

Gouvernement du Québec

O.C. 56-2008, 31 January 2008

Forest Act
(R.S.Q., c. F-4.1)

Forest royalties
— Amendments

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting forest royalties

WHEREAS, under subparagraphs 1, 2 and 3 of the first paragraph of section 172 of the Forest Act (R.S.Q., c. F-4.1), the Government may, by regulation,

(1) determine, for each species, group of species and quality of timber or, where applicable, for each area of land, the unit rate or the rules of calculation of the unit rate at which the Minister is to determine, for any class of forest management permit, the dues payable by the permit holder;

(2) establish forest tariffing zones for the establishment of the unit rates at which the amounts of dues are to be determined by the Minister;

(3) establish in particular the conditions governing the granting of credits applicable to the payment of dues referred to in section 73.1 of the Act, including the information, reports or other documents to be prepared or submitted;

WHEREAS the Government made the Regulation respecting forest royalties by Order in Council 372-87 dated 18 March 1987;

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the Regulation;

WHEREAS, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (R.S.Q., c. R-18.1), the draft Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting forest royalties was published in Part 2 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* of 24 October 2007 with a notice that it could be made by the Government on the expiry of 45 days following that publication;

WHEREAS the 45-day period has expired;

WHEREAS comments have been submitted in respect of the draft Regulation since that publication;

WHEREAS it is expedient to make the Regulation with amendments;

IT IS ORDERED, therefore, on the recommendation of the Minister of Natural Resources and Wildlife:

THAT the Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting forest royalties, attached to this Order in Council, be made.

GÉRARD BIBEAU,
Clerk of the Conseil exécutif

Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting forest royalties*

Forest Act
(R.S.Q., c. F-4.1, s. 172, 1st par., subpars. 1, 2, 3 and 9)

1. Section 1 of the Regulation respecting forest royalties is amended by replacing “One hundred and sixty-one” in the first paragraph by “One hundred and eighty-seven”.

2. Section 2 is amended by adding the following sentence at the end of the second paragraph: “The Minister of Natural Resources and Wildlife shall publish the reference unit rates for the stumpage value of standing timber in Part 1 of the *Gazette officielle du Québec* and may also ensure wider publicity by any other means.”.

3. Section 3 is amended

(1) by replacing “\$444” in the first paragraph by “\$200”;

(2) by striking out the second, third and fourth paragraphs.

4. Section 11.3 is amended by replacing “vouchers” by “a list of expenses” and “, or a financial report relating to those costs audited by an accountant not employed by the agreement holder” by the following sentence: “The list must be approved by an accountant who is a member of a professional order and be in the form and tenor prescribed by the Minister.”.

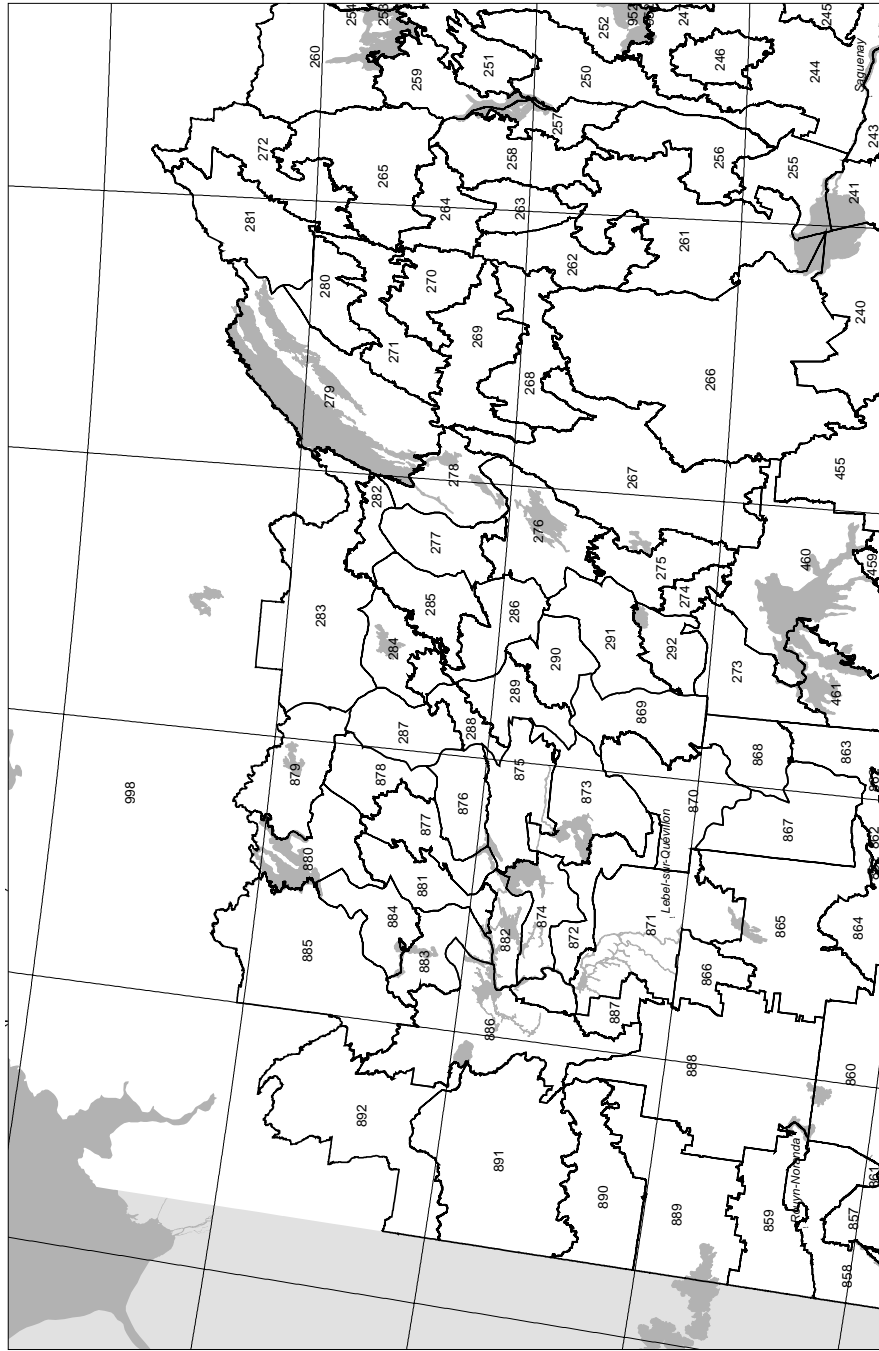
5. Schedule I is replaced by the Schedule attached to this Regulation.

6. This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*, except sections 1 and 5, which come into force on 1 April 2008.

* The Regulation respecting forest royalties, made by Order in Council 372-87 dated 18 March 1987 (1987, *G.O.* 2, 1099), was last amended by the regulation made by Order in Council 385-2006 dated 10 May 2006 (2006, *G.O.* 2, 1415B). For previous amendments, refer to the *Tableau des modifications et Index sommaire*, Québec Official Publisher, 2007, updated to 1 September 2007.

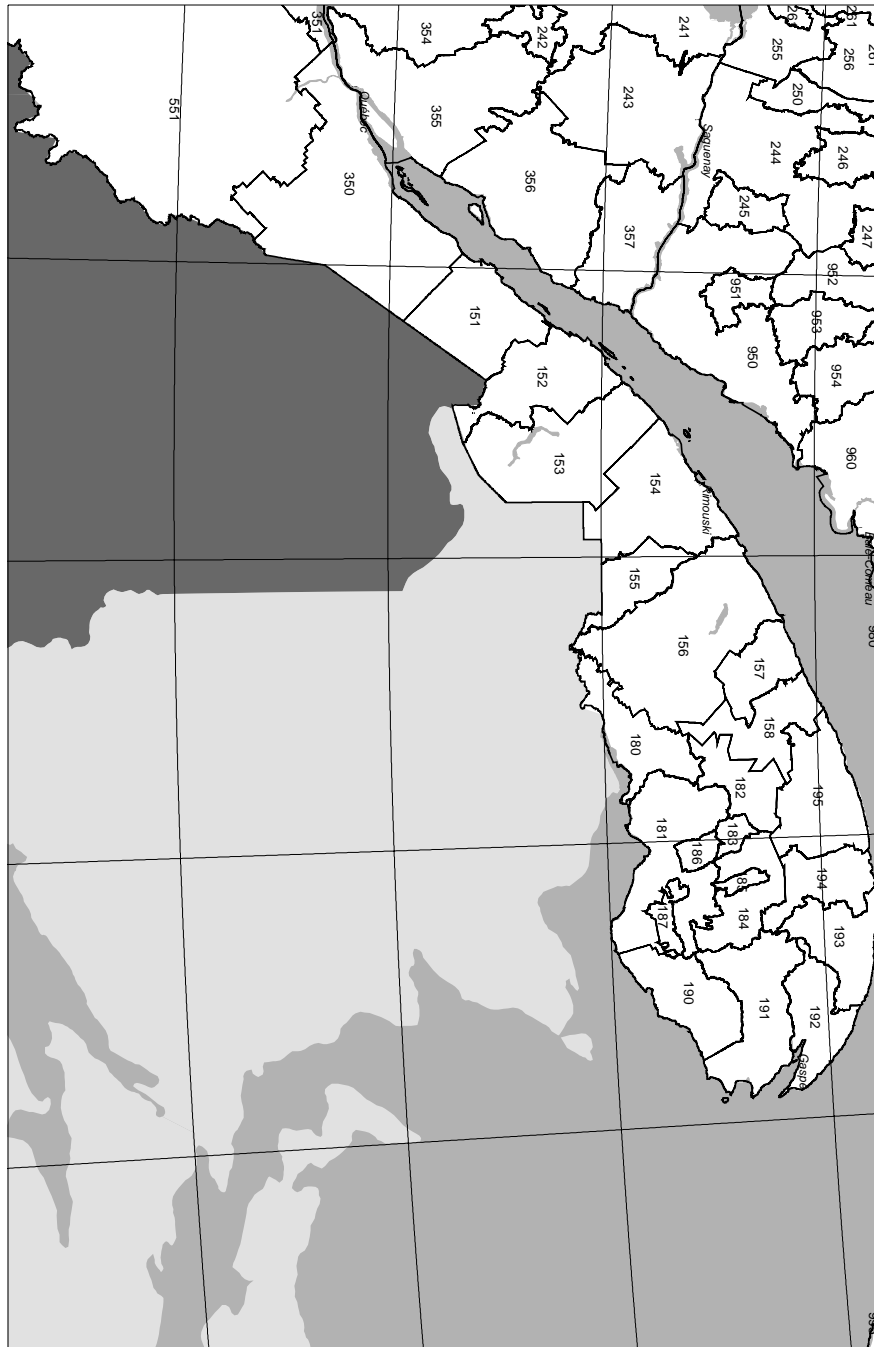
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**FOREST TARIFFING ZONES
(northwest part)**



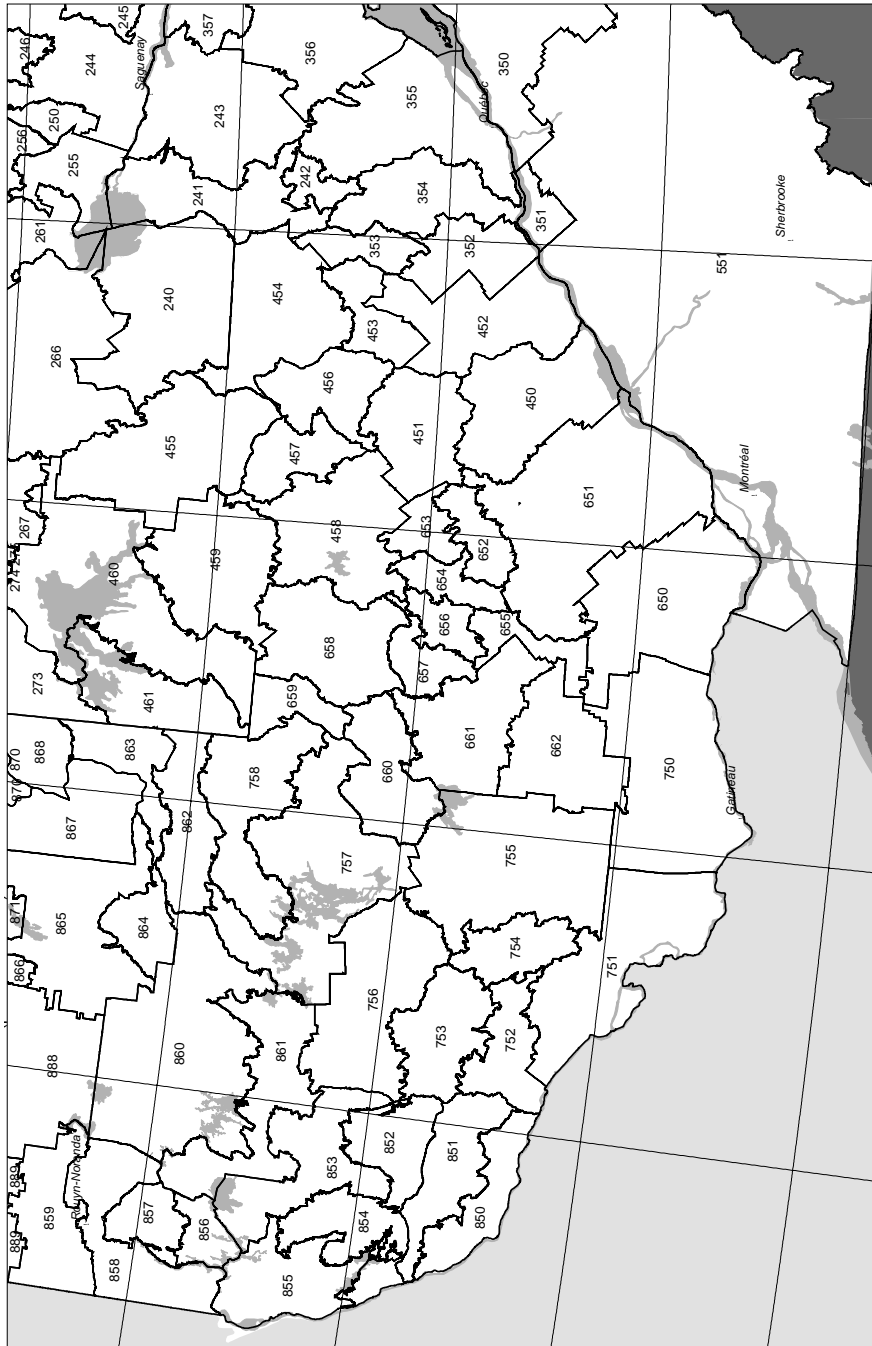
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FOREST TARIFFING ZONES
(southwest part)



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