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THE FOREST DEVELOPMENT RESEARCH TRUST FUND ACT

(Assented to , 1974)

HER MAJESTY, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Assembly of Alberta, enacts as follows:

1. In this Act,

- (a) "Council" means the Advisory Council appointed by the Minister;
- (b) "Fund" means the Forest Development Research Trust Fund;
- (c) "Minister" means the Minister of Lands and Forests.

2. (1) There is hereby established a fund called the "Forest Development Research Trust Fund" which shall be held and administered by the Minister and which shall consist of moneys appropriated by the Legislature therefor and paid into the Fund from time to time by the Provincial Treasurer at the request of the Minister together with such gifts, bequests and transfers as may be received for that purpose.

(2) The Minister, on the advice of the Council, shall make payments from the Fund to finance research programs oriented toward improved timber management and forest production.

3. (1) The Minister shall appoint a Council of not less than 11 members.

(2) The Chairman of the Council shall be an employee of the Alberta Forest Service of the Department of Lands and Forests designated by the Minister as Chairman.

(3) The Chairman shall appoint a secretary who need not be a member of the Council.

(4) Other members of the Council shall include:

- (a) the Director of the Northern Forest Research Centre in the Department of the Environment of the Government of Canada,

Explanatory Notes

1. Definitions.

2. Establishment of trust fund.

3. Establishment of the Advisory Council.

- (b) the Chairman of the Department of Forest Science in the Faculty of Agriculture and Forestry of the University of Alberta,
 - (c) the Director of Forestry,
 - (d) one representative nominated by the Alberta Forest Products Association, and
 - (e) one representative nominated by The Research Council of Alberta.
- (5) A majority of members of the Council constitutes a quorum.
- (6) A member referred to in subsection (4) may in writing appoint a person to be an alternate member of the Council to act in his stead as a member of the Council in the event of his absence or inability to act.
- (7) The Council shall meet at least once a year on a date to be fixed by the Chairman.
- (8) The Minister may provide by order for the payment of expenses to members of the Council.
- (9) In accordance with *The Public Service Act* there may be appointed such staff as may be required to carry out the purposes of this Act.
- (10) The Minister may obtain the services of any agents or persons having technical or professional knowledge of a kind required by the Board in connection with its affairs and may fix their remuneration.

4. The Council shall

- (a) establish forest research priorities,
- (b) co-ordinate forest research, and
- (c) make recommendations to the Minister concerning the allocation of research funds from the Fund.

5. (1) The Council may make by-laws respecting

- (a) the time and place for meetings of the Council and the proceedings to be followed at such meetings, and
- (b) the general conduct of the business and affairs of the Council.

(2) A by-law is not effective

- (a) unless it is passed by a majority of the Council, and
- (b) until it is approved by the Minister.

(3) A by-law signed by a majority of the Council is as valid and effective as if passed at a meeting of the Council.

4. Duties of the Council.

5. By-laws of the Council.

6. (1) The Council may at any time delegate any of their powers, except the power to make by-laws, to committees consisting of Council members or of such other persons as the Council considers advisable.

(2) Any committee so formed shall, in the exercise of the powers so delegated, conform and be subject to the directions and restrictions, if any, that are imposed upon it by the Council and to the by-laws.

7. This Act comes into force on the day upon which it is assented to.

6. Delegation of authority.