



## WATER QUALITY POLICY

Powell River Community Forest (PRCF) will ensure the quality and quantity and timing of flows of water generated within our chart area are maintained or enhanced by:

- Ensuring that road location, design, construction, maintenance and deactivation effectively minimize sediment from reaching a stream that is capable of impacting water quality
- Cutblock design provides for adequate riparian management to ensure natural stream functions
- Conduct wildfire risk assessments for all cutblocks and mitigate hazards where required
- Protecting and improving the health of the Community Forest by effective disease control
- Preparing practical instructions and hands-on direction for road builders and loggers to protect water quality
- Closely monitoring and supervising all operations conducted in areas with watercourses

### Haslam Lake, Lang Creek Community Watershed

PRCF will ensure that all forest activities within the Haslam Lake, Lang Creek Community Watershed conducted by PRCF will be consistent with the recommendations of a hydrologic assessment. The hydrologic assessment will:

- a) be written by a Qualified Professional;
- b) consider the potential for hydrologic changes, within the watershed, associated with climate change and industrial activities;
- c) indicate that planned and existing harvesting and road building are unlikely to result in an elevated risk to a licenced waterworks associated with increased peak flows;
- d) contain a survey of existing sediment sources that could impact a licenced waterworks;
- e) assess riparian and channel conditions upstream of any licenced waterworks;
- f) include a watershed report card; and
- g) provide recommendations that mitigate the risk of the primary forestry activities

PRCF will also work with other tenure holders to incorporate their planned and existing activities into the hydrologic assessment.