

Global Partnership for Business and Biodiversity

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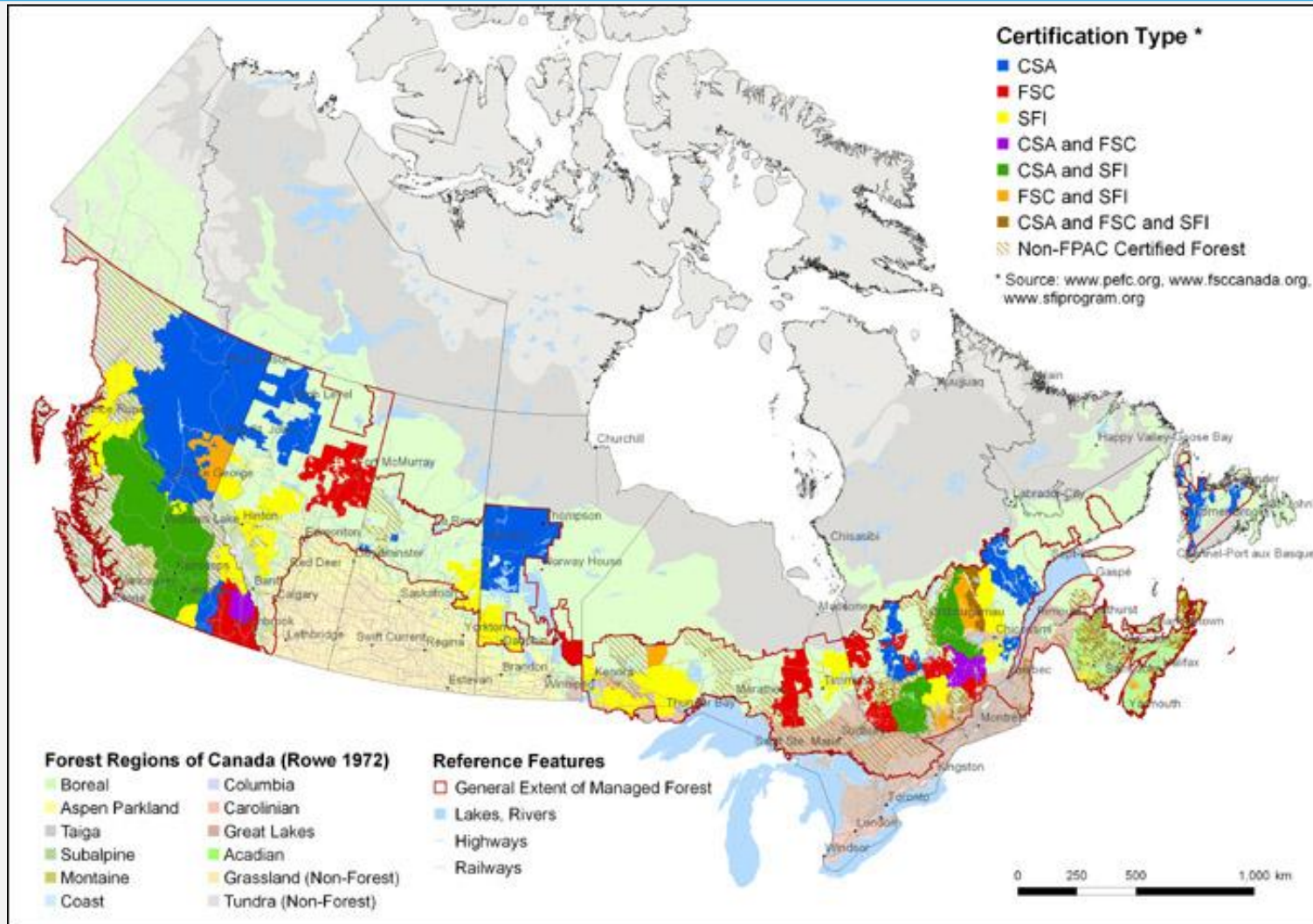
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Forest Sector Footprint

- Industrial Facilities
 - Located Canada-wide, often in the north, resource-dependent communities
 - Pulp and paper facilities
 - Lumber/panel facilities
 - Engineered wood, pellets
 - Co-products for the bio-economy
- Forests
 - Tenures on public land/ Crown licenses, traditional lands of aboriginal people
 - Very large - hundreds of thousands to millions of hectares in size)
 - Private land significant in some regions



Forest Tenure in Canada



Incorporating Biodiversity into Forest Sector Decision-making

- Wood Fibre Sourcing
 - Legality assurance
 - Chain of custody/traceability
- Forest management
 - Regulatory regime (provincial and /federal levels)
 - Forest certification
 - Most certified forest in the world
- Environmental partnerships
 - Canadian Boreal Forest Agreement
 - Carbon neutral commitment



Biodiversity in the Forest Sector: Needs

- Forest Sector is familiar with biodiversity conservation
- Move towards implementation of ecosystem-based approach to forest management
- Partnerships are key for a shared resource
 - Government (federal and provincial policy, planning and research)
 - Environmental Organizations (expertise, communication and credibility)
 - Aboriginal organizations (traditional knowledge and implementation)



Strengths and Weaknesses

- Of current legislation & corporate practices
- Given complexity of forest conservation and land management there is a need for :
 - Models to bring different land users/sectors to the table together
 - New resources to address key gaps in science and to support sustained inclusion of aboriginal people in biodiversity planning and implementation
 - Flexibility in regulatory processes to review externally developed biodiversity strategies (ie endangered species, protected areas)