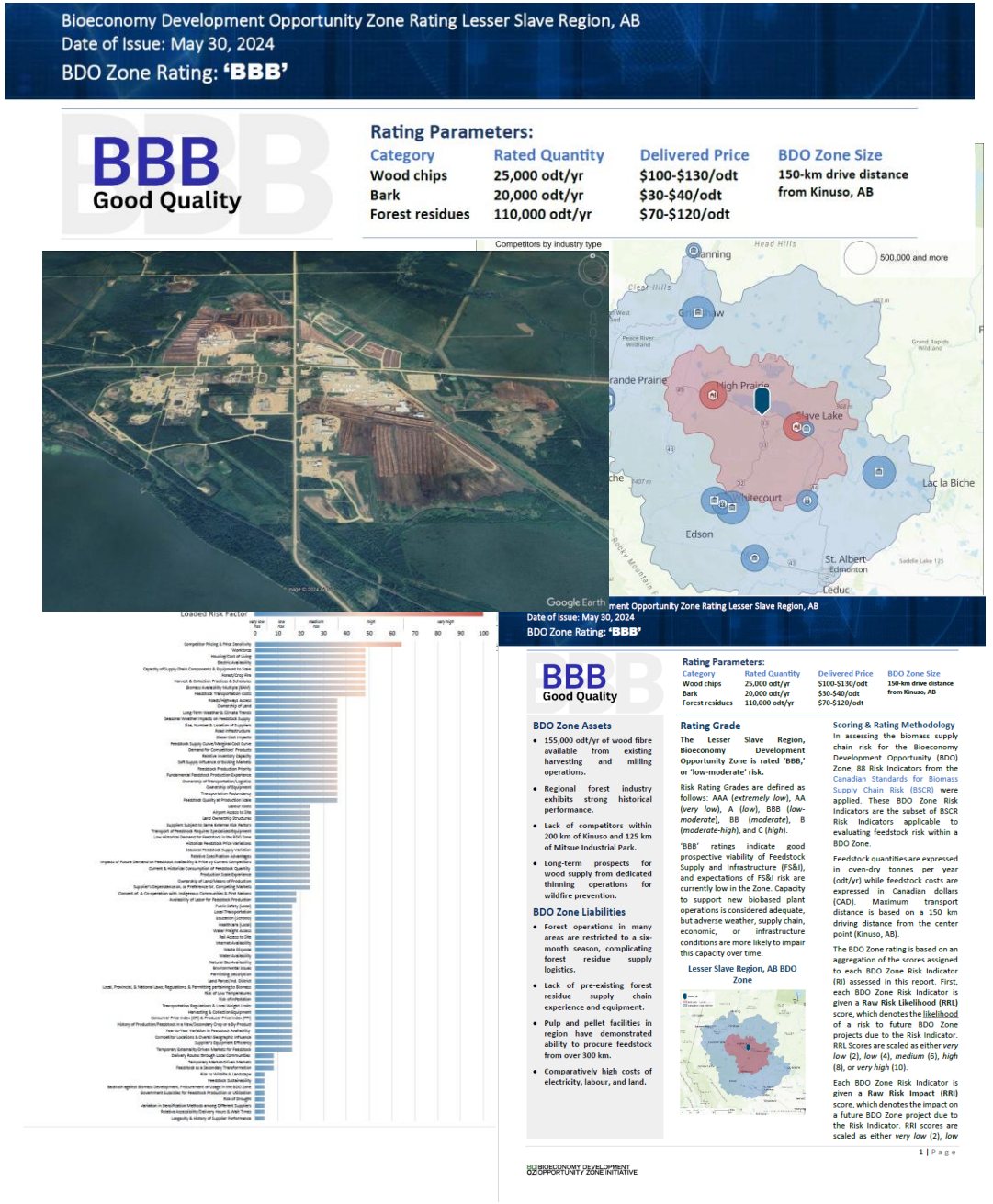
Lesser Slave Region, AB BDO Zone Rating: **‘BBB’**

- ✓ **155,000 odt/yr of wood fibre available from current forest and milling operations**
- ✓ **Strong regional forest industry performance:** Large forestry workforce and steady manufacturing output
- ✓ **Weak competition:** Competitors are located on periphery of BDO Zone
- ✓ **Wildfire mitigation and wood supply:** Wood supply could be increased over the long term through expansion of Alberta’s FireSmart program

View and download the **Lesser Slave Region, AB BDO Zone Rating** here.



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ABOUT FIND ENERGY

FIND Energy is a premier solutions provider and developer of bioenergy projects for the benefit and support of the Indigenous and non-Indigenous marketplace.

Established in 2018 as a majority Indigenous-owned development company, FIND Energy's approach involves meticulous technology evaluation ensuring each bioenergy project is tailored to the diverse community needs. Our ultimate aim is to transform each facility into an Indigenous-based Employment Hub, fostering economic growth and empowerment.

FIND ENERGY TEAM



DON HARFIELD, P. ENG
C.E.O / C.T.O

Don is a professional engineer & project manager with over 40 years of experience in waste management, oil & gas production, and the pulp & paper industry. He was the technical lead for the Alberta Biochar Initiative. He applies his comprehensive knowledge to FIND Energy's projects and development.



ALBERT KLYNE
C.O.O

Albert is a Métis born and raised in Northern Alberta. He is the founder of FIND Energy and FIND Group of Companies. Albert has 50 years of experience in oil and gas, waste-to-energy, and recycling. As a pioneer in the recycling industry, his expertise and entrepreneurism are paramount to FIND Energy.



RICHARD SETO
C.F.O

Richard is a native Calgarian with a Bachelor of Commerce from the University of Calgary and a CMA, CPA designation. He has spent much of his career in oil services, green industries, life sciences, and mineral exploration, managing companies in both the private and public sectors, both in Canada and internationally.



MELISSA MINKS
PRESIDENT

Melissa is a Swan River First Nation band member. She has dedicated her career to waste diversion and recycling. She co-founded the FIND Group of Companies and established FIND Biomass - Swan River Hybrid Poplar Propagation Facility for afforestation and biomass supply. Melissa continues to drive sustainable infrastructure through FIND Energy.

Swan River Bioenergy Facility



FIND Energy and Swan River First Nation are collaborating on a flagship bio-energy project located within the Lesser Slave Region BDO Zone utilizing forestry wood waste.

- The Bio-Energy facility will provide affordable heat and energy to the community and to the Alberta grid,
- This project will yield impactful environmental benefits,
- Increase opportunities for training and education in STEM and other fields,
- Increase diversity and inclusion in the under-represented forestry industry in Canada,
- The project will increase employment and direct economic benefits and aims to revitalize the community and reverse the population decline by attracting people to stay or return through employment opportunities.

PROJECT RISK REDUCTION
PHASED APPROACH

Prior to the Front End Engineering Design & Construction, FIND Energy established a phased approach to the development of the Bio-Energy Facility to reduce risk and maximize the sustainably and profit of the project. The BDO Rating was one of many studies FIND will complete to reduce the risk of investment in the project.

Development Phase

- Rigorous technology selection, minimum technology readiness level of 9
- Community consultation and open houses to align with the community & First Nation's objectives.
- Establish a project steering committee
- Negotiation with vendors and contractors

Feasibility Studies

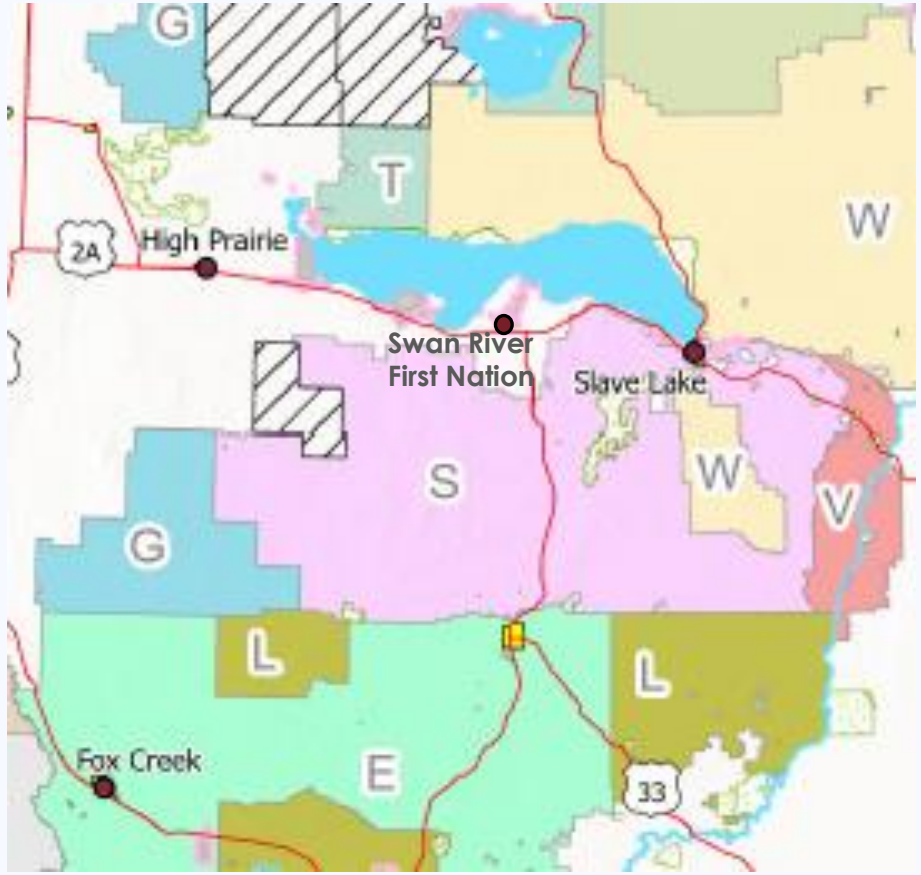
- BDO Zone Rating
- Biochar Marketing Study
- Feedstock Testing
- GHG Qualification and Monitoring
- Permits and Applications
- Sales and Marketing

BENEFITS OF THE BDO ZONE RATING

- The Lesser Slave Region BDO Zone is the first Indigenous-based rating in North America.
- The BDO Zone Rating will help promote our project and the benefits that a bio-energy facility will bring to the area.



FORESTRY HISTORY IN THE AREA



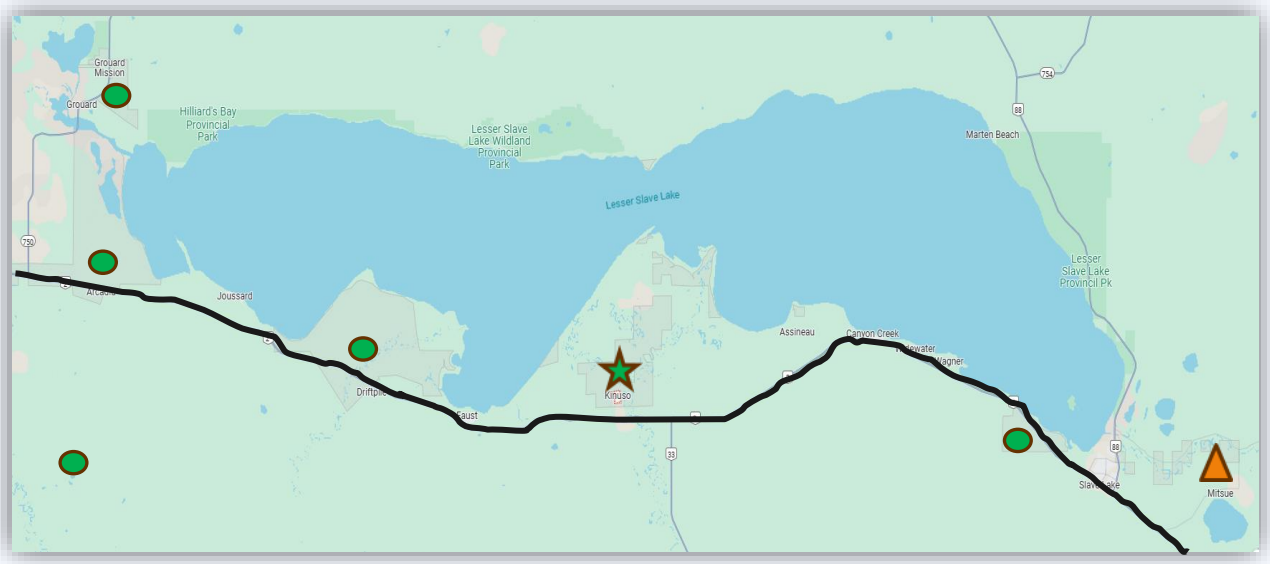
Forestry Management Agreement (FMA) Boundaries

- L Blue Ridge Lumber Inc.
- G West Fraser Mills Ltd. and Tolko Industries Ltd.
- L Canfor (Whitecourt) Forest Products Ltd.
- S Millar Western Forest Products Ltd.
- T Tolko Industries Ltd. (High Prairie)
- Metis Settlement
- Indian Reserves
- W Tolko Industries Ltd., Vanderwell Contractors (1971) Ltd. and West Fraser Mills Ltd. (Slave Lake)
- V Vanderwell Contractors (1971) Ltd.

- Forestry activities have a long-standing presence in the Lesser Slave BDO zone.
- Ample experience in logging and forest management exists in the area.
- Many forestry and industrial service companies in the area have expressed their support for a local indigenous-led biomass facility.

REGIONAL INCENTIVES

- A bio-energy facility in the area will increase employment and economic benefits to all five First Nations along the lakeshore and Metis Settlements in the BDO Zone.
- Hwy 2 serves as a key arterial route for transporting goods and materials and access to top piles and wood wastes.
- Mitsue Industrial Park is located 15km east of Slave Lake. It is home to 3 major timber mills, several oil and gas service providers, and a large calcium chloride producer. The Park has expansion plans for 2025 and has considerable vacant land available.
- Multiple suitable site options are available along Highway 2 (First Nation lands, Mitsue Park, Metis Settlement Land, and private lands)



- Swan River First Nation / Kinuso Ab
- Mitsue Industrial Park
- Hwy 2
- Other First Nations and Métis Settlements

CANADA GRANTS AND INCENTIVES

Canada's 2030 Emissions Reduction Plan is to reach its emissions reduction target of 40% below 2005 levels by 2030 and net-zero emissions by 2050. The plan outlines a sector-by-sector path to reach this goal. Relevant sectors to our project include Electricity, Transportation, Nature-based solutions, Waste, Oil and Gas, Heavy Industry, and Agriculture. The federal government has established grants and funding programs to support emissions reduction.

Clean Fuels Fund

Has invested $1.5 billion over five years to establish the Clean Fuels Fund to de-risk the capital investment required to build new or expand clean fuel production facilities. This program has been extended to March 31, 2030. $50 million per project has been set aside for Indigenous Led projects for 75% of the project funding. FIND has received funding from Clean Fuels Fund to support the establishment of the Lesser Slave Region BDO Zone rating. https://natural-resources.canada.ca/our-natural-resources/energy-sources-distribution/clean-fuels/clean-fuels-fund/23734

Indigenous Forestry Initiative

The objective of the Indigenous Forestry Initiative is to advance reconciliation in the forest sector by supporting Indigenous awareness, influence, inclusion, and leadership. FIND Energy prioritizes Indigenous, training, employment, and engagement. The sourcing of biomass from waste forestry operations will increase the involvement of the First Nation bands and communities along the lake shore and the lesser slave region. FIND Energy is receiving funding support from this program to complete the development phase of a biomass-to-energy facility in the region. https://natural-resources.canada.ca/science-and-data/funding-partnerships/opportunities/forest-sector/indigenous-forestry-initiative/13125

Carbon Offset Credits

Biomass projects in Canada that reduce the use of carbon fuels and harmful emissions are eligible for Renewable Energy and Carbon offsets.

ALBERTA GRANTS AND INCENTIVES

Emissions Reduction Alberta

ERA is funding a wide range of innovative, sustainable technologies aimed at cutting GHG emissions and preparing Alberta for success in a low-emissions future. ERA has two funding streams Technology Funding and Energy Efficiency Programs. https://www.eralberta.ca/apply-for-funding/

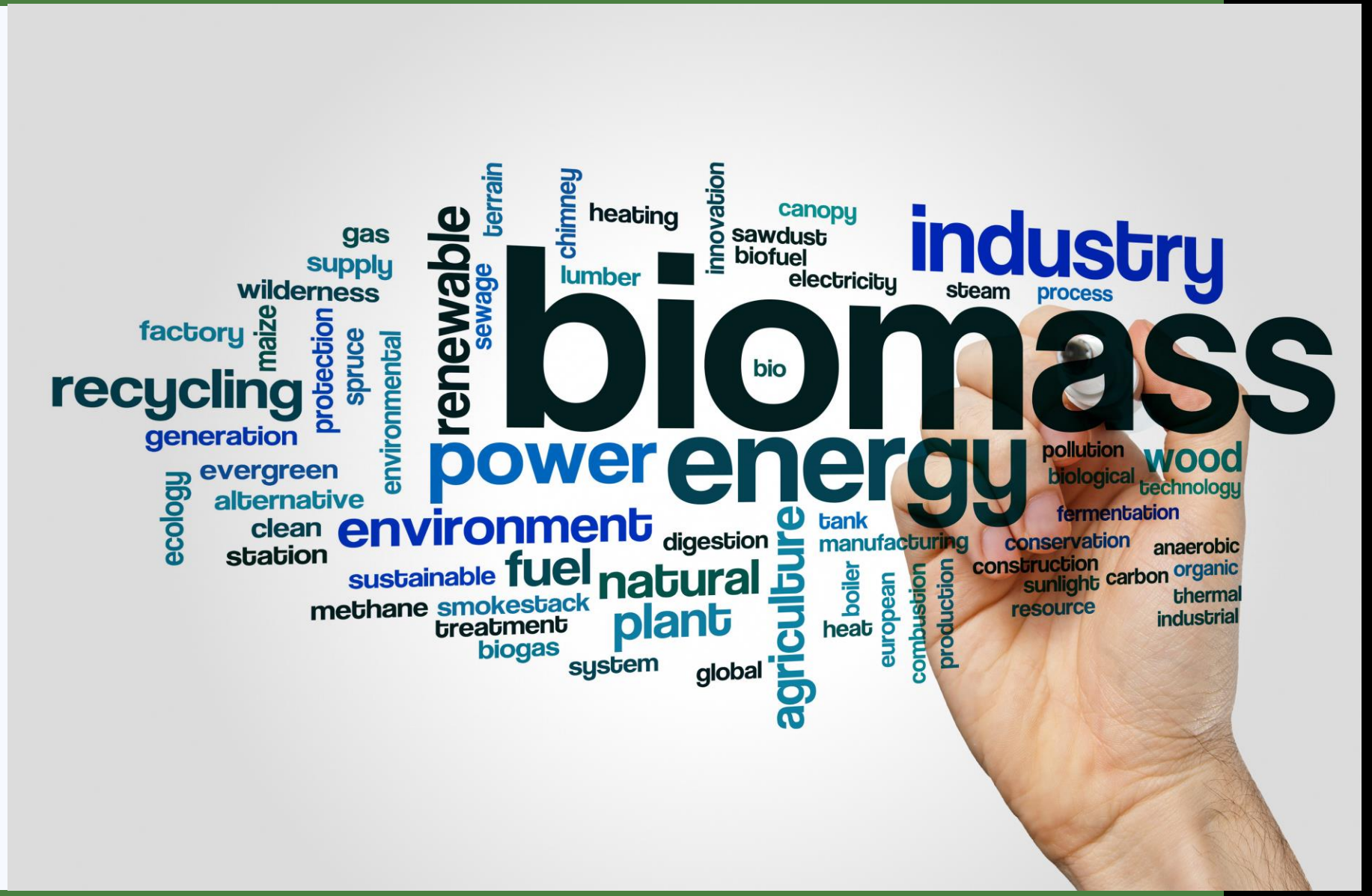
Alberta Innovates

Alberta Innovates offers various grant funding programs aimed at different sectors and stages of development. Specifically, support projects that contribute to the growth and diversification of Alberta's economy. https://albertainnovates.ca/funding/

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Questions?

Hiy Hiy (Thank you)



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