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CSA Community Advisory Group To Western Forest Products May 12th, 2010 Minutes Western Forest Products Boardroom

CAG met with the CSA auditor from 6pm to 8pm.

Attendance: refer to attached sheet

8:00pm: Meeting called to order
Quorum noted

Safety Review

Facilitator noted fire exits and first aid attendants in case of emergency. Meeting place in case of emergency was noted.

Code of Conduct

Code of Conduct for Community Advisory Group was reviewed.

Welcome and Introductions

Chair welcomed Stuart Glen, Ken MacKenzie, and guest Russ Parsons.

Review and Acceptance of Agenda

Agenda was accepted with the deletion of the Invasive Plant Report, Sunshine Coast Trail, and Finnish Forestry Website due to time constraints.

Review and Acceptance of Minutes

Minutes from April 14th Island Timberlands meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Correspondence

Copies of recent correspondence was provided and reviewed

- Emails inviting First Nations to meetings
- April letter to PRPAWS
- Goodbye letter to Jeff Ternan
- Goodbye letter to Ron Fuller
- Thank you letter to Ally Gibson

Ken MacKenzie, New Manager of Stillwater Division - Introduction

Ken has been involved with the Mid Island advisory group since 1999 when it first started in the area. He was the new division forester for MacMillan Bloedel at the time. He was involved with developing and working with the advisory group. Ken loved working with the group and watching them become independent. He has continued to be involved with the group as his roles changed over the years. As a manager in Campbell River he has continued his involvement as a guest with the advisory group. Ken is hoping that the Stillwater Community Advisory Group would like him to continue his involvement.

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The most important value that Ken holds is safety. He encouraged the group to let him know if they had any ideas regarding safety.

Operational Information Update

Current Activities

Harvesting – CH-019, CH-539, CH-540, CH-558, HE-518, HE-518A, OL-625, OL-747, OL-544, ST-159, ST-203, ST-208, ST-334, ST-822, TH-500

Road Construction – GI-059, GI-203, OL-554, PD-455, TH-501, WL-950

Engineering – PD-458, ST-027, ST-216, ST-265, ST-287, ST-340 (windthrow) UL-809, UL-810,

What's New on the Map

New Blocks – ST-340 (windthrow), ST-265, ST-022, UL-809 (additional area)

New Roads - UL-809 (additional road)

Cutting Permit Approved Areas – ST-208 amendment

Map Updates

Logging Complete – None

Road Construction Complete – OL-554, TH-500

Engineered Blocks – TM-169, ST-216, TM-223

Engineered Roads – TM-223

Note: The additional area of UL-809 is located along the Sunshine Coast Trail. PRPAWS has been informed that we are commencing layout along the SCT in this area which is located just north of Lewis Lake.

Company Update

Stuart said that they are planning on having the forest tour on June 19th instead of in September because of busy schedules in September. October weather can be questionable and in the past the tour was in June. CAG was invited to attend again.

The Province is looking at allocating a larger part of FIA funding to silvicultural activities instead of a whole range of things like recreation. The maintenance of the canoe route has been held up due to this development. There is presently uncertainty as to exactly what will happen with the FIA funding.

ACTION: Chair person to write a letter to Minister Bell regarding FIA funding.

Road access to Dodd Lake campsite has been resurfaced.

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Access Management Plan

Stuart distributed the Stillwater Timberlands Access Management Plan document. When Stuart came to Stillwater he read the Access Management Plan and found that the emphasis was on the importance of roads to recreational users. The document covers making sure access was available to campsites and other recreational areas.

The group read through the document together and discussed possible changes, deletions, and additions.

ACTION: Stuart to confirm that tourism is given pamphlets regarding how public access roads work (ie. one way)

ACTION: Stuart to ask Tourism website to add hotline information.

Stuart suggested that the road deactivation section may need to be rewritten as WFP only deactivates roads if it has to. The roads are important to WFP and it is costly to deactivate.

Question: Why do the ditches have to be so deep when a culvert has been taken out?

Sometimes when a bridge is taken out the natural stream channel is very deep.

Question: Could any deactivation be discussed before it happens?

WFP is deactivating all of the time. Every block that is logged generally has some deactivation. At the minimum there will be some little water bars to take the water off the surface.

Forestry engineers assess each situation and weigh the risks against the values before any deactivation is done. They ask questions like: does the creek have fish? Is it a flashy creek? Do the ATV people use the road? Is the road needed for silviculture and future logging access?

Question: Can you do deactivation like they do in the Interior? They lay rock down so that there is still access.

Yes. You can use different models for deactivation. When we put a ditch in we try to build it so that we can get our truck through otherwise we cut off our access.

ACTION: Stuart to look into rewriting portions of Access Management Plan group discussed.

Group agreed to cut off discussion of document at the end of the section regarding road deactivation operations. Discussion to be continued at a later date.

Group discussed final meeting for the year. Decision was made to have a field trip on June 7th at 1:00 pm rather than a meeting. Group will meet at WFP.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

**Stillwater CSA Community Advisory Group
Western Forest Products
May 12th
Attendance**

Name	Position	Member Seat
PRESENT		
Jane Cameron – Chair	Primary	Member at large
Bill Maitland	Primary	Local Business
Barry Miller	Primary	Environment
Nancy Hollmann	Alternate	Tourism
Doug Fuller	Primary	DFA Worker
Colin Palmer	Primary	Local Governments
Paul Goodwin	Alternate	Forest Dependent
Read English	Alternate	Local Business
Ken Jackson	Primary	Recreation
Rory Maitland	Primary	Contractor
George Illes	Alternate	Environment
8 Seats represented		
ABSENT MEMBERS		
Dave Rees	Primary	Tourism
Andy Payne	Alternate	Member at large
Dave Formosa	Alternate	Local Governments
Wayne Borgfjord	Primary	Forest Dependent
Mark Hassett	Alternate	Contractor
Dave Hodgins	Alternate	Recreation
PRESENT		
Resource – others		
Russ Parsons	Guest	
Stuart Glen	WFP	
Ken MacKenzie	WFP	
Valerie Thompson	Secretary/Facilitator	