

Prince Albert FMA 2015 FMP Process

Core Planning Team - Meeting Minutes for May 29, 2013

Coordinates: Forest Service Office - 9:00 am

Pat Mackasey, Forest Service	Doug Braybrook, Edgewood
Chris Brown, Forest Service	John Doucette
Michael LeBlanc, Forest Service	Dave Knight, Sakâw
Ed Kwiatkowski, Carrier Forest Products	Cam Brown, Forsite
Michelle Young, Tolko	Luke Gubbels, Forsite (Minutes Author)

Minutes:

1. Review of Past Action Items (all addressed unless noted below)
 - a. Mike to send Forsite link to North Saskatchewan Watershed Plan.
 - b. Edits made to the Aboriginal Agreements section of the Volume 1 doc. Need to reference the Green Lake village allocation generally here (and later in the 'Other Allocations' section).
2. Review Timeline and Meeting Schedule
 - a. Volume 1 target June 28th first draft to Forest Service (slightly behind schedule)
 - b. Public Meeting on Volume 1, VOITS, and SGRs planned for November.
 - c. Use PAG and planning team to work on VOIT's
 - d. Mike LeBlanc leaving gov't to work for Weyco June 11. Nadine will provide assistance with finalizing the FMP standards and Doug Turner will continue drafting the NFP standards. Dave planning to invite Doug to talk to PAG about NFP at a high level.
3. Code Changes / Other Govt Initiatives
 - a. Pat has tweaked the EA protocol and sent to directors.
 - b. Code implementation timeline unknown - expect break in period once established.
 - c. Significant discussion occurred around why a revised FMP may be considered a 'Change in Development' but in the end it should not impact the FMP process. FMA holders simply need to follow the FMP guidance document and the other administrative issues will be dealt with internal to gov't (Forest Service will be the single point of contact). A key piece of this process is the commitments registry.
 - d. Woodland caribou habitat assessment and NFP guidance are still expected to be provided to Sakaw by September 30th.
4. PAG meeting update
 - a. Composition of PAG
 - i. 20 members in attendance, environmental groups did not attend due to lack of funding.
 - ii. June 27, 2013 next meeting to be held in Prince Albert – plan is to work toward an agreement on the ToR.

5. Volume 1 Issues
 - a. Forsite working on getting historical reporting on silviculture activities but records are tough to find due to FMA transition to Sakâw. Will use State of the Forest Reporting to go back prior to Sakâw ownership.
 - b. Monitoring section: John Doucette to talk to Mike MacLauchlan for a summary of work completed and write a 1 pager on key findings (useful to creation of new plan), major projects completed, and future direction.
 - c. Forest Health data; need information on past impacts. May be able to source past spruce budworm spray areas. Cam to follow up with Mark Doyle for data.
 - d. Fire boundaries and internal retention – plan is to derive a percentage of fire areas that should be retained as green wood during modeling (vs treating entire fire area as dead). Pat to provide information on the province's planned efforts to do this as part of the woodland caribou range planning initiative. Cam to look at Anderson's work.

6. Review of Previous FMP Commitments / Approval Conditions (see tables within the attached FMP – Volume 1 for updates)
 - a. FMP approval conditions
 - b. EIA approval conditions
 - c. FMP management strategies (commitments) – got as far as the end of the Planning section.

Subsequent meetings:

July 10 930am-4pm (Forest Service Office – Birch room)

Sept 12 930am-4pm (Forest Service Office – Birch room)