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## APPENDIX B: BLOCK SPECIFIC STOCKING STANDARDS FOR COMMERCIAL THINNING BLOCKS

In regards to timber harvested areas referred to in Section 16(4) and 44(4) of the FPPR, stands eligible for commercial thinning will retain, post treatment, an average coniferous basal area retention greater than or equal to  $20m^2$ /ha and 40% or more of the original treatment areas basal area. Coniferous basal area retained will form an ecologically suitable stand that is adequately stocked and can be declared as such one year after harvest completion.

If the average coniferous basal area retained post treatment is less than 20m²/ha the applicable standard from Appendix A will apply and any coniferous stems retained are considered preferred species for the applicable site series.

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