Forest Management Agreement area in Grande Prairie, Alberta and Tree Farm Licences on Vancouver Island at Englewood (TFL37) and in northern BC at Chetwynd (TFL48). These certifications, which encompass approximately 1.5 million hectares, are the largest in Canada and establish Canfor as a forest industry leader in the North American eco-certification effort.

Canfor pursued CSA certification not only because the standard is consistent with international criteria for sustainability but because the standard also includes:

- A high degree of public participation in defining the Sustainable Forest Management Plan
- Independent audits by accredited registrars
- Continual improvement of the plan

Canfor's President and CEO, David Emerson, stated that "the company specifically chose the CSA Sustainable Forest Management Standard because of its stringent requirements and the fact that the public, including environmental stakeholders, play a role in defining the Company's Sustainable Forest Management (SFM) plan." Canfor then undergoes an audit of the SFM plan and the company's on the ground performance. Mr. Emerson went on to say that, "By going through an extensive public participation process, you give the certification credibility." By fulfilling commitments in its certification strategy, Canfor is continuing to provide the independent proof of our environmental performance to our customers and stakeholders.

## Canfor's CSA Certified Forest Operations Total Hectares – 1.5 Million



## Canfor Certification Progress

Certification Standard	Status
ISO 14001	All forestlands certified
CSA	1.5 million hectares certified
FSC	Public input solicitation in Englewood, Chetwynd and Grande Prairie

[www.canfor.com](http://www.canfor.com)





## Canfor Completes ISO Certification of All Its Forestlands

Canfor recently announced the completion of its ISO certification of the forestlands acquired in the purchase of Northwood less than one year ago. This certification makes Canfor one of the first forest companies to certify all of its woodlands operations under the ISO 14001 standard and gives the company the largest area of ISO 14001 certified forestlands in North America with over 7.5 million hectares.

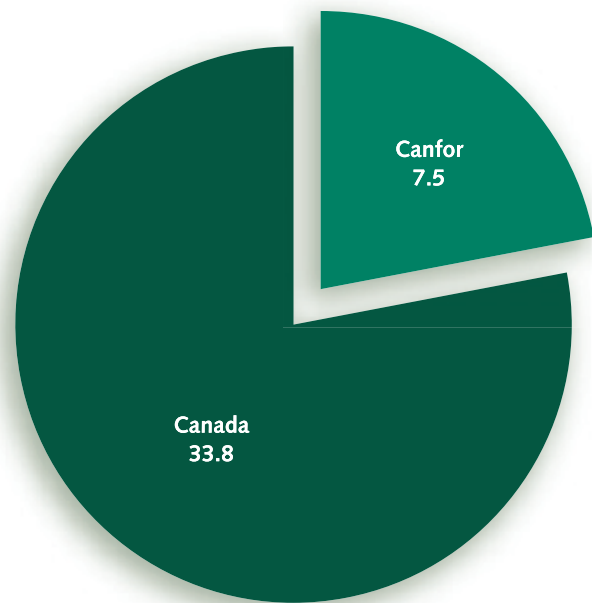
### Future Certification Efforts

Canfor's three pulp mills already have ISO certification, and plans are in place to register the former Northwood mill by early 2001 to cover all of the company's pulp and paper production.

CSA certification efforts continue for Canfor's remaining area-based tenure, McGregor Tree Farm Licence 30, located near Prince George, British Columbia. As required by the CSA standard, Canfor is currently working with a public advisory group to solicit input into the SFM plan. CSA certification is expected to be complete by mid-2001. The McGregor Tree Farm License, acquired during the Northwood purchase, is approximately 180,000 hectares in size. Canfor is also proceeding with its CSA certification strategy for its volume-based tenures and work is underway in the Morice and Fort St. John Timber Supply Areas where it is hoped that certification to the CSA Sustainable Forest Management Standard will be achieved in 2001.

Canfor continues to monitor the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) regional standards development process. At the same time, the company has been preparing its area-based tenures for FSC certification. In accordance with FSC certification guidelines, Canfor's FSC certifier, KPMG Forest Certification Services Inc., has developed the evaluation criteria for Canfor's FSC certification initiative and has made it available to all interested stakeholders and individuals to solicit public input.

**Total Certified Forestlands in Canada**  
Millions of Hectares



- Canfor currently has 22 per cent of the total forestlands certified in Canada.
- Canadian total includes ISO, CSA, FSC, SFI

Source: Canadian Sustainable Forestry Certification Coalition

For more information, please contact:

Paul Wooding  
Manager, Forestry Certification and Market Access  
Canadian Forest Products Ltd.  
2900-1055 Dunsmuir Street, PO Box 49420 Bentall Postal Station, Vancouver,  
B.C. V7X 1B5

Phone: 604.661.5423  
e-mail: pwooding@mail.canfor.ca