

AMENDMENTS TO FRPA REFORESTATION REGULATIONS  
February 7, 2017 – effective March 9, 2017

11 AAC 95.375(d) is amended to read:

(d) Reforestation must be achieved within five years after harvest in Region I and seven years after harvest in Region II and Region III as follows:

(1) in Region I, the number of vigorous, undamaged, and well distributed seedlings of commercial tree species must average at least 200 trees per acre and must have survived on site for a minimum of two years;

(2) in Region II or Region III, the number of vigorous, undamaged, and well distributed seedlings of commercial tree species must average a minimum of 450 trees per acre and must have survived on site for a minimum of two years;

(3) in all regions adequate reforestation means a combination of seedlings and residual trees that will meet the standards set out in this subsection and in (b) of this section;  
[AND]

(4) in Region I, no more than 10 percent of the harvest area or contiguous areas may be below the stocking levels as set out in (1) [OR (2)] of this subsection;

(5) in Region II or III, no more than 20 percent of the harvest area or contiguous areas may be below the stocking levels as set out in (2) of this subsection; and;

(6) in Region II or Region III, the division may allow a period of up to 12 years for natural regeneration where site conditions indicate a high likelihood of regeneration success within that period based on information in the detailed plan of operations

11 AAC 95.385. Regeneration survey and report. (a) is amended to read:

(a) A forest landowner in Region II or III shall conduct a regeneration survey or provide alternative documentation and shall file a regeneration report with the division. A forest landowner in Region I shall file a regeneration report with the division and, if requested by the division, conduct a regeneration survey. A regeneration survey or alternative documentation must be conducted in a manner acceptable to the division. In an area reforested by natural regeneration, planting, or artificial seeding, a regeneration report shall be submitted within

(1) five years after timber harvest in Region I; a visual overview is acceptable in areas of obvious reforestation, however, the division may require a regeneration survey if the division determines the visual overview is inaccurate;

(2) seven years after the timber harvest in Region II or III; if the period for natural regeneration is extended to 12 years under 11 AAC 95.375(d)(6), a regeneration report shall be submitted

(A) within five years after the timber harvest to determine whether the reforestation requirements are likely to be met; and if the report shows deficiencies in reforestation, the division will direct the forest landowner to correct them;

(B) within 12 years after the timber harvest to document that the reforestation requirements have been met; if the report shows deficiencies in reforestation, the division will direct the forest landowner to correct them.