

January 10, 2025

Re: Round 60 Call for Applications for Forestry Futures Silviculture Projects

I am pleased to invite you to participate in the 60th call for applications for silviculture funding from the Forestry Futures Trust (FFT). We encourage you to submit applications for eligible work by the deadline of Friday, February 14, 2025.

Applications should include a wood supply analysis, emphasize the cost effectiveness of described treatments, and demonstrate that treatment areas have been surveyed for accuracy. Funding preference will be given to projects which are on productive sites, have good access, and are an economical distance from the mill.

Silviculture project application and budget forms can be found on our website (www.forestryfutures.com) under 'Forms and Reports/Downloadable Forms'. We ask that you download and submit *only* the most current versions of these forms.

The FFTC Silviculture Project Application Guide (revised January 2025) is provided with this letter and also available for download from our website. We recommend that you review it for an understanding of the four eligibility categories: Intensive Stand Management, Stand Rehabilitation of Natural Disturbances, Pest Control, and Insolvency. Appendix 1 provides a list of project conditions currently eligible for funding in each category and Appendix 2 provides clarification of conditions under which tending treatments may be considered as eligible expenses. The Guide also outlines information that the Committee requires and uses to evaluate projects and prioritize funding allocation.

Note that Appendix 1 of the Guide has been amended to include Category 2e that clarifies the eligibility of proposals that follow up with treatments on previously funded natural disturbance projects. You are also encouraged to pay close attention and review the details found in *Considerations for Preparing an FFT Silviculture Application* (pages i and ii of the Guide). This section is regularly improved to provide clarity for applicants.

Please submit applications electronically including signatures and R.P.F. seals to <u>Attn:</u> <u>FFTC Chair</u> at <u>admin@forestryfutures.com.</u>

All information contained in your Project Application and supporting documentation is considered public information subject to the application of the <u>Freedom of Information</u> and Privacy Act R.S.P. 1990. c. F. 31, and is collected under the authority of the Act.

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A submission containing incomplete information or in which key elements are missing will be returned to the applicant. Some opportunities for revisions may be provided on a case-by-case basis. Each applicant will be advised, in writing, of the Committee's decision by March 14, 2025.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me through our office at (807) 343-8010 ext. 8503 or directly to Shelley Vescio, Program Coordinator, at (807) 343-8010 ext. 8851.

Sincerely,

R.A. Riley, R.P.F. (Hon) Chair, Forestry Futures Trust Committee