

Prince George SFMP Public Advisory Group

5:30 – 9:00 PM, June 8, 2006

Civic Centre (Room 208), Prince George, BC

MINUTES

In Attendance:

Public & First Nations:

Mark Clark

Pirie Elliot

Joseph Gagne

Virginia Karr

Dave King

Anne Migvar

Mike Morris

Esther Perry

Ken Pickering

Jim Reid

Lee Sexsmith

Len Shankel

Dwight Scott Wolfe

Observers:

Shane Bressette -TRC

Licensee Steering Committee:

Chair: David Jewesson - Winton Global

Kerry Deschamps - Canfor

Cecil Gray - Lakeland

Shane Neukomm - Carrier

Tim Sproule - BCTS

Advisors:

Shannon Carson - ILMB

Facilitator: Roxanne Yanishewski (Roxanne Yanishewski & Associates)

Scribe: Gretchen Prystawik (Roxanne Yanishewski & Associates)

1. Welcome & Introductions

- a. Welcome by chair of Licensee Steering Committee.
- b. Reviewed PAG February 9th, 2006 meeting evaluation results

2. Reviewed Agenda - Agenda accepted with addition of Canfor audit results presentation.

3. Reviewed Minutes - PAG adopted February 9th minutes as written with one change:

- a. Action Feb 09 – 01 to read “Provide information on indicator 4.2.A.a (permanent access structures)”.

4. Audit Results:

a. Carrier:

- i. Registration audit summary reviewed.
- ii. Handouts:
 - 1. Registration audit summary.
 - 2. “List of PAG groups in the Prince George TSA.”
 - 3. “Sustainable Forest Management Network.”
 - 4. “Forrex.”

b. Canfor:

- i. KPMG Surveillance Audit Report reviewed.
- ii. KPMG Surveillance Audit Report.

5. Annual Report:

- a. Annual Report Draft distributed to PAG members.
- b. Completed Annual Report will be distributed to PAG members and posted on a website under development.
- c. Comments from PAG members on Annual Report:
 - i. PAG members like current format where everything is contained in one place.
 - ii. Avoid excessive abbreviations.
 - iii. Consider adding executive summary.
 - iv. Provide more detail on why non-conformances occurred and how they will be addressed.
 - v. Provide cross-referencing (for example, indicator 6.2.A.a.i cultural heritage requirements repeated in 5.1.A.b.ii).
 - vi. An impressive amount of information collected and reported out on.
 - vii. Add hyperlinks in summary table.
 - viii. Provide photographs to help illustrate (for example, old forest).
 - ix. Adjust formatting to make report more visually appealing (for example, add charts to vary reporting).
 - x. In the future, display trends with results over multiple years.

- xi. Use “draft” background watermark on copies that are not final versions.
- xii. For Indicator 4.2.A.a.ii, “The total percent of forested land within the Timber Harvesting Land Base converted to non-forested land,” road class and default widths will be added to the PG SFMP Annual Report and an example of the calculation method will be provided.

6. Performance Matrix:

- a. Review of the *Prince George SFMP's Performance Matrix* indicators, targets, variances, and comments.
- b. Discussion on the *Prince George SFMP's Performance Matrix* indicators, targets, variances, and comments.
 - i. Create column with indicator identifier to assist in referencing in Performance Table and summary table in Annual Report.
- c. Consensus of PAG Representatives on the *Prince George SFMP's Performance Matrix* indicators, targets, variances, and comments:
 - i. Reduction to Indicator 3.2.A.a.iv's variance accepted: Variance: 0%.
 - ii. Increase in Indicator 6.3.A.a.iii's variance accepted: Target: ≥ 3 PAG meetings per year; Variance: -1.
 - iii. Amalgamation of Indicators 5.1.A.b.i to .vi accepted with one abstinence: The percentage of forest operations consistent with visual, cultural heritage, range, riparian, recreation and lakeshore requirements as identified in operational plans; Comments: [Remove comment from indicator 5.1.A.b.iv].
 - iv. Amalgamation of Indicators 1.2.A.a.i to .iv accepted: The percentage of operations consistent with approved caribou UWR, mule deer UWR, species at risk notice/orders and riparian reserve requirements as identified in operational plans.
 - v. Changes to Indicator 4.2.A.a.i accepted: Show amount of permanent access structures constructed during reporting year to the annual report.

7. Continuous Improvement Matrix - Working group reports:

- a. Access Management (Shannon Carson): [see handout: “Road Access Data Collection and Modified Recreation Opportunity Spectrum”]
 - i. Reviewed maps on Recreation Opportunities Spectrum
 - ii. Discussion:
 - 1. Government response from December 2006 Forest Practices Board special report on access: lack of clear direction for managing access, stakeholder vs. tenure holder interests and

information sharing, other tenure holders should be identified and considered in local plans.

2. Three general recommendations from report – Ministry of Agriculture and Lands is responsible for one while the Ministry of Forests and Range is responsible for two.

b. Quality Old Forest (Kerry Deschamps):

- i. Currently assembling information and attributes. Will use new data currently being analyzed around old forest and information on quality attribute descriptions.
- ii. Meetings planned for fall 2006 – notify Roxanne if interested in participating. Likely three focus group meetings in afternoon or evening to consider possible enhancing existing indicators in the PG SFMP.

c. Community Stability (Kerry Deschamps):

- i. McGregor Model Forest is examining this issue. Several meetings have been held to date and the PAG Meeting minutes have been presented at these meetings. No additional meetings have occurred since Kerry last reported.
- ii. The Omineca Beetle Action Coalition [mayors and the government] has been holding higher-level meetings. Their goal is to predict changes anticipated in communities from the effects of the Mountain Pine Beetle and gather funding to provide community diversification opportunities.

8. Other:

- a. BCTS' audit in scheduled for the Fall 2006. The auditors may be interested in obtaining feedback from PAG members.
- b. Winton Global and Lakeland are scheduled to be audited in Sept 18th, 2006.
- c. An annual schedule of re-registration audits will be provided to PAG members.

9. Evaluation forms distributed, completed, and collected.

10. Next PAG meeting:

- a. Fall field trip: "Indicators in Action"
 - i. Saturday, September 23, 2006.
 - ii. Itinerary to be announced - will be based on suggestions made by PAG members.
 - iii. Travel by bus.
- b. Open house – access plan viewing
 - i. Pine Centre Mall
 - ii. Date to be announced.

11. Actions

ID#	ACTION	WHO	DEADLINE	STATUS
Feb 9 – 01	Provide information on indicator 4.2.A.a (permanent access structures).	Steering Committee	June 2006	Completed
Feb 9 – 02	Send hard copy of Forest Practices Board road report to Virginia Karr, Sandra Kinsey, and Anne Migvar.	Shannon Carson	February 28, 2006	
Feb 9 – 03	Find a new chair for the Access Management Subcommittee for at the MoFR. Steering Committee to speak with MoFR District Manger to find chair sub-group.	Shannon Carson	March 31, 2006	Steering Committee will attempt to find a chair.
Feb 9 – 04	Invite PAG members to join Quality Old Forest Subcommittee.	Roxanne Yanishewski	February 28, 2006	Completed.
Feb 9 – 05	Notify PAG about theme and date of workshop concerning community stability to be held in May 2006.	Kerry Deschamps	April 2006	Completed.
Feb 9 – 06	Invitation to be sent to all PAG members interested in speaking to auditors of Carrier's SFMP to be conducted February 21 to 23, 2006.	Roxanne Yanishewski	February 13, 2006	Completed.
June 8 -01	Add road class and default widths reporting with example calculation to indicator 4.2.A.a.ii.	Steering Committee	July 2006	
June 8 - 02	Provide PAG members with audit schedule, fall tour information, and final Annual Report for 2005-6.	Steering Committee	Summer 2006	