

NANA REGIONAL CORPORATION LANDS DEPARTMENT POLICIES

## **Timber Policies**

# **Management**

### **Resource Protection**

NANA will work with the Region's other major land owners - KIC, the Park Service, Bureau of Land Management (BLM), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and the State of Alaska - to develop a cooperative timber management plan.

The protection of subsistence resources is of highest priority in all timber management decisions.

NANA will manage its timber resource to provide a sustained flow of firewood and building materials for local use.

NANA will explore the feasibility of initiating a reforestation program.

## Administration

In the villages outside of Kotzebue, NANA may contract with the village IRA Council, if they are willing, to administer its timber management plan. The village will help NANA designate cutting areas and be responsible for issuing permits, collecting fees, and keeping records of timber harvested from NANA lands surrounding their village. In Kotzebue, NANA will negotiate with KIC to perform these functions on its 12(c) selections.

# **Firewood**



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### **Personal Use**

All NANA shareholders may cut firewood for personal use on lands NANA designates, without a permit, at no charge.

Non-shareholders may cut firewood for personal use upon receipt of a permit from the local entity NANA designates.

## **Firewood Cutting Areas**

NANA will, in consultation with each village IRA Council, and KIC for 12(c) selections around Kotzebue, and in accordance with its timber management plan, designate areas around each village as firewood cutting areas and mark trees to be cut.

## **Commercial Use**

A permit will be required to cut firewood that is to be sold.

For non-shareholders, 10 cents per linear foot-about \$25/average cargo sled load administrative fee will be charged for commercial firecutting permits. There will be no charge for shareholders.

A limit may be placed on how much wood a person may commercially cut.

# **House Logs and Lumber**

#### When and Where to Allow Harvests

Timber harvests will be allowed that are consistent with NANA's timber management plan.

NANA will identify areas where timber can be cut in its timber management plan. Prior to timber harvests, trees to be cut will be marked.



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### **Permits**

All persons, including shareholders, wishing to harvest timber from NANA's lands are required to apply for a timber cutting permit.

Permits will include conditions for harvests such as location of harvest, time of harvest, method of harvest, log transportation method and route, reforestation requirements, and shareholder employment conditions for commercial and governmental users.

## **Timber Prices**

Shareholders may cut timber on designated NANA lands for their personal use and for community projects at no charge.

NANA will charge 25 cents per linear foot for timber harvested on NANA lands by non-shareholders, governmental, and commercial users. This price will be reviewed and changed from time to time.