

## APPENDIX 1

### Conceptual framework and uncertainty analysis for large-scale, species-agnostic modelling of landscape connectivity across Alberta, Canada

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**Appendix 1** List of human footprint (HF) categories considered in the study, listed following the levels of classification proposed by the Conservation Measures Partnership framework<sup>84</sup>. For each HF is given its degree of footprint ( $H_F$ ) and intensity of human use ( $H_U$ ) values.

Distinction was made between the forest- (FD) and agriculture-dominated (AD) areas for Alberta's HF only.

Human modification activities framework			FD area		AD area		
Level 1	Level 2	HF category	$H_F$	$H_U$	$H_F$	$H_U$	
<b>Alberta</b>							
<b>Residential and commercial development</b>	Housing and urban areas	Clearing (residence)	0.75	1	0.75	1	
		Rural residence	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	
		Country residence	0.5	0.65	0.5	0.65	
		Urban residence	1	1	1	1	
	Commercial and industrial areas	Clearing (unknown)	0.6	0	0.5	0	
		Clearing (well pad)	0.6	0.2	0.5	0.2	
		Industrial facility	1	1	1	1	
		Tourism and recreation areas	Green space	0.25	0.5	0.25	0.5
			Runway	0.5	0.3	0.5	0.3
	Surrounding vegetation		0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	
	Agriculture and aquaculture	Annual and perennial non-timber crops Livestock farming and ranching	Recreation	0.25	0.25	0.35	0.25
			Campground	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
			Golf course	0.6	0.5	0.65	0.5
Crop			0.75	0.25	0.85	0.25	
CFO			1	1	1	1	
		Rough pasture	0.25	0.25	0.35	0.25	

<b>Energy production and mining</b>	Oil and gas drilling	Tame pasture	0.6	0.25	0.7	0.25	
		Oil sand mine	1	1	1	1	
		Gas well	0.9	0.25	0.8	0.25	
		Oil well	0.4	0.25	0.8	0.25	
	Mining and quarrying	Gravel/sand/coal mine (> 15 years)	Gravel/sand/coal mine (> 15 years)	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
			Gravel/sand/coal mine (15-10 years)	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8
			Gravel/sand/coal mine (< 10 years)	1	1	1	1
		Pit lake	1	0.1	1	0.1	
		Peat	0.8	1	0.8	1	
		Mine (RIS)	1	1	1	1	
		Well (RIS)	1	1	1	1	
		Well active	0.4	0.25	0.8	0.25	
		Well abandoned	0.1	0	0.2	0	
		Renewable energy	Windmill	1	0.1	1	0.1
<b>Transportation and service corridors</b>	Roads and railroads	Gravel road	0.8	0.75	0.8	0.75	
		Unpaved road	0.7	0.3	0.7	0.3	
		Winter access road	0.4	0.2	0.4	0.2	
		Trail	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	
		Paved road	1	1	1	1	
		Unimproved road	0.4	0.25	0.5	0.3	
		Abandoned railway	0.6	0	0.6	0	
		Single track railway	0.9	0.25	0.9	0.25	
		Double track railway	0.9	0.4	0.9	0.4	
		Multiple railway and spur	0.9	0.6	0.9	0.6	
Utility and service lines	Transmission line (RIS)	1	1	1	1		

		Transmission line	0.3	0.25	0.6	0.1
		Pipeline	0.65	0.65	0.65	0.65
		Pipeline (RIS)	1	1	1	1
		Low-impact seismic line	0	0.1	0.1	0
		Pre-low-impact seismic line	0	0.1	0.6	0.1
		Seismic line trail	0.1	0.1	0.25	0.2
	Logging and wood harvesting	Cut block (> 15 years)	0	0	0	0
		Cut block (15-4 years)	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.5
		Cut block (< 4 years)	1	0.7	1	0.7
	Dams and water management/use	Reservoir	1	0.25	1	0.25
		Canal	1	0.1	1	0.15
	Other ecosystem modifications	Borrow pit dry	0.8	0.1	0.8	0.1
		Borrow pit wet	1	0.1	1	0.1
		Dugout	1	0.25	1	0.25
		Borrow pit (RIS)	1	1	1	1
		Railway/road verge	0.5	0.1	0.5	0.1
		Disturbed vegetation	0.7	0.5	0.7	0.5
		Windrow (RIS)	1	1	1	1
<b>Pollution</b>	Household sewage and urban waste water	Lagoon	1	0.15	1	0.15
	Industrial and military effluents	Sump	1	0.2	1	0.2
		Tailing pond	1	0.5	1	0.5
		Tailing pond (RIS)	1	1	1	1
	Garbage and solid waste	Landfill	1	1	1	1
		Transfer station	1	0.45	1	0.45
		Mine wastes	1	1	1	1
<b>Canada outside of Alberta</b>						
<b>Transportation and service</b>	Roads and railroads	Gravel road	0.8	0.75	-	-
		Unpaved road	0.7	0.3	-	-

<b>corridors</b>		Winter access road	0.4	0.2	-	-
		Paved road	1	1	-	-
		Railway	0.9	0.5	-	-
<b>Agriculture and aquaculture</b>	Annual and perennial non-timber crops	Crop	0.75	0.25	-	-
	Livestock farming and ranching	Tame pasture	0.6	0.25	-	-
<b>Other</b>	Mixed use development	Settlement	0.75	0.8	-	-
<b>USA</b>						
<b>Transportation and service corridors</b>	Roads and railroads	Gravel road	0.8	0.75	-	-
		Paved road	1	1	-	-
		Railway	0.9	0.5	-	-
<b>Agriculture and aquaculture</b>	Annual and perennial non-timber crops	Crop	0.5	0.4	-	-
	Livestock farming and ranching	Rough pasture	1	1	-	-
		Tame pasture	0.5	0.65	-	-
<b>Other</b>	Mixed use development	Disturbed vegetation	0.5	0.5	-	-
		Development high intensity	0.75	0.25	-	-
		Development medium intensity	0.25	0.25	-	-
		Development low intensity	0.6	0.25	-	-

RIS: Reclamation Information System data obtained from the Government of Alberta, Alberta Environment and Parks. These land uses are found in the oil-sand region surrounding Fort McMurray and considered as more intensive than similar land uses elsewhere in Alberta.