QUESNEL & AREA COMMUNITY WILDFIRE ROUNDTABLE S

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## FESBC - WHO WE ARE

- An agency of government
- Reporting to the Minister of Forests through the Office of the Chief Forester
- Proponent driven we rely on eligible parties to submit applications to complete eligible activities
- Reduce the risk of wildfire around communities
- To utilize fibre that would be burnt
- And where possible both



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# FESBC – OUR HISTORY

- Since inception, FESBC has funded 179 Wildfire Risk Reduction Projects throughout the province
- Value approaching \$87 Million
- In the Quesnel Forest District 3 projects \$2.6 Million
- Eligible projects include Planning, manual and mechanical treatments, utilizing fibre, hazard abatement
- Operate on provincial crown land
- We compliment the District led WRR program where Land manger support is provided





# FESBC – OUR FUTURE

- 2024 budget provided \$20 million per year for the next 3 years.
- 50% of the funds for WRR
- 50% of the funds for fibre utilization
- Short term priority
  - To fund shelf ready projects needing funding for completion by March 2025
  - To create new prescriptions and complete planning to start 1500 ha/yr of treatments starting April 1, 2025 and then April 1, 2026

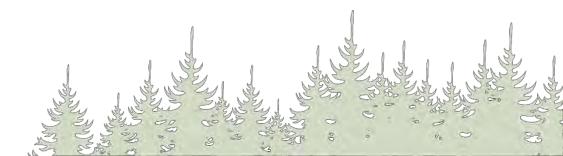




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#### MAKING AN APPLICATION

- Visit the FESBC website, www.fesbc.ca
- Read the WRR guidebook
- Phone an Operations Manager
- Seek Land Manger support for the project
- Fill out an application in the Portal



#### WHAT DOES THIS WORK LOOK LIKE





Before







#### **Completed Treatment**











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