

Stillwater Timberlands Community Advisory Group
May 11, 2005
Minutes
Marine Inn

Attendance: refer to attached sheet
Quorum noted

6:05pm: Meeting called to order

Welcome

Chair opened the meeting and welcomed members.

Safety Review

Facilitator noted safety rules – fire exits and first aid attendants, Steve and Rudi in case of emergency.

Code of Conduct

Facilitator noted code of conduct. Steve printed out small versions for CAG members, handout provided.

Review and Acceptance of Agenda

Agenda was reviewed and accepted with additions.

Review of Minutes of April 27/05 & May 5/05

Minutes from April 27th were reviewed, and accepted. Minutes from May 5th were reviewed and accepted with amendments. Facilitator noted if any additional amendments to minutes are required, to please send her an email.

Correspondence

ACTION – CAG member requested copy of Shannon Janzen's presentation. Steve to get a copy for advisory group.

Letter sent from Mr. Michel de Bellefeuille regarding Public Advisory Groups from Gary H. Gallinger CSA international. Mr. Gallinger working on 2007 Standards would like public input.

ACTION – CAG members to fill out survey and return at next meeting, May 25/05. Steve to send to CSA International.

Q – Is anyone going to Kelowna regarding first consultation with Cascadia?

A – Do not know if anyone is going. Maybe Mr. Gallinger could come to Powell River and give a presentation to the CAG. Perhaps a cover letter could be sent with the survey's.

ACTION – Re-visit CSA technical Committee regarding visiting the coast by August or September. Find out if this will be too late first. Steve to ask Michel about this. Will get back to CAG at next meeting.

ACTION – Member asked for letter to be written to CEO of Cascadia regarding VR. Inquire if new company have to pick up same commitments as prior company.

Rudi – Good idea to keep up VR. Speak up as a group to keep the Forest Project. Member also stated that sending a letter is a good idea. Can letter refer to both VR and Forest Project? Keep it simple, one page only. What about a meeting instead?

Access Update

Member gave update on Diane Lake Valley. Requested copy of Engineering report for Whiskey 2 crossing.

ACTION- Steve to supply engineering report.

Other Business –

Member made comment about B.C. Timber Supply contemplating doing away with some OGMA's old growth and are planning to log them. This is very concerning. I would like to research if B.C. timber Supply is going to log them?

A- Steve- It is my understanding that they are protected and can not be logged.

Q- Do we know the status of OGMA's?

A-The information is on line. I would suggest to speak to Bruce McCaracker or Kevin Matthew's for more information.

INFO from Rudi

Last week was National Forestry Week Sat. May 7th. Great day, aprox. 40 people came. Spoke to public about VR, showed them a logging area, took them to the fish farm and had a tour. Stopped at canoe route, viewed the underwater salvage (only one in the world cutting standing timber under water.) Went to DLS for tour, Kents Beach for logging. In general everything went well.

Rudi presented his PMP/NIT, handout provided. This is a joint effort with Neil Hughes and Paul Kutz and myself. Rudi showed info on map at areas to be treated. This is a 5 year plan and a 1 year table. Rudi asked that if there is any comments or concerns to please get back to him in the next month or so.

Q – Member- Concerning the maple at Haywire Bay, can they cut some branches and leave a single stem to grow into a large maple tree?

A – Yes, but only a certain amount can be dealt with that way.

Q- Can that not be done in Haywire Bay?

A- I can not do that for the entire stand. There are too many maple. Ministry needs to change standards to be able to do that.

ACTION – Rudi to talk to Ministry about Haywire Bay alternatives for controlling maple. Suggestion from member, what about using fertilizer?

Q – Member had concern about treating near water shed?

A – Will stay out of areas that are sensitive.

ACTION – Member to send Rudi a email concerning field trials for fertilizer for controlling maple.

Q – Member inquired about funding from F I A?

A – Funds almost all dried up. No dollars for silviculture , all the money has been put into recreation.

Q – member inquired about how much herbicide would be used at Haywire Bay?

A – Can tell you how much we use after treatment.

Q- Member asked if sprouts could be kicked off maple instead?

A – No, too expensive.

Members thanked Rudi for his presentation.

ACTION LIST- Reviewed, changes made. See appended.

Power Point- Discussion on Power Point. Issue is seen as controversial and political by member. Group would like to tweak it, move away from political end and make it more educational. Use PP as a marketing tool.

Q – What about using Cathy's presentation presented in Sechelt?

A- Good idea, has more general information on what CAG has done, could make it a public relations document.

Q – Should we continue with PP and make a sub committee to tweak presentation.

A – Yes, all members in favor to continue, should be brought back to table by Sept or early Oct.

Discussion - If that is too late, should it be done sooner. 3 members volunteered to work on sub committee for PP. Cathy said she would facilitate if on a weekend. CAG would like to meet with Brascan first to see who they are, so no rush for the PP at this time.

10 minute break

Indicators

Indicator meeting scheduled for Sat May 14/05 at 9:00 am to 3:00 pm at Marine Inn. 8 people confirmed to come. Stephen spoke to CAG about up coming meeting. Hand outs given for information.

Info given to CAG about changes coming with Brascan. Can't say much, just don't know. Discussion on topic of crown and private lands.

Q- Member asked about regulatory requirements?

A- Should keep a few good requirements.

Will discuss more at Saturday's meeting.

Company Updates – Stephen Chaplin

1. Brascan Update

On May 18th or 19th Weyerhaeuser and Brascan representatives will be holding an employee's meeting to explain benefits at Stillwater.

There has been no indication to date on when Brascan will meet with Community advisory groups.

Darshan Sihota has been appointed as the President of Island Timberlands (Private Lands Business). Darshan is a RPF and holds a master degree in business administration.

Hugh Sutcliffe has been appointed as the President of Cascadia Forest Products. Hugh is a RPF and a Professional Engineer. He has 30 years of forest industry experience and was most recently the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer at International Forest Products.

The senior management teams for both businesses are expected to be announced within the next two weeks.

Stillwater will likely remain as a crown business under Cascadia and the private lands within Powell River will be run under Island Timberlands.

The Community advisor group will continue to be a FSP and CSA advisory body to Cascadia Stillwater Division.

Q- Mr. Sutcliffe, Where is he going?

A – I surmise it will be Nanaimo, however we really don't know.

Q – What about Mr. Holmes?

A – Mr. Holmes is staying with Weyerhaeuser, he will not be part of Brascan.

2. Environment LL-162

On Friday May 6th the MOF held an opportunity to be heard at the MOF District office for LL-162.

Both the Government and Industry presented their position and provided the district manager with written submission.

The DM will either find that there was a contravention or that due diligence was exercised and therefore no contravention has occurred. Greg indicated that we will have his determination in about 1 month.

Steve will share findings with group when it is done.

Q – Are contravention's accumulative against the company?

A – Yes, they are compounded and would include any previous contravention of a similar nature for all Weyerhaeuser operations in B.C.

Fiddlehead

On Tuesday May 10th Weyerhaeuser self reported to the MOF that a small portion (about 30 meters of Giovanni Main was built within the RMA of a S4 creek.)

The FSP does have provisions to build road within RMA,s of creeks under certain conditions.

This location was seen as a balance between protecting the creek and providing a low level access point for a future that will develop a future area.

3. CSA/Chain of Custody Audit.

Gregor Macintosh is currently working on our final audit report and we should have in next week.

Operational Information Map

Maps were displayed-

Current Activities

Harvesting – GI-019, PD-206, WL-005, ST-048, ST-260, HO-403

Road Construction - FH-027, TM-218, K-Branch (ST-008), WL-909

Engineering – UL-812, FH-027B, ST-317, ST-146, Little Horseshoe Lake Area

Salvage Areas – Chippewa, Lewis Lake @ 4 Mile, UL-806, K Branch, Beaver Main

What's New on the Map

New Blocks: – GI-057, PL-001, PL-002

New Roads – None

Cutting Permit Approved Areas – *None*

New Salvage Areas – *Barbara Lake and "B" Branch (Updated Area's) and Dodd Lake BCTS Block*

Map Updates

Logging Complete – *TM-224*

Road Construction Complete – *TM-300, ST-048 Kent's Beach*

Road Construction Update – **TM-218**

Engineered Blocks – **PD-241, PD-453, PD-454, GI-145 GI-054**

Engineered Roads – None

If you have any questions regarding the Operational Map or require further information, please contact Stephen J. Chaplin at (604) 485-3121 or via email @ Stephen.chaplin@weyerhaeuser.com

Q – About the salvages, do they get release packages?

A – Yes, they have a release package, but there is no access management statement in it.

ACTION - Where road crosses Sunshine Coast trail keep it accessible on Giovanni Main. Stephen to speak to engineers.

Q – How long will they be helicopter logging at Haslam Lake?

A – Do not know at this time.

Discussion on heli logging. Comment made that they are accommodating for the public if needing to go by area.

Thank you to Steve.

Other Business –

Q – What impact does the advisory group really have?

A – At local level yes, it can make a difference.

Purpose of the advisory group is more local, I do not know what information gets to someone in the senior management team. That is a good question for Reid Carter.

Next Meeting – May 25/05

Meeting Adjourned 9:00 pm

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Attendance

Name	Position	Member Seat
PRESENT		
Eagle Walz - Chair	Primary	Recreation
Joanne Cameron-Nordell	Primary	Local Business
Jane Cameron - 2nd Vice-Chair	Primary	Member at large
Ken Jackson – vice-chair	Primary	Recreation
Michael Conway	Primary	Environment/Access

Brown		
Jack McClinchey	Primary	Motorized Recreation
Tony Smith	Primary	Education
Patrick Brabazon	Primary	Local Govt. (Regional)
Dave Rees	Alternate	Tourism
Andy Davis	Alternate	Citizens
Bill Maitland	Alternate	Contractors
Paul Goodwin	Primary	Forest Dependent
David Gabelhouse	Alternate	Local Govt.(Municipal)
14 Seats represented		
ABSENT		
George Ferreira	Alternate	Local Business
Paul Holbrook	Alternate	Forest Dependent
Debbie Waslewski	Primary	Citizen
Dan Waslewski	Alternate	Citizens
Jeff Mah	Primary	Local Govt. (Municipal)
Fran Ferguson	Alternate	Recreation
Nancy Hollmann	Primary	Environment
Erika Hein	Primary	Youth
David Gabelhouse	Alternate	Local Govt. (Municipal)
Les Falk	Alternate	Local Govt. (Regional)
Lorne Marr	Alternate	Recreation
John Passek	Alternate	Motorized Recreation
Andrew Pinch	Primary	Tourism
Dianne Mason	Alternate	Education
Kevin McKamey	Alternate	Contractors
Rory Maitland	Primary	Contractors
Resource – others		
Stephen Chaplin	Stillwater	Weyerhaeuser
Rudi Van Zwaaij	Stillwater	Weyerhaeuser
Cathy Bartfai	Facilitator	
Melanie Chaplin	Secretary	