

**Prince Albert FMA
Forest Management Planning Process**

Core Planning Team Meeting Minutes for July 30, 2014

Location: Conf Call / Web Meeting

Time: 10:00 – 11:00 am

Pat Mackasey, Forest Service	Dave Harman, Paper Excellence
Xianhua Kong, Forest Service	Cam Brown, Forsite
Doug Braybrook, Edgewood	Jeremy Hachey, Forsite (Minutes Author)
Shawn Meisner, Carrier	Darrel Crabbe – Sask Fish and Wildlife Fed.

Minutes:

1. Review of Past Action Items
 - a. Pat to determine how/when development report will be approved (pending)
 - b. Cam to send a letter to bob re FMP timelines (done) and prepare an updated workplan (pending response from letter)
 - c. All other action items were completed.
2. Volume 1 – EA notices will be appearing in newspapers soon.
3. Development Report – Still pending due to Pulp issue that Forsite is working on for the Forest Service. Pat does not expect any changes to yield curves to be required.
4. Caribou – F&W are reviewed 20 year plan example Forsite sent out, no comments so far. **Gigi** to send comments in near future. Some communication with industry around the caribou issues is expected to occur in the fall.
5. Forest Estate Modeling (update)
 - a. Cam and Jeremy presented results of investigating inclusion of RANs/parks towards old seral and interior old requirements. Extra parks were mistakenly included in the analysis (Narrow Hills and Great Blue Heron) and even with all of them included there was only small benefits to old interior and little to no benefit to harvest levels. Group consensus was that the risks (have to replace if burnt) outweigh the benefits and that there is no desire to include them in the FMP landbase. Will be key to document this rationale in the timber supply report.
 - b. Discussed the loss of softwood over time in the transitions. Consensus reached that there is a no desire to model hardwood transition – softwood renewal practices will maintain the current stand type distribution.
 - c. Minimum harvest ages – Sakâw wishes to continue with the originally proposed MHA's because the objective criteria used is considered reasonable (min 60m³/ha min and CMAI) and the piece size reduction is not concerning (current stands are older than desired future condition). The ministry proposed MHA's could be investigated as sensitivity.
 - d. SK concerns regarding low pulp proportion could be addressed or explored as sensitivity.
 - e. **Forsite** to send response to technical review comments.

Subsequent meetings (have been sent out as outlook meeting requests):

Wed Aug 19, 2014 (930am – Conf Call/Webmeeting)

Wed Sept 17, 2014 (930am at Forest Service)

Wed Oct 15, 2014 (930am at Forest Service)

Wed Nov 19, 2014 (930am at Forest Service)

Wed Dec 17, 2014 (930am Conf Call / Web Meeting)