

CANADIAN BOREAL FOREST AGREEMENT – SASKATCHEWAN

The Forest Products Association of Canada (FPAC) and nine leading environmental organizations have signed an unprecedented agreement — the Canadian Boreal Forest Agreement.

When fully implemented, the Agreement will settle long-standing conflicts over forest practices and result in large-scale conservation of Canada’s Boreal Forest, world-leading sustainable forest management, and a competitive market edge for participating companies. This historic agreement has significant implications for the Province of Saskatchewan, which is home 6,600 forestry-related jobs and contains nearly 40 million hectares of the country’s Boreal Forest.

The Canadian Boreal Forest Agreement in Saskatchewan’s Boreal Forest:

In total, Saskatchewan is home to 39,544,455.49 hectares of boreal forest.

- 2,224,708.45 hectares of the FPAC member tenure lands in Saskatchewan fall under the Canadian Boreal Forest Agreement
- The Canadian Boreal Forest Agreement applies to 857,280.55 hectares of caribou range within the FPAC member tenure lands in Saskatchewan
- Saskatchewan has 12,065,554.12 hectares of commercial forest within its Boreal zone
- The Canadian Boreal Forest Agreement commits to no harvesting or road-building in 855,651.23 hectares of caribou range in Saskatchewan

The following FPAC member companies have put aside tenure lands in Saskatchewan under the Canadian Boreal Forest Agreement:

- Tolko Industries Ltd.
- Weyerhaeuser Company Ltd.

Economic Landscape of Saskatchewan’s Forest Industry:

Employment:

- 2,600 direct jobs
- 4,000 indirect jobs

Forest products establishments:

- Wood Products Facilities: 91
- Pulp and Paper Facilities: 8

Exports:

- Total forest products exports: \$253 million (1.2% of provincial total)
- Forest products positive trade balance: \$181 million (1.2% of provincial total)

Revenues from goods manufactured:

- Logging activities - \$90 million
 - Wood products - \$243 million
 - Pulp and paper - \$47 million
- Total = \$381 million

**All data for 2009*