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CSA Community Advisory Group To Western Forest Products February 9th Minutes Western Forest Products Boardroom

Attendance: refer to attached sheet

6:30pm: 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 group.

Review and Acceptance of Agenda

Agenda was accepted.

Correspondence

Copies of recent correspondence was provided and reviewed

- Emails inviting First Nations to meetings
- Letter to PRPAWS
- Letter thanking Wayne Bjorgford
- Annual invitation letters from CAG to Sechelt and Sliammon First Nations
- Radio Chatter email sent by Ken MacKenzie

Review and Acceptance of Minutes

Minutes from January 12th Western Forest Products meeting were reviewed and accepted.

Operational Information Map Review

Current Activities

Harvesting

GI-057, GI-059, HE-521, OL-747, ST-011, ST-020, ST-245, ST-247, ST-287, TH-500, TH-501

Road Construction

ST-022, ST-232, ST-265, UL-811

Engineering

CH-402, ST-032, ST-039, ST-148, ST-232, UL-836, WL-952, WL-954, NA-912, NA-920, NA-922, NA-930, NA-935

What's New on the Map

New Blocks

None

New Roads

FH-040

Cutting Permit Approved Areas

None

Note: There are no new blocks and roads located along the Sunshine Coast Trail.

Logging Complete

TM-169

Road Construction Complete

ST-027, ST-035

Engineered Blocks

CH-400, ST-265

Engineered Roads

CH-402, FH-040, ST-032, ST-039

Company Update

WFP sold some land to Timberwest. It is land near the Jordan River.

Indicator 5.1.1

Indicator 5.1.1 was discussed during the last meeting and there was some questions regarding the volume that local business could purchase from WFP. In 2001 there was an old growth subcommittee that morphed into a local fibre supply subcommittee. Members went back through the minutes from these subcommittee meetings and found starting in January 2001 a discussion regarding how to arrange for fibre to be available to the local millers. They created a history from these minutes and spoke to Stuart about it. From this Stuart has written up the Indicator 5.1.1 which encompasses local sales, firewood, and biofuels.

2010 CSA Indicator Results Review

Stuart compiled the data for all of the indicators that Stuart and the group have worked on over the last three meetings. They are all complete except three of the indicators. For the three that are not complete, Lou takes from the GIS; the forest cover, what WFP has logged, and all of WFP's reforestation. So far, he has his model built but it keeps crashing on him after it runs for about three hours. He would have had it finished if he didn't run into this problem. When Stuart gets the info for the remaining three he will email it out. Stuart projected the plan as he explained on the overhead and explained the results of each indicator to the group.

Indicator 1.1.1: Stuart to email out results once Lou gets GIS model to work.

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Indicator 1.1.2: Stuart to email out results once he gets an updated 2008 DFA baseline profile.

Indicator 1.1.3: Stuart to email out results once Lou gets GIS model to work.

Indicator 1.1.4: SFO met the target for 2010. The average amount of area harvested with the retention system since the implementation of the Western Forest Strategy is 72% in the enhanced zone and 66% in the general zone. On average over the last five years 19% of the area harvested is retained in stand level retention for biodiversity.

Indicator 1.2.1: SFO met the target for 2010. The amount of area reserved for Mountain Goat, Grizzly Bear, Coastal Tailed Frog, Marbled Murrelet, and Queen Charlotte Goshawk continues to be maintained in the DFA.

Indicator 1.2.2: SFO met the target for 2010. Stuart reviewed the amount of area of habitat for Ungulate Winter Range, Grizzly Bear Polygons, and MAMU nesting habitat. MAMU nesting habitat is forecast to increase from 3259ha currently to 6897ha as the current stands continue to mature.

Indicator 1.2.3: SFO met the target for 2010. All species regenerated were native species. The majority of trees planted were Douglas-fir at 79%.

Indicator 1.3.1: SFO met the target for 2010. No genetically modified trees were planted.

Indicator 1.4.1: SFO met the target for 2010. Stuart reviewed through all of the sites that have been identified through government processes that are now protected within and adjacent to the current DFA.

Indicator 1.4.2: SFO met the target for 2010. No archeological features were identified in 2010.

Indicator 2.1.1: SFO met the target for 2010. The amount of time between when a block is logged and when there are trees growing on the site has increased slightly over last year to an average of 1.8 years over 1.3 years last year. This is because harvesting increased last year and replanting is always one year behind. This spring Rudi will be short approximately 50,000 trees because the nursery has had a problem with root disease. WFP is trying to pick up some replacement trees, but harvesting is up all over the coast so it will be difficult to get more trees. Sowing requests go in a year before the seedlings are needed so you have to guess what the year ahead will be like. Nurseries do overrun, but these trees will likely all get purchased this year.

Question: What is the legal requirement for replanting?

Six years. It is almost impossible to go less than 1.3 years.

Indicator 2.1.2: SFO met the target for 2010. The indicator that combined fire, wind, insect, and wildlife damage worked well. 2010 shows an estimated twenty-five big pockets of dead trees as well as a 3.9 hectare area affected by windthrow. The group was happy with how the indicator summarizes these issues.

Indicator 2.2.1: SFO met the target for 2010. The indicator for additions and deletions to the forest area shows deletions in 2010 for roads. 1.8% of the productive DFA landbase has been converted into

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roads. WFP tries not to go over 7% of the total area of a cutblock with roads unless there are extenuating circumstances. There is nothing listed under this indicator for the deletions due to Plutonic because Stuart needs the line work from them to enter the information. The latest boundary of the DFA will be updated when Management Plan 9 is complete.

Indicator 2.2.2: SFO met the target for 2010. The indicator for the proportion of the calculated long term sustainable harvest level that is actually harvested means how much of the Annual Allowable Cut (AAC) is being harvested. The AAC hasn't changed from the 430,019 although the number will go lower because the area that will go to Sliammon is still included. Plus Management Plan 9 completion will affect the number up or down because the change from 457,282 to 430,019 is just based on the area taken back and isn't a detailed re-analysis of the remaining DFA. The harvest level noted for last year is 466,908 plus residue because Stuart doesn't know what the residue number will be yet. There is a final number that comes from government that includes residue that will be used. It is the true official government number and it is the number that Stuart has used in the past. It will probably be about 70,000 cubic metres. WFP turned some blocks back to the government because they could not afford to log it and that amount goes into the residue amount. Stuart will probably take this volume out because the timber on that area is still standing.

Question: How come your AAC has stayed the same as when you had a lot more land including the land that now belongs to Island Timber?

We were cutting less here and more at Phillips Arm and the DFA doesn't include Phillips Arm.

Indicator 2.2.3: SFO met the target for 2010. The total percentage of brushing that was completed with herbicides was 24%. A total of 98ha was completed with individual tree methods and 9ha of targeted ground foliar.

Indicator 3.1.1: SFO met the target for 2010. There were no openings where the level of soil disturbance exceeds the level specified in the site plan.

Indicator 3.1.2: SFO met the target for 2010. For the level of downed woody debris Stuart used the target of no greater than 10m³ per hectare because that is the amount that is allowable under the provincial residue and waste manual for second growth. Anything above that amount the company has to pay for. On average 62 cubic metres of downed woody debris was left after logging per hectare in 2010. Anything that would be considered merchantable would be included in the number.

Comment: At one time 35m³ per hectare was permitted.

Now it is down to 10m³ for second growth. Old growth is a slightly higher number.

Indicator 3.2.1: SFO met the target for 2010. There was no logging in Community Watersheds in 2010.

Indicator 3.2.2: SFO met the target for 2010. There were no spills in 2010, but there was a spill two weeks ago. ST-232 at deer creek a branch hooked the main hydraulic line on an excavator. Fortunately, it was no where near any creeks. It was a reportable 100 litre spill for 2011.

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Indicator 3.2.3: SFO met the target for 2010. There was zero non-conformance issues of water quality and quantity on streams. In 2010 there were 39 MoF inspections and 89 WFP inspections. Stuart put one item on the indicator for a block out on Third Lake road – the MoF alleges that WFP used some pesticide in a pesticide free zone. It is not resolved yet although the allegation occurred a year ago. WFP is not entirely clear what or where the issue is and is sure there was no material impact.

Indicator 4.1.1: SFO met the target for 2010. Net carbon uptakes – the DFA absorbed 168,379 CO₂e tonnes of carbon in 2010.

Indicator 5.1.1: SFO met the target for 2010. The EBITDA for 2010 was 47.7 million. The net road access increase is 49 kilometres of road built last year. Recreation managed for in 2010 is the Sunshine Coast Trail at LL-057, ST-244, ST-245, and ST-246. At LL-057 the SCT was selectively harvested and in ST-245 the SCT was located within a retention area. In ST-246 PRPAWS did a reroute. In ST-334 a visual screen was left between the block and the recreation site on Lewis Lake. Local log sales to small mills shows a total of 263m³ of logs was purchased locally, minor products salvage was 887m³ in total, and biofuels was 2,214m³. WFP has twelve forest research projects on the go.

Indicator 5.2.1: SFO met the target for 2010. Investments that contribute to community sustainability include improved safety, recreation maps, management and maintenance of the canoe route, culvert replacement for fish passing on Goat Main, Salmon Society silent auction contribution, Junior Hockey, contribution to PRPAWS for SCT maintenance, Chamber of Commerce, public forestry tour, CSA certification, recreation inventory, monthly Operational Information Maps, road safety hotline, firewood for fundraising, and forest research.

Indicator 5.2.2: SFO met the target for 2010. The indicator regarding the level of investment in training and skills development shows that 42 areas were released for logging and there were 42 release packages signed off. These release packages includes all of the training for each area, plus all of the safety and environmental aspects.

Indicator 5.2.3: SFO met the target for 2010. the level of direct and indirect employment increased by 29% from 2009 to 2010.

Indicator 5.2.4: SFO met the target for 2010. Aboriginal economic opportunities include WFP hiring Sliammon and Sechelt to do all of the archeological assessments for the WFP blocks. Sliammon walks about 400 hectares per year and Sechelt about 75. Sliammon has their community forest tenure with about 50,000m³ of AAC, Sliammon woodlot with an AAC of 3000m³. Sechelt has a non-replaceable forest license on the DFA.

Indicator 5.2.5: SFO met the target for 2010. The indicator regarding the Sunshine Coast Trail lists all of the field walks, reviews, and activities that WFP takes part in to manage for the Sunshine Coast Trail as it is located within the timber harvesting landbase.

Indicator 6.1.1: SFO met the target for 2010. The indicator regarding evidence of good understanding of Aboriginal title and rights lists activities undertaken to attempt to understand this very complex item. Stuart went to a very interesting training session that highlighted how complex this issue is. In November the MoFR gave the WFP office staff another training session regarding their consultation process. Planners interact with FN people in the field on a regular basis.

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Indicator 6.1.2: SFO met the target for 2010. Stuart reviewed the information sharing completed in 2010.

Indicator 6.1.3: SFO met the target for 2010. No new information was identified in 2010.

Indicator 6.2.1: SFO met the target for 2010. Stuart reviewed the summary of TUS Recce's and AIA's completed in 2010.

Indicator 6.3.1: SFO met the target for 2010. Evidence that the organization is cooperating with other forest dependent businesses to strengthen and diversify the local economy is another evidence based indicator. Stuart supplied another table the includes the management of the canoe route, including alternate access to the trail during harvesting, the road inventory that is maintained for recreational use, the VIAs that are completed, providing access to special forest products such as firewood, recreation maps, and the road hotline.

Question: What about maintenance of recreational campsites?

Yes, I should include that.

ACTION: Stuart to add recreational campsite maintenance to Indicator 6.3.1.

Indicator 6.3.2: SFO met the target for 2010. Stuart reviewed a summary of safety initiatives from 2010. The MIR is included in this indicator. It includes Stillwater contractors and office staff and is 5.5.

ACTION: Stuart to correct MIR for final report.

Question: Are all of the contractors safe company certified as well?

Yes.

Indicator 6.3.3: SFO met the target for 2010. WFP is safe company certified and was just re-audited and scored extremely high.

Indicator 6.4.1: SFO met the target for 2010. Participant satisfaction with the public participation process uses the annual auditor meeting as the indicator - participants are satisfied.

Indicator 6.4.2: SFO met the target for 2010. Efforts to promote capacity of element and meaningful participation in general is summarized in a table showing how many meetings with the CAG and the public in general.

Indicator 6.4.3 SFO met the target for 2010. A total of eight participation efforts were made in 2010.

Indicator 6.4.4 SFO met the target for 2010. CAG continued to be informed of current events and information.

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Indicator 6.5.1 SFO met the target for 2010. The target of 50 people was far surpassed for the number of people reached through educational outreach. Items included for 2010 are CAG guest speakers, newspaper article regarding canoe route, and seedlings supplied for Aboriginal education program.

Indicator 6.5.2 SFO met the target for 2010. The recreation maps and road safety hotline were available throughout 2010.

Alternate Strategies

A review of alternate strategies was completed from the guest speakers in 2010 that relate to the indicators in the current plan. These are presentations that provided for various strategies in forest management that can be considered and lead to the strategy chosen in the current SFMP. Stuart also reviewed the updates to the alternate strategy summary as they relate to the new indicator set.

Seat Review and Vacancies

There are two openings which include the tourism seat and the contractor seat. There is an individual very interested in the contractor seat and they may be able to come for the next meeting. The group came up with a few ideas regarding new members for the tourism seat including two people who are educators.

Chair expressed concern regarding lack of Aboriginal involvement in the CAG process. It was suggested that the group should invite as guest speakers a couple of First Nations people that present an excellent talk on the history of the Theo Valley that would be of great interest to the CAG group.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 pm

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**Stillwater CSA Community Advisory Group
Western Forest Products
February 9th Attendance**

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