



## **FRIAA – Enhanced Reforestation of Legacy Disturbances (EnRLD) Program EnRLD 2025 Reforestation Activities RFP-Information / Question & Answer Session Notes**

**Date:** November 8, 2024

**Time:** 11:00 MST

For additional information or clarification please contact Rashelle Harley [admin@friaa.ab.ca](mailto:admin@friaa.ab.ca)

### **Attendees:**

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| • Daniel Chicoine      | • Evan Tuck         |
| • Richard Gish         | • Scott Formaniuk   |
| • Jaelyn Dietz         | • Eric Nijboer      |
| • Ben Secker           | • Mellisa Carroll   |
| • Steve Blanton        | • Fionnuala Carroll |
| • Hazel Cameron-Inglis | • Rene Jarosch      |
| • Diana White          | • Toni Anderson     |
| • Tracy Zurborg        | • Ben Harper-Heir   |

### **Instructions:**

#### **THE CALL WILL START PROMPTLY AT 11:00 A.M.**

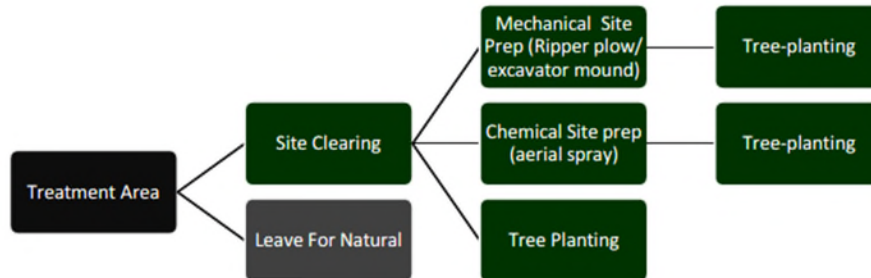
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### **Agenda (subject to change):**

1. Introduction
  - Thank-you for phoning in today and good morning on behalf of the Forest Resource Improvement Association of Alberta or “FRIAA”.
  - FRIAA EnRLD Program Administrators: Daniel Chicoine and Rashelle Harley
  - This call is being recorded, and notes will be posted on [www.friaa.ab.ca](http://www.friaa.ab.ca)
  - More information about FRIAA and our programs and new grants, including the Enhanced Reforestation of Legacy Disturbances (EnRLD) Program, can be found on our website at [www.friaa.ab.ca](http://www.friaa.ab.ca)
  - Please send an email with your name, title and organization to [admin@friaa.ab.ca](mailto:admin@friaa.ab.ca) within 24 hours after the teleconference to confirm your participation and contact details. This will allow us to notify you if we have any additional information to share.
  - The purpose of today’s call is to help you prepare applications that meet the criteria for submission to the grant process for FRIAA’s EnRLD 2025 Reforestation Activities Request for Proposals.
2. Information Regarding the EnRLD 2025 Reforestation Activities Request for Proposals (RFP)
  - Review required information requested in the RFP to ensure a successful submission.

- Overview of additional documents provided including Proposal Template, Workplan Budget, and Assessment Data fields.
  - Address points requiring additional clarification and/or answers to pre-submitted questions.
    - **Do all the eligible areas in the RFP have to be treated? Even the outlier areas?**
      - a. **Applicants need to specify the number of hectares they plan to treat within their proposal. This specificity is necessary to ensure that the treatment plans are realistic and achievable within the budget constraints.**
    - **What level of consultation is required, and would that be on the proponent or FRIAA/GOA?**
      - a. **FRIAA has started FNC.**
3. Grant Application Process
- Review submission process through FRIAA Submissions Portal.
  - Request for Proposals Submission Deadline – Tuesday November 19, 2024, before 16:00 MST.
  - EnRLD Review Panel Meeting- last week of November.
  - Successful Applicant(s) to be notified sometime in early December following the board meeting and should be prepared for project implementation shortly after.
4. Conclusion
- a. Thank you for your participation – a summary of this information session will be posted to the FRIAA website within the following week for your reference.
  - b. Please send an email with your name, title, and organization to [admin@friaa.ab.ca](mailto:admin@friaa.ab.ca) within 24 hrs of this information session to confirm your participation and contact details. This will allow us to notify you if we have any additional information to share.
  - c. For any additional questions that may come up following this information session, please contact [admin@friaa.ab.ca](mailto:admin@friaa.ab.ca) with the title “EnRLD 2025 Reforestation Activities Questions”.
  - d. We look forward to receiving your proposals. Wrap Up / Questions by Applicants.
5. Additional Questions:
- **Can applicants use 2 Billion Tree funding for this project?**
    - a. **No, since FRIAA will already be leveraging 2 Billion Tree funding.**
  - **When can the project start?**
    - a. **Ideally in January of 2025, however work cannot start until FNC Adequacy has been received.**
  - **Was there an additional buffer put in place for consultation?**
    - a. **An additional buffer was not submitted for consultation.**

- Can applicants gain access to the site assessment prescriptions?
  - a. **The full report is not available to applicants, however prescriptions are available within the shapefiles and base prescription table is available below.**



Silvicultural Prescription	Battle Complex <sup>1</sup> Assessed Area (ha)
Full prescription with MSP: site clearing (felling a/o knockdown), piling, debris disposal, mechanical site preparation, tree-planting	1,051
Full prescription with CSP: site clearing (felling a/o knock-down), piling, debris disposal, chemical site preparation, tree-planting	515
Modified prescription (no MSP/CSP): site clearing (felling a/o knock-down), piling, debris disposal and tree-planting	166
<b>Total Area with active silvicultural prescription</b>	<b>1,732</b>
Leave for Natural	4,363

- How detailed do applicants need to be in terms of prescriptions?
  - a. **FRIAA is looking for the number of hectares to be treated. Identifying a geographic area and priorities. A table outlining areas and prescriptions would be ideal.**