PROVINCE OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

ORDER OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL

Order in Council No.

524

, Approved and Ordered

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Lieutenant Governor

Executive Council Chambers, Victoria

On the recommendation of the undersigned, the Lieutenant Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, orders that the Wildfire Regulation, B.C. Reg. 38/2005, is amended as set out in the attached Schedule.

Minister of Forests and Range and Minister Responsible for Housing Presiding Member of the Executive Council

(This part is for administrative purposes only and is not part of the Order.)

Authority under which Order is made:

Act and section:-

Wildfire Act, S.B.C. 2004, c. 31, sections 4, 69 and 72

Other (specify):-

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SCHEDULE

- 1 Section 1 of the Wildfire Regulation, B.C. Reg. 38/2005, is amended
 - (a) in subsection (1) by repealing the definition of "fire suppression system" and substituting the following:

"fire suppression system" means a system for suppressing fire by delivering

- (a) water,
- (b) a suppressant,
- (c) a surfactant, or
- (d) any combination of the substances listed in paragraphs (a) to (c) and includes a water delivery system;
- (b) in subsection (1) in the definition "high risk activity" by striking out "each of the following:" and by repealing paragraphs (h) to (q) and substituting the following:
 - (h) clearing and maintaining rights of way, including grass mowing;
 - (i) any of the following activities carried out in a cutblock excluding a road, landing, roadside work area or log sort area in the cutblock:
 - (i) operating a power saw;
 - (ii) mechanical tree felling, woody debris piling or tree processing, including de-limbing;
 - (iii) welding;
 - (iv) portable wood chipping, milling, processing or manufacturing;
 - (v) skidding logs or log forwarding unless it is improbable that the skidding or forwarding will result in the equipment contacting rock;
 - (vi) yarding logs using cable systems;, and
- (c) in subsection (3) by striking out paragraphs (a) to (m) and substituting the following:
 - (a) high risk activities;
 - (b) operating equipment or machinery in relation to forest management during
 - (i) road construction, road maintenance and road deactivation,
 - (ii) timber harvesting, including sorting logs,
 - (iii) mechanical modification of forest debris and debris piling,
 - (iv) silviculture treatments, or
 - (v) portable wood chipping, milling, processing or manufacturing;
 - (c) operating equipment or machinery in relation to activities other than forest management during
 - (i) debris piling,
 - (ii) road construction, road maintenance or road deactivation,
 - (iii) rock drilling,
 - (iv) mining operations,

- (v) railway operations,
- (vi) utility transmission operations, or
- (vii) portable wood chipping, milling, processing or manufacturing.
- 2 Section 4 is amended by striking out "Before April 1" and substituting 'Before March 1" and by striking out "between April 1 and October 31" and substituting "on or after March 1 and before November 1".
- 3 Section 6 is amended
 - (a) by repealing subsection (1), and
 - (b) in subsection (2) by striking out "during a fire season" and substituting "on or after March 1 and before November 1, unless the area is snow covered,".
- 4 Section 7 (a) is amended by striking out "refuse disposal," and substituting "wood waste disposal,".
- 5 Section 9 (d) is amended by striking out "April 1st" and substituting "March 1st".