



<p><b>Project: Policy Assessment of Open Burning Smoke Control Regulation (OBSCR)</b></p> <p><b>Proponents: Ministries of Health; Environment; Forest, Lands and Natural Resource Operations; and Agriculture</b></p> <p>Policy assessment of a proposed revision of the regulation controlling open burning of vegetative debris from timber harvesting, agriculture and land development. The project included case studies of alternative practices to manage and possibly lessen smoke from open burning of vegetative debris; an evaluation of the economic benefits (avoided damages) of the health impact of the improved air quality that the new regulation can help achieve; and case study of a community’s smoke management situation before and after implementation of a revised OBSCR.</p>
<p><b>Project: Program evaluation of the Small Scale Salvage Program (SSSP)</b></p> <p><b>Proponent: Ministry of Forests and Range</b></p> <p>Wide ranging program evaluation. The project included an extensive interview program with Ministry of Forests and Range staff and SSSP participants, constructed a program logic model, prepared evaluation matrix, evaluation questions, and interview questionnaires and developed extensive recommendations.</p>
<p><b>Project: Strategic analysis of the performance and infrastructure of coastal BC transportation, including ferry, air, barge, and rail</b></p> <p><b>Proponent: EBM Working Group</b></p> <p>Project undertaken in collaboration with Chisholm Consulting. Strategic analysis of the transportation system of the BC Central and North Coasts, which identified and analyzed its key issues, and made recommendations about what the next steps should be towards improving it. The project had four stages: (1) a situation analysis that researched and documents the physical and economic setting, each of the four transportation modes, and the many small communities in the region; (2) an in-depth Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) Assessment for each of air transportation, road transportation, ferries and other commercial vessels, rail, cruise ships and major ports; (3) identification of strategic issues in transportation and development of high level business cases; and (4) development and presentation of recommendations to address each of the strategic issues. See <a href="https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/farming-natural-resources-and-industry/natural-resource-use/land-water-use/crown-land/land-use-plans-and-objectives/westcoast-region/great-bear-rainforest/hw03d_final_report.pdf">https://www2.gov.bc.ca/assets/gov/farming-natural-resources-and-industry/natural-resource-use/land-water-use/crown-land/land-use-plans-and-objectives/westcoast-region/great-bear-rainforest/hw03d_final_report.pdf</a></p>