

Stillwater Timberlands Community Advisory Group

May 20th. 2004

Minutes – Indicator Review

Weyerhaeuser Office

Present:

CAG Members

Eagle Walz

Ken Jackson

Jack McClinchey

Jane Cameron

Michael Conway-Brown

Debby Waslewski

Doug McCormick – Weyerhaeuser

Cathy Bartfai – Facilitator

Pam Dowding – Secretary

5:15pm

Meeting called to order

No Quorum

Welcome

Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed members. Sub-committee was called to conduct final review of SFMP for 2004.

Indicator Review

Indicator #34 – Hectares of brushing by method and amount of herbicide or pesticide used in TFL 39, Blocks 1 and 5 as reported quarterly to CAG.

Facilitator asked why data showed more litres of herbicide used to treat less hectares in 2003 compared to 2002.

Doug explained that some areas have more brush problems than others and have to be treated accordingly.

Indicator #48 - # of Stillwater Timberland employees, payroll man-days per year (Total of Company) and # of new employees hired compared to the # of new employees hired from the Powell River area.

Data showed a reduction in Stillwater employees man-days to 8279 in 2003 compared to 15,525 in 2002. It was explained that the figures were due to the sale of the dry land sort and to an extended fire season shutdown period in 2003.

Facilitator noted that due to economic changes in the community, this indicator may need further discussion.

Member noted that since so much of Weyerhaeuser's work is contracted out these days, the figures don't really tell the complete story. Member asked for additional data on the number of contractors and man-days directly attributed to Weyerhaeuser.

ACTION – (Indicator #48) – more information requested on man days (contractors) directly attributed to Weyerhaeuser.

Indicator # 49 – Stillwater Timberlands annual profit margin \$/m3

Doug noted that the way Weyerhaeuser reports is a bit different in 2003 than for previous years. Actual reporting figures show \$22.61 for private land and .49 for crown land. The difference between 2002 and 2003 amounts was due to the stumpage system and falling markets.

Indicator #50 – Heli – logging -

It was noted that this indicator will be developed in the future.

Indicator #51 - *Distribution of Stillwater revenues by percentage.*

Data shown was explained and it was noted that a new simplified accounting system is in place.

Member asked whether this indicator was useful.

ACTION – (Indicator # 51) - more discussion needed on this indicator (Distribution of Stillwater revenues by percentage)

Indicator #52 – *Economic impact of Weyerhaeuser's operations in the community.*

It was noted that the 20% takeback will reduce the local operation in size.

Question – Member asked whether Weyerhaeuser would become a broker of logs from the 20% takeback

Answer – Not right away, but could be in the future. It was noted that Interfor has made a separate company to pursue some of the 20% but there are no plans for Weyerhaeuser to do the same at this time.

Indicator # 53 – *Ongoing consultation process with the Community Advisory Group*

Report showed that there were 22 formal meetings, numerous sub-committee meetings with CAG and an open house for the community in 2003.

Indicator # 54 – *The # of hectares heli-logged versus the # of hectares conventionally logged*

Report showed an increase in Block 1 from 2002 (10.5%) to 2003 (15.8%).

No heli-logging in Block 5 in 2003. This indicator will be discussed again in the near future. (June 9th meeting)

Indicator #55 – *The # of non-conformances with the Access*

Plan.

Plan was modified in 2004. SOP's will be revised to provide direction to contractors regarding blocking of roads. It was noted that complaints and issues regarding access are recorded in the minutes of CAG meetings. This indicator is to be re-visited next year.

Indicator #56 –*Number of "Free Use Permits" issued*

Report for 2003 shows 201 permits issued, down from 2002 – when 264 permits were issued.

Indicator #57 – *Compliance with Central Coast LRMP Process and Results*

Stillwater has honored the moratorium on harvesting within the Phillips Lake proposed protected area (Spruce Flats)

Doug noted that the LRMP was signed off last week and has gone to the ministry. Proposed protected area is Spruce flats within the Phillips Lake protected area. It was noted that companies have hired an eco-system expert and a meeting will take place on June 11th 2004.

Indicator #58 – *Visual Quality Objectives established and met.*

No violations recorded to the end of 2003

Indicator #59 – *Amount of de-built road, amount of trail access maintained on this de-built road. Include a current list of trail access and length that exists on top of de-built road.*

Report incomplete - data will be recorded soon.

Indicator #60 – *Conformance with the Recreation Inventory requirements.*

No non-compliances

Next inventory will be done in 2005.

Indicator #61 – *Degree of integration of Stillwater Timberlands recreation inventory data and working field maps.*

Currently, some local information on existing informal trails within the DFA is missing on the Recreation Inventory and GIS system. Company will work with CAG to ensure inventory is updated with latest local information.

Indicator #62 – Improved road, recreation and interpretive signs that are maintained and visible.

Current signage is much improved over previous years.

Indicator #63 - # and location of safe parking areas associated with recreation sites and trails.

Not addressed by CAG and Stillwater in 2003.

Assessment will be completed in 2004 and will include a timetable for future improvements.

Member noted that some improvements were currently being made to the parking area at mile 34.

Indicator #64 – Up-to-date Recreation Maps available.

Map was updated and re-issued in March 2003. Update likely in 2005 when current supply runs out.

Indicator #65 – Compliance with the Stillwater Timberlands' communication and consultation policy

Question – What about response to e-mails and phone calls?

Answer – Public is encouraged to use feedback forms, available at the office. All safety complaints are signed off within 24 hours.

Suggestion – Maybe policy should include all e-mails and phone calls received?

Indicator #66 – Kilometres of 2-wheel drive roads and 4-wheel drive roads with highway access and non-highway access, by category.

Block 1 - Database has changed since 2001. GIS is different. Old roads are not kept in database, only GPS roads.

Block 5 – No roads in Block 5 are highway accessible.

Indicator #67 – *The # of campsites and picnic sites maintained by Stillwater Timberlands*

Canoe route sites are currently maintained (15 sites and trails), also satellite picnic sites at Tony and Lewis lakes.

Indicator #68 – *Maintain current commitment to fund the maintenance of the Canoe Route*

It was noted that as long as FIA funds are available, Weyerhaeuser will continue to maintain its commitment to fund the sites associated with the Canoe Route.

Indicator #69 – *Company meets its commitments towards establishment of the Millennium Park.*

Weyerhaeuser will continue to bargain in good faith with all parties.

Indicator #70 – *The Company meets its commitment to the Sunshine Coast Trail*

Member noted three areas of concern –

Saltery Bay to the pole line

Pole line to Fairview Bay

Fairview Bay to Rainy Day Lake

The above areas not finished and not yet up to safety standards

Doug noted that no more FIA money is available this year and there are no finances for any new projects. FIA funds will be used as long as they are available.

ACTION - Sunshine Coast Trail – Paul will provide re-route survey for the Fiddlehead Farm-Giovanno Lake section.

Indicator #71 – *The Company meets its commitment to re-establish road access to Mt. Alfred and Glacier.*

Doug noted that trail to Mt. Alfred (A-800 – slide) is not happening this year due to lack of FIA funding for 2004. Company will include this project in the 2005 funding request.

Indicator #72 – *Access Plan review is done on an annual basis with the public at large and the CAG.*

Company expects to meet commitment for annual review.

Indicator #73 – *24/7 days a week access for the public from Tin Hat Junction to Dodd Lake and Khartoum Lake Campsites.*

One-way loop providing 24/7 access to Tin Hat Junction was completed in 2003.

Dodd Lake to Khartoum will be done eventually but not all at once.

Indicator #74 – *Earliest possible consultation with CAG re corporate policy and program changes and initiatives.*

New indicator –

Indicator #75 – *Compliance with Government consultation process requirements*

FSP shown at the mall

Company is back on track with Sliammon and differences have been ironed out.

Company has met all of the legally required consultation processes to date

Indicator #76 – *Current list of partnerships and community involvement*

Current list of donation shown - \$14,698 in cash and buildings worth \$70,100 were been donated in 2003

Question – Does report contain information for 2004?

Answer – Report has information from 2003 back to 2000

Indicator #77 – *Company encourages dialogue between Corporate and community partners and the enhancement of local value-added industries. i.e. ultramodern sawmill, composite wood product development.*

This indicator tracks support for local value added industry

Indicator #78 – Maintenance of CSA and ISO certifications, and continuing exploration into FSC certification

Same indicator as 2003, add FSC information discussed with CAG.

Indicator #79 – Recordable Incident Rate (RIR)

2004 target is less than 1

2003 – zero

Indicator #80 – Compliance with legislative requirements respecting aboriginal treat rights

of Archaeological assessments completed

2003–13

Indicator #81 – Actively consult with local bands to plan for treaty rights and cultural features.

Operational information map is sent to Sliammon

Company continued to invite Sliammon to participate in traditional use surveys and to walk the blocks.

Question – What are the purple ribbons on trees north of Wildwood

Answer – Mike Dunn would know historical information on these trees.

Indicator #82 – Attendance at public meetings and forums

Re –word to show public participation at events

Indicator #83 - # of formal responses to each public process

Annual survey – 2003 - 4 written comments and 48 survey responses received

ACTION - Doug will provide copy of 2003 survey to CAG

Question regarding Indicator #12 -

Percent of seed that is provincially modified or certified –

No forecast?

Company expects to meet objectives.

Question regarding Indicator #4-

Percent of total S1, S2 and S3 stream length with adjacent forest buffer >40 years

It was noted that there is a difference between data reported for 2002 and 2003.

Further work to be done on this indicator. This item needs to be addressed with map person at the office.

ACTION – *Updated info on streams (Indicator #4) needed to be consistent with 2002 figures*

ACTION – *needed for the following :*

Indicator #19 – *Information needed for 2003*

Indicator #35 - *Information needed for 2003*

Indicator # 40 – *Information needed for 2003*

Indicator # 41 – *Information needed for 2003*

Indicator # 42 – *Annual harvest as a percentage of Annual AAC and Long Run Sustainable Yield - Doug – to check LRSY (Management Plan)*

(2003 – 29% AAC – 39% LRSY)

Indicator #44 – *Annual harvest over the 5 year cut control period vs. the 5-year AAC and the Long Run Sustainable Yield-*

Question -

Do old rules apply over the 5-years or new rules under FRPA?

AAC to be plus or minus 10%.

If block 5 is gone could company be fined for undercutting?

Under the old rules company could lose the undercut.

Indicator #45 – *Compliance with Local Fibre Sale Agreement Policy. Volume sold by species and grade to local entrepreneurs. Documented written complaints.*

Members requested that timber from Block 5 should be included in the report

Volume sold locally (2003 – 1,379cubic metres)

ACTION – *Include wood from block 5 in 2004 in report for Indicator #45 (Local fibre sales)*

Old Growth committee will meet again to discuss old growth supply.

Safety on the roads

Overloaded logging trucks

Member noted that overloaded logging trucks have been seen driving through Paradise Valley.

Doug will make a note and find out more information.

Members of the public could call RCMP or Ministry of Forests with safety concerns.

Meeting adjourned 8:00pm