

Prince George SFMP Public Advisory Group

5:30 – 9:00 PM, March 31, 2005

Civic Centre (Room 208), Prince George, BC

MINUTES

In Attendance:

PAG Representatives & Alternates, and First Nations:

Betty Abbs
Jocelyn Campbell
Joseph Gagne
Yvonne Gaumont

Jo Graber
Kate Harvey
Norm Holt
Virginia Karr
Anne Migvar
Mike Morris
Del Myers

Esther Perry
Ken Pickering
Earl Pickett
Jonathan Prince
Jim Reid
Dave Stevenson
Karl Tress

Observers:

Victor Bopp
Alice Goddard

Gord Haines
Len Shankel
Marc Steynen

Licensee Steering Committee:

Chair: David Jewesson - Winton Global
Kerry Deschamps - Canfor
Cecil Gray – Lakeland Mills
Shane Neukomm – Carrier Lumber
Steve Webb - BCTS

Advisors:

Shannon Carson - MSRM

Facilitator: Roxanne Yanishewski (Roxanne Yanishewski & Associates)

Scribe: Chris Bailey (Roxanne Yanishewski & Associates)

1. Welcome & Introductions

- a. Welcome by chair of Licensee Steering Committee.
- b. Licensees and new PAG representatives introduced.
- c. Reviewed PAG March 12th, 2005 meeting evaluation results.

2. Reviewed Agenda

- a. Agenda accepted.

3. Reviewed Minutes

- a. PAG adopted March 12th minutes as written with the following changes:
 - i. Add Victor Bopp to the attendance list.
- b. Add the following to the comment section to the Performance Matrix 1.4.A.a.i:
“Forest Service definition of a protected area does not include Ungulate Winter Range (UWR) but the CSA definition does include UWR.”

4. Update Actions

- a. See updated Action Table.
- b. Mar 5- 07: Kerry Deschamps contacted the tree improvement experts at Forest Practices Branch to find out what information was available for maintaining diversity through different seed zones. There is currently not any climate change information available related to seed zones.

Additional information can be obtained from the following website which also includes a question and answer section:

<http://www.for.gov.bc.ca/code/cfstandards/>

- c. Mar 5- 08: Kerry Deschamps contacted Barry Dobbin (Assistant Bark Beetle Coordinator for the Province of BC) and Robert Hodgkinson (Northern Interior Forest Region Entomologist) to find out if there is any information or research that has been or is being conducted regarding Mountain Pine Beetle resistant trees. They have found no Mountain Pine Beetle resistant pine trees, that is, all pine trees eventually succumb to a severe infestation of Mountain Pine Beetle.

5. Presentations

- a. Kerry Deschamps gave a brief presentation on Community Stability and Sustainability (Element 5.2) and Fair Distribution of Benefits and Costs (Element 5.3).
- b. Kerry Deschamps gave a brief presentation on Forest Ecosystems Contributions to Global Ecological Cycles (Criterion 4.0).

6. Draft Performance Matrix – *Forest Ecosystems Contributions to Global Ecological Cycles* (Element 4.1 - Carbon Uptake and Storage).

- a. Review of *Forest Ecosystems Contributions to Global Ecological Cycles* (Element 4.1 - Carbon Uptake and Storage).

- b. Discussion on *Forest Ecosystems Contributions to Global Ecological Cycles* (Element 4.1 - Carbon Uptake and Storage) values, indicators, targets, variances, and comments.
- c. Consensus of PAG Representatives on *Forest Ecosystems Contributions to Global Ecological Cycles* (Element 4.1 - Carbon Uptake and Storage) values, indicators, targets, variances, and comments:
 - i. Value 4.1.A accepted: "Uptake and storage of carbon in forest ecosystems."
 - ii. Objective 4.1.A.a accepted: "Facilitate carbon uptake and storage within harvested areas."
 - iii. Indicator 4.1.A.a.i and its target, variance, and comments accepted: "Percent of the net area regenerated within three years after the completion of harvesting; Target: 100%; Variance: -10%; Comments: Will not include any Bark Beetle Regulation (BBR) blocks. PAG is concerned about Small Scale Salvage harvest impacts on reforestation."

PAG representatives agreed to not include the following comment suggested by a PAG member from the matrix: "Efforts should be given to wet belt areas for early planting in the first year following harvesting."
 - iv. Indicator 4.1.A.a.ii and its target, variance, and comments accepted: "Percent of cutblock area that meets Free Growing requirements as identified in the site plans (SP); Target: 100%; variance: 0%; Comments: none."

7. Evaluation Forms distributed and completed.

8. Next Meeting

- a. Agenda:
 - i. Complete *Forest Ecosystem Contributions to Global Ecological Cycles* (Elements 4.1 Carbon Uptake and Storage, and Element 4.2 Forest Land Conversion).
 - ii. Complete *Multiple Benefits to Society* (Element 5.2 Community and Sustainability, and Element 5.3 Fair Distribution of Benefits and Costs).
 - iii. *Maintenance and Enhancement of Forest Ecosystem Conditions and Productivity* (Criterion 2.0).
- b. Time: 9:00 AM to 4:30PM.
- c. Date: Saturday, April 9th, 2005.

d. Place: Room 208, Prince George Civic Center.

9. Actions

ID#	ACTION	WHO	DEADLINE	STATUS
Nov 8 – 02	Report back on ADA and Crown land within City limits when it is appropriate in the plan.	Steering Committee	Spring 2005	Ongoing
Dec 9 – 04	Find Representative for Commercial Fishing sector.	Steering Committee	Jan 15, 2005	Sector to be removed during the next review of the ToR.
Dec 9 – 15	Steering Committee to respond to recommendation that indicator on roads in THLB is made more meaningful.	Steering Committee	Spring 2005	Outstanding. Consider having average over 5 or 10 year.
Mar 5 – 04	Respond to PAG recommendations on Conservation of Biological Diversity.	Steering Committee	March 31, 2005	Partially completed, see minutes (section 4.d).
Mar 5 – 07	Verify what process and detailed information is available for maintaining diversity (different seed zones and the way that seed is being collected). (Obtain information from tree improvement experts.)	Steering Committee	March 12, 2005	Completed
Mar 5 – 08	Determine if there is a Mountain pine beetle pine resistant program.	Steering Committee	March 12, 2005	Completed
Mar 12 – 01	Add to CI matrix the need to identify appropriate level of CWD retention.	Steering Committee	March 31, 2005	Completed
Mar 12 – 02	Add CSA definition of “protected area” from the CSA Standards to the PG SFMP PAG Glossary.	Steering Committee	March 31, 2005	Completed
Mar 12 – 03	Update survey cards to capture the new indicator 6.4.A.a.i.	Steering Committee	March 31, 2005	Completed
Mar 12 – 04	Respond to PAG recommendations on <i>Conservation of Biological Diversity</i> from March 12 th , 2005 PAG meeting.	Steering Committee	March 31, 2005	Outstanding
Mar 12 – 05	Respond to PAG recommendation to develop communication plan within DFA with special attention to rural communities. (See <i>Accepting Society's Responsibility for</i>	Steering Committee	September 2005	

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	<i>Sustainable Development).</i>			
Mar 31 - 01	Clarify the origin of the definitions in the final version of the PAG glossary (i.e., MoF, CSA, PAG).	Steering Committee	September 2005	