

Prince George SFMP PAG Meeting

5:30 – 9:00 PM, March 1, 2007

Civic Centre (Room 205-6), Prince George, BC

MINUTES

In Attendance:

Public & First Nations:

Betty Abbs
Pirie Elliot
Jo Graber

Virginia Karr
Dave King
Sandra Kinsey
Anne Migvar

Esther Perry
Lee Sexsmith

Steering Committee:

Chair: Shane Neukomm - Carrier
David Jewesson - Winton Global
Kerry Deschamps – Canfor
Cecil Gray – Lakeland
Tim Sproule - BCTS

Advisors & Observers:

Justin Calof - CIF
Diana Croes – Dome Creek
Howie Harshaw – UBC
Marty Hiemstra - Canfor

Kathy Juncker – Dome Creek
Kim Menounos – City of PG
Hugh Perkins – Dome Creek
Rhonda Thibeault – ILMB

Facilitator: Roxanne Yanishewski (Roxanne Yanishewski & Associates)

Scribe: Gretchen Prystawik (Roxanne Yanishewski & Associates)

1. Welcome & Introductions

- a. Welcome by chair of steering committee.
- b. Reviewed evaluation results for January 18, 2007 PAG meeting. Chair of steering committee noted that there was one evaluation that expressed concerns around the PAG process and the comments are available on the chart for everyone to review. Roxanne reminded PAG members that any concerns related to the PAG process can be directed to the facilitator.

2. Reviewed Agenda – Agenda accepted with addition of “Access Sub-Committee” after supper and additions under “Other” of peak flow index calculations and education.

3. Reviewed Minutes – PAG adopted January 18, 2007 PAG minutes as written with one correction: Dates for deadlines in Action Table from the January 18, 2007 meeting to be changed from “2006” to “2007.”

4. Access Sub-Committee (assessment of issues and prioritization) – Tim Sproule
 - a. “Prince George SFMP – Access Management Subcommittee Access Issues or Concerns PAG Ranking Survey” provided to PAG representatives and alternates.
 - b. PG PAG ranked concerns by priority.

5. UBC SFM Survey Results – Howard Harshaw
 - a. See attached presentation.
 - b. Full data and future publications available at www.sfm-pos.ca
 - c. Comments:
 - i. Methodology for collecting data and reporting out data can impact on the results and their interpretation.
 - ii. Clarity of questions will also impact the data, results, and interpretation.
 - iii. Results will be compared between public and forest managers.

6. SFM Awareness & Communication Project Update – Gretchen Prystawik
 - a. See attached presentation.
 - b. PAG members invited to provide additional suggestions for SFM awareness and communication with the public and various stakeholders.
 - c. PAG members surveyed to determine preferred communication and awareness methods within their sectors and communities.

7. Access Sub-Committee Results – Kerry Deschamps
 - a. Reported results back to PAG. See attachment of ranked access issues and concerns.
 - b. Any additional concerns that were not on the survey can be forwarded to the facilitator.
 - c. Next steps include Steering Committee to see what can be done about high priority access issues.

8. Updated Actions (see Action Table).

9. Other

- a. Review peak flow index indicator – Shane Neukomm:
 - i. Calculations in progress with watershed delineation and corrections about 90% completed.
 - ii. Report to be provided at next PAG meeting.
- b. Education – Pirie Elliot:
 - i. Future shortages of qualified staff for planning and implementing SFM.
 - ii. Low enrollment at and closure of forestry schools in BC.
 - iii. Lack of future foresters should be a concern for licensees and government.
 - iv. Consensus of PAG representatives to add the following action to the Continuous Improvement Matrix (see Action Items): “Explore opportunities for developing strategies/ indicators regarding levels of skilled human resources required to maintain and manage forest resources for SFM.”

10. Evaluation forms completed.

11. Next PAG meeting:

- a. Agenda: Old Forest Subcommittee
- b. Time: 5:30 to 9:00 PM
- c. Date: March 29, 2007
- d. Location: Room 205-205, Prince George Civic Centre

Actions

ID#	ACTION	WHO	DEADLINE	STATUS
Nov 2 - 03	Provide updates on attempts to recruit representation for Non-Renewable Resource Extraction.	Steering Committee	Dec 2006	In progress: positive responses received from Enbridge, PMG, and BC Hydro.
Jan 18 - 01	Send invitation to PAG for Access Management Subcommittee Meeting.	Dwight Scott Wolfe	Jan 2007	Completed
Jan 18 - 02	Update www.sfmptgsa.com with size of files and facilitator's name.	Kerry Deschamps	Jan 2007	In progress
Jan 18 - 03	Provide PAG with new PAG email address for	Dwight Scott	Jan 2007	Completed: PGPAG@tesera.com

	correspondence.	Wolfe		
Jan 18 - 04	Update Terms of Reference with formal details around Sub Committees.	Steering Committee	Dec 2007	
Mar 1 - 01	Update January 18, 2007 Minutes – Action Item dates (from 2006 to 2007).	Dwight Scott Wolfe	May 2007	
Mar 1 - 02	Review peak flow index calculations at next PAG meeting.	Steering Committee	May 2007	
Mar 1 - 03	Add following to Continuous Improvement Matrix: “Explore opportunities for developing strategies/ indicators regarding levels of skilled human resources required to maintain and manage forest resources for SFM.”	Dwight Scott Wolfe	May 2007	