

**CSA Community Advisory Group to
Island Timberlands
June 5, 2006
Minutes
Town Centre Hotel**

Attendance:
refer to attached sheet

6:08pm: Meeting called to order

Terms of Reference review

Facilitator provided copies of draft terms of reference for review.
Diane reviewed the draft with members. Members agreed that two separate terms of reference for Stillwater and Island Timberlands would be appropriate.
Terms were discussed, agreed to and amended in the following categories:

1.0 Mandate – Changed Stillwater to Island – where necessary add *targets and alternate strategies*

2.0 Goals

2.1 add “*targets and alternate strategies*” to goals, objectives and indicators

2.5 removed – duplicated

3.0 Operating Principles –3.3.2.1 External Communications

Make minutes available to Regional District office

3.4 Resources

3.4.4 Current Standing members-

Include Diane Medves and Kraig Urbanoski

3.4.6 – add “*as is reasonable*” to “*technical and professional support as requested*”

3.4.7 – Add – The organization will provide resources for the facilitator who has been agreed upon by both organization and Advisory Group.

3.4.8 - Add – The organization will provide resources for the recorder who has been agreed upon by both organization and Advisory Group.

3.5 Meeting procedures

3.5.1 Meetings are scheduled for the second Wednesday of each month – add “*when agenda items warrant*”

3.10 Provisions for Conflict of interest

Add “*or the organization*”

3.11.1 To make decisions by consensus – add “*in an advisory role to the organization in relation to CSA standards*”

3.11.5 Add –“*notable objection in writing*”

Break

7:00pm

Review of Indicators for Island Timberlands

Diane noted that there are four different DFA's. Focus is on certification for DFA's - ISO, SFI and CSA.

Question – Are any areas not certified?

Answer – Same as in the DFA before.

Question – Which lands are not included?

Answer – Need a map - will bring one next time.

ACTION- Provide map showing all other private lands:

1. *Island lands which were formerly in the TFL and for which certification is envisaged.*
2. *Island lands which are not being included in the quest for certification*
3. *Island lands which are legislated through the Private Forest Land legislation*
4. *Island lands, which are simply private and not subjected to any of the above.*

Member noted that there are different rule for crown and private lands, and also for private managed lands.

Members were provided with copies of the Stillwater Values, Objectives, Indicators and targets. Diane noted that she has looked through the plan and highlighted in red suggested changes and additions for Island Timberlands.

Members reviewed and discussed suggested changes.

It was noted that Island Timberlands does not use LUP's they are under a different legislation (private land).

1. Conservation of biological Diversity

1.1 Ecosystem Diversity

Indicator#1

Suggested indicator - The % of each ecosystem type in the DFA that is in each of the three seral stages.

Suggested target – Suitable areas of old growth for recruitment are identified for the early and mature seral deficits are tabulated

Indicator#2

Suggested indicator

the % of the total area harvested that has retention

Suggested target

the % of the total area harvested annually that is done under the retention policy of Island is 80%

Members agreed.

Question – What about rotation and old growth?

Answer – There is no old growth on Island Timberlands land. Rotation can be from 40 up to 120 years. Mostly between 60 and 80 years. There is species diversity.

Question – What about LUP's

Answer – they are not tracked on private land, only on crown land.

1.2 Species Diversity

Indicator #3

Suggested indicator

The % of species listed on the BC Government Category of Species at Risk list and species of special interest that occur on the DFA and that may be affected by forest management for which the Island Threatened and endangered species procedure is followed

Suggested target

The % of species listed on the BC Government Category of Species at Risk list and species of special interest that occur on the DFA and that may be affected by forest management for which the recovery programs exist is 100%.

Members agreed.

Question – Does Island have a Retention policy?

Answer – Yes – ranges are from 3.5, 7 and 15% Diane will provide a copy.

ACTION - Provide copy of Island Timberlands' Retention policy

Question – Is Island Timberlands concerned with small pockets of logging and adjacent green-up?

Plans could be laid out by Island in June and then by BCTS in July- would Island Timberlands be aware of them? Members noted concerns on adjacent areas that could blow down and the appearance of a clear cut.

ACTION- Let Company know of community concerns about appearance of a clear cut.

Members asked for good forest stewardship around creeks and streams where problems can occur.

Diane noted that the company will be informed of members concerns.

1.3 Genetic Diversity

Suggested Value

Genetic diversity within tree species is maintained through reforestation

Objective

Maintain genetic variation for the survival of the tree species over time

Indicator#4

Seedlots used for reforestation follow the Ministry of Forests standards

Target

Make sure the effective population of a seedlot is no smaller than 10
Members agreed.

Indicator #5

Suggested Indicator

Reforestation occurs with consideration given to species taken off the site unless forest health issues are prevalent

Suggested target

Compare previous inventory species with new stock

Members agreed.

*Question – What are the procedures around threatened and endangered species?
Does Island Timberlands use the SARA list or red/blue list?*

Answer – Both are used.

Question – What about genetically modified trees?

Answer – Island does not use- they are not available. Island follows provincial guidelines.

Question – When planting Douglas Fir – how many are used?

Answer – No introduced species are used. They are monitored across the landscape there is 40-year data on sites and they have broad-based traits.

1.4 Protected areas and sites of special biological significance

Maintain areas of special biological significance in the DFA (e.g. Eagle River)

Suggested value #6

Maintain areas of special biological significance

Objective

DFA operations are planned to minimize risk to adjacent protected areas

Indicator#6

% of areas of special biological significance harvested within any five year period

Target

The % of areas of special biological significance harvested within any five-year period is less than 7%

change – Park perimeter – to areas of special biological significance

Members agreed.

2.2 Forest Ecosystem Productivity

Suggested

Objective

To maintain the structural diversity within managed stands in each BEC zone in the DFA

Members agreed.

Indicator #10

The % retention within each BEC subzone in the DFA

Target

The % of retention within each BEC subzone in the DFA that is ????

– Diane will look at % of retention with in each BEC subzone - ACTION

Can be tracked and how is it targeted? Is it tracked block by block?

Facilitator noted that audits would look at this item.

Suggested

Indicator #14

The annual number of slides that are post May 2005

Target

The annual number of slides that are post May 2005 is zero.

Change date to post May 2005 not post 1995

Members agreed.

Island Timberlands started in May 2005

Suggested

Indicator #17

The annual number of harvest openings in which soil disturbance exceeds the levels specified in the Island Timberlands standards

(Diane will check) ACTION

Target

The annual number of openings harvested in which soil disturbance exceeds the levels specified in the Island Timberlands standards. Target is zero

Members agreed.

Suggested

Indicator #21

The annual % of harvested areas in the DFA that is not reforested within 1 year from harvest

Target

The annual % of harvested areas in the DFA that is not reforested within 1 year from harvest is zero.

Members agreed.

Indicator#22

LRSY not used use TSA instead.

Members agreed.

Question – Does Island Timberlands have to retain wildlife tree patches?

Answer - Yes, if there is an active nest.

Question – Is there a copy of Island Timberlands’ standards available?

Answer – Yes

ACTION – Bring copy of Island Timberlands’ standards to June 14 meeting.

Indicator# 26

Objective

Timber supply of appropriate species is made available to local small businesses and contractors at a fair competitive price

Fair market price for local users was discussed. Members noted that locals want a sustainable source of fibre available locally at *fair market price*.

It was noted that a fibre supply meeting will be held in the future- Diane asked for more information.

Member noted that old growth attributes of cedar and fir, and maple and alder is needed if available.

ACTION – Check into “fair market pricing” of logs for local customers.

5.2 Communities and Stability

Indicator #28

Suggested indicator

The amount of harvesting in the DFA over a 5-year average.

Target

The amount of harvesting in the DFA over a 5 year period does not have an annual harvest that exceeds 25% of the average.

Members agreed.

Question – If only here every two years- can Island fulfill the intent of this indicator?

Diane will provide commitment statement for local community.

Indicator# 33

The # of non-conformances with the Access management plan. – target - zero
Change Access Management Plan to Policy

Members agreed.

Member noted that vandalism in the forest has decreased since the wilderness watch program was started.

6.1 Aboriginal and Treaty Rights

First Nations

Diane noted that seats will be offered to both Sliammon and Sechelt.

ACTION – Send letter(s) of invitation to First Nations (Sliammon/Sechelt) to sit at table for Advisory Group for Island Timberlands.

6.3 Public participation
Information for decision-making

Indicator #37

*Sunshine Coast Trail within the DFA
(Waiting for reply from PRPAWS regarding SCT)*

Indicator #38

*Suggested Objective
Regular information sharing with the Advisory Group which represents the public on issues pertaining to CSA certification*
*Indicator
The annual # of meetings that are held with the Advisory group and the public at large.
Acceptable variances can be noted in the SFM plan- agreed.*
*Target
The annual number of meetings held with the CAG as a whole with the assistance of a facilitator and secretary is 5 or more
Members agreed.*

Indicator #39

*Suggested value
The timeliness of information sharing with interested parties regarding the DFA*
*Objective
Information share with the Advisory Group and the general public in a timely manner on issues pertaining to CSA certification*
*Indicator
The Advisory Group is informed of corporate policy, program changes and initiatives, prior to the general public with respect to CSA certification*
*Target
The Advisory Group is informed of corporate policy and program changes, and initiatives, prior to release to the general public 100% of the time
Members agreed.*

Indicator #43 – The annual # of requested education events that island supports for the Advisory group.
Diane will check with Steve - ACTION

Indicator #44 – The # of forestry related events Island Timberlands participates in or supports in the community.
Target -The number of forestry related events Island Timberlands participates in or supports in the Community is > 1

Members agreed.

ACTION – Advisory Group to keep Diane up to date on community events (e.g. forestry week, logger sports etc)

Indicator #45 – regarding recreation maps – Diane noted that there are none for Island Timberlands.

Appendix A - Alpine Access Trails
Need to revise appropriate for Island Timberlands DFA.

ACTION - required for Indicators #10, #17 and #43 - Diane

Horseshoe River Harvest Plans

Diane noted that there are plans to harvest in the Horseshoe River area in the near future.

ACTION - Bring map and plans for Horseshoe River to June 14 meeting

Correspondence

1. E-mail request has been sent for information on where Island Timberlands' harvesting may influence the SCT.

Meeting adjourned 8:46pm

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| Name | Position | Member Seat |
|---|--------------------|--------------------|
| PRESENT | | |
| Jane Cameron – Chair | Primary | Member at large |
| Ken Jackson – Vice-Chair | Primary | Recreation |
| Patrick Brabazon | Primary | Local Governments |
| Nancy Hollmann | Primary | Environment |
| Paul Goodwin | Alternate | Forest Dependent |
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| 5 Seats represented | | |
| Absent members | | |
| Andrew Pinch | Alternate | Tourism |
| Ted Byng | Alternate | Local Governments |
| Mark Hassett | Primary | Local Business |
| Bill Maitland | Alternate | Local Business |
| Kathy Kirk | Alternate | Member at Large |
| George Illes | Alternate | Environment |
| Doug Fuller | Primary | DFA Worker |
| Ron Fuller | Alternate | DFA Worker |
| Wayne Borgfjord | Primary | Forest Dependent |
| Rory Maitland | Primary | Contractor |
| Brent Rothwell | Alternate | Contractor |
| Jack McClinchey | Primary | Recreation |
| Dave Rees- 2nd Vice Chair | Primary | Tourism |
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| PRESENT | | |
| Resource – others | | |
| Diane Medves | Island Timberlands | |
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| Cathy Bartfai | Facilitator | |
| Pam Dowding | Secretary | |