

Sakaw Askiy

Public Advisory Group Meeting

February 26, 2014

1. Dave Knight reviewed agenda and introductions were made.
2. Action Items from Last Meeting
 - Facilitator for PAG meetings
 - Group indicated that it was desirable to have a facilitator
 - Action – group to supply names.
 - Action – Dave Knight to speak with Susan Carr
3. Pat MacKasey – FMP Planning Team Update
 - Reviewed staged approval process
 - Indicated that feedback required from PAG
 - Pat reviewed Duty to Consult process for FMPs
 - Letters sent to First Nations and Metis Locals at outset of process.
 - Follow up phone calls made.
 - Discussion regarding providing input into Volume 1. Pat / Dave indicated that there was still time to provide input. It was suggested that sometimes document complicated to review and a lot of acronyms used.
 - Action – confirm Glossary of Terms included in documents.
4. FMP Update – Dave Knight
 - Presentation regarding progress to date.
 - Suggestion that timing of open houses “troublesome” for seasonal residents.
 - Suggestion to improve meetings – have maps displayed in communities prior to meetings (i.e. halls or town offices)
 - Engagement document being prepared by Forsite and the Forest Service will determine whether it accurately reflects engagement.
 - Suggestion – give examples of input and response.
 - Suggestion – put requests in writing and sent to Sakaw.
 - Discussion regarding non-timber values. Pat M reviewed Ministry of Environment role.
5. Presentation by Kevin Bendig
 - Kevin presented issues related to harvesting around the community of Big River
 - Many issues brought forward including
 - Riparian Standards
 - VOIT process will be place to identify variance to current practice.
 - Action - group to meet regarding RMA standard – max 7
 - Group to meet to discuss Riparian standard options – Dave, Shawn, Kerry, Gordon P, Gord O

- Impacts to tourism
- Visual aesthetics
 - Top Lake – Kevin indicated an issue with harvesting on lake south of Top
 - Action – MLOSB to investigate
 - Kevin indicated issue with cut next to Delaronde
 - Action – Carrier to follow up.
 - Pat reviewed process for standard revisions.
 - Question regarding Social / Economic Assessment for all communities.
 - Action - Dave to send information from 1997 EIA
 - Dave suggested contacting Ministry of Parks, Recreation and Sport

6. NFP – Pat M

- Pat reviewed current proposal
- Action – Event Map to be put on Sakaw website.

7. Next Meeting

- Week of April 23