



Fort St. James
Sustainable Forest
Management

Public Advisory Group

Minutes from the April 9th Fort St. James Sustainable Forest Management Public Advisory Group (PAG)

Location: Fort St. James Senior's Centre

<p>In Attendance:</p> <p>Barb Rooke Beulah Broen Larry Erickson Sue Grainger Henner Grimm Orville Koette Joe Vogl Paul Swartz</p> <p>Absent:</p> <p>Bryan Muloin Randy Sulyma Joanne Vinnedge Ron Timothy Bob Frederick</p>	<p>FSJ Licensee Representatives:</p> <p>Darwyn Koch-Apollo Paul Blomberg - BCTS Christy Hoy-SLL Kevin Bedford-Carrier Phil Smith - Canfor</p>
<p><u>Facilitator:</u> Brian Robinson, RPF, Industrial Forestry Service Ltd. <u>Scribe:</u> Anthony Giannotti, RPF, Industrial Forestry Service Ltd.</p>	<p>Guests</p>

Meeting Called to Order at 9:00am Saturday, April 9th 2005

Agenda:

- Presentation from Darwyn
- Complete Forest Ecosystem Contributions to Global Ecological Cycles matrix
- Finish Conservation of Water Resources

Meeting Notes:

Criterion 4 Forest Ecosystem Contributions to Ecological Cycles:

4.1/4.2 Discussion:

- Beulah- notes that small shrubs should be considered important for early carbon uptake. There should be an indicator around maintaining small shrubs?
- Maintain clumpy planting
- Larry – maintain all ecosystems (bogs etc.) across the landscape? Indicator?
- Concerns/discussion over the small NP/NCBr patches and how they are handled silviculturally. Licensees discussed how these are handled.

4.1.1

- Larry – bare soil planted or seeded with native species
- (notes 4.1.2) voted on as a group where they were voted on in other sections (add recruitment to soils matrix! CWD retention and recruitment based on site-!

4.1.3

- Questions over the variation in the number of blocks meeting FG each year. PAG would like to know how many blocks come back as approved by the MOF as FG.

(notes 4.2.1)

- Beulah – wants Permanent Access Structures to be seeded

4.2.3

- Larry- forestry controls the land base and does not give to agriculture, looks like a land grab.

4.2.4

- Non-treed? NP, NCBr, non-productive Sb, brush types >x ha, upland woody brush. Licensees to define others (mappable is defined as what can be mapped from an air photo.
- Paul – not sure how these relate to the global ecological cycle. This is a big picture theme. Darwyn agrees these indicators are not suited to this criterion.
- Beulah - this is meant to reflect short term carbon cycling.
- Copy this to the biodiversity matrix.

Criterion 3: Conservation of Soil and Water:

- 3.2.1 PAG recognizes that the effects of mountain pine beetle may cause a watershed to experience a baseline that is in excess of an acceptable range.
 - Licensees to determine baselines
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End of Meeting Discussion:

- Paul – Are the licensees willing to contribute funding to support independent research for matrix indicators and targets? Report back to PAG.
- PAG should administer this money/process. (This is not part of the Terms of Reference).
- Long term holes in the matrix that need to be filled in PAG vote on this: 7/0/0

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ITEM NUMBER	ACTION ITEM	WHO	WHEN	STATUS (Achieved, Late, Pending)
1	Initial version of DFA from FSJ licensee steering committee	DK	Dec. 4	Achieved
2	PAG to list their interests and have interests incorporated into the TOR	BR, AG	Dec. 4	Achieved
3	AG to call FN to see if anyone is interested in participating in one PAG meeting to see what it's all about.	AG	Before Dec.4th	Achieved
4	Approve TOR from Nov.6 meeting.	PAG/Licen see	Dec 4	Achieved
5	Licensees to complete matrix from Dec4th meeting and finish biodiversity.	Licensees (DK)	Jan 8	Achieved Jan. 26
6	Send background information to new PAG members	BR	Dec 10	Achieved
7	Send PAG, licensee and observer contact list, with interests, to PAG members	BR	Dec 10	Achieved
8	Contact PAG members who have not attended first two meetings and ask if they want to remain in PAG	BR	Dec. 10	Achieved
9	Send agenda for Jan. 8 PAG meeting, approved TOR and Dec. 4	BR	Dec. 10	Achieved
10	Send glossary of forestry terms and acronyms to PAG members	BR	Dec. 10	Achieved at Jan. 29 meeting

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11	Send info from Jan 8 PAG meeting and agenda for Jan. 29 PAG meeting	BR	Jan. 14	Achieved
12	Complete biodiversity matrix information	Licensees	Jan 29	Achieved
13	Minimum old growth requirements in PG TSA: look into it to see why they use the minimum instead of the average.	Licensees	Feb. 18	Achieved
14	Bring local NDU, BEC, satellite image and Landscape Unit maps to next meeting	Licensees	Feb. 19	Partially Achieved at meeting
15	Arrange for Guest speakers (MSRM, NDU specialist)	Licensees	Feb. 19	Achieved
16	Licensees to provide info on the local use of herbicides (ha treated)	Licensees	Feb. 19	Achieved
17	Licensees to provide ideas about connectivity on large blocks and how this would look on the ground	Licensees	Feb. 19	Achieved
18	Develop best management practices for brushing, which achieve free growing requirements and preserve native plant species.	Licensees	May?	Pending
19	Develop more comprehensive strategy for retention of Douglas-fir and advanced regeneration on cut blocks	Licensees	May?	Pending
20	Update TOR, Section 8a: Add the following sentence. A PAG member abstaining from voting on an issue is deemed not to be in substantial disagreement and to indicate a	Facilitator	Feb. 21	Achieved



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	willingness to proceed to the next step			
21	Provide UWR condition requirements to PAG for their information	Licensees	March 19	Achieved
22	Provide definition of regionally important wildlife to PAG	Licensees	When available	Pending
23	Provide wildlife habitat features information to PAG	Licensees	When available	Pending
24	Determine a target and variance for the indicator: “the number of individuals satisfied with the communication process” in MBTS matrix	Licensees	May?	Pending
25	Determine the % of operational forestry contract value within the DFA serviced by north central BC to see if it agrees with the MBTS target of 90%; Define north central BC	Licensees	May?	Pending
26	Determine percentage of advertised employment opportunities target and variance in MBTS matrix.	Licensees	May?	Pending
27	Develop proposed matrix information for Criterion # 6 and #2	Licensees	March 19	Achieved
28	Develop target and variance for “Percent of individuals satisfied with the communication process”, element 6.1	Licensees	May	Pending
29	Determine variance for note 2.7 (% compliance to archaeological and cultural prescriptions)	Licensees	? May	Pending



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30	(2.9) Determine type of resources to help First Nations develop forest values list (report to PAG)	Licensees	? May	Pending
31	Provide a completed draft matrix to PAG	Licensees and BR	April 13, 2005	Achieved
32	Arrange for Kerry Deschamps to attend the April 30, 2005 PAG meeting to carry out a PAG scenario exercise	DK	April 13, 2005	Pending

