



Haida Gwaii Management Council
Quarterly Meeting Minutes
November 29-30, 2018
Coast Funds Board Room, 475 W. Georgia St., Vancouver

Attendees: Management Committee: Percy Crosby, Haida Nation Representative; Tyler Bellis, Haida Nation Representative; Sharon Hadway, BC Representative; Brian Bawtinheimer, BC Representative; Warren Mitchell, Chair

HGMC Council Support: Laurie Whitehead, HGMCIC-CHN; Veronica Cadden, HGMCIC- BC; Harmony Williams, HGMC AA

Staff: Nick Reynolds, Stewardship Planning Coordinator, CHN; Christine Fletcher, Team Lead Strategic Initiatives, FLNRORD; David Stuart, Timber Supply Forester, FLNRORD; Tanisha Salomon, Communications, CHN; Marlene Liddle, ST Co-Chair (on phone), CHN; Don Cadden (on phone), RD, BCPRO, WC; Leanne Davies, Manager Policy and Engagement, Archaeology Branch FLNRORD, (on phone); Sean Muise, Stewardship Officer, FLNRORD

Guests: Derek Debiasio; Andrew Fall

Day 1: November 29, 2018

Meeting called to Order: 9:18am

A. Review and adoption of Agenda:

Agenda approved as presented

1. Timber Supply Review, Nick Reynolds CHN Stewardship Planning Coordinator; Christine Fletcher, Team Lead Strategic Initiatives, FLNRORD; David Stuart; FLNRORD; Sean Muise, Stewardship Officer, FLNRORD

a. Timeline updates

HGMC reviewed updated timeline with TSR Working Group. Timeline is extended 1.5 months and is contingent on receiving additional information i.e. Northern Goshawk; cedar partition; standards changes. It is anticipated that the HGMC will receive the Socio Economic report, Data Package and Analysis report prior to the February 2019 meeting.

b. Review of Draft Data Package

The data package will provide a snapshot of the data available at the time and will go out to HGMC in early January 2019 for their review.

c. Socio-economic discussion with Derek Debiasio

D. Debiasio conducted surveys, questionnaires and one on one interviews for the Socioeconomic Analysis framework report. Some of the topics the report summarizes are direct and indirect effects of industry; labor market; supply and demand factors; forest operators. The HGMC should receive a copy of the report in early January 2019.

d. Initial state model conditions

The TWG presented data on initial state model conditions including site index distributions, area vs. volume, and site productivity. TWG will provide recommendations for the HGMC on how to address any uncertainties.

e. Discussion regarding base case vs. sensitivity analyses

TWG discussed isolated stands of trees in bogs with low volumes, on ridgetops and in small scale slide areas with no data as unknowns for running through the model.

Decision: HGMC agreed that these be run as a sensitivity analyses.

f. Dr. Andrew Fall discussion/presentation on LEFI minimum Harvest volumes and operability analysis

A. Fall is assisting TWG to set up the TSR model and conduct preliminary analysis. A. Fall summarized draft findings on hydrological recovery (this has not been used in the past and A. Fall indicated he is not aware of any other TSR using this), natural disturbance and unrecoverable losses, and road sheds (6 scenarios will be presented)

g. preliminary base case results

Emerging Issues: Northern Goshawk, Monumental Cedar, and Cedar Partition – Discussed how to model Goshawk habitat, Monumental Cedar, CFI standards manual and how to address in the TSR

Decision: to run Goshawk foraging habitat scenarios as sensitivity analyses; also for treatment of Monumental cedar in the base case to have TWG illustrate options of: 1) using 2% netdown to reflect Monumental cedar that was retained over past years by licensees as has occurred on ground and 2) 13% based on scale data for netdown as done last for TSR

h. Public discussion paper and outreach - deferred to Day 2

2. Communication Strategy – deferred to Day 2

3. LUOO – deferred to Day 2

Meeting Adjourned: 4:35pm

Day 2: November 30, 2018

Meeting called to Order: 9:07am

1. TSR Continued

g. preliminary base case results – Continued

HGMC discussed the effect the cedar partition may have on the AAC and how this should be represented in the analysis. HGMC agreed that this be run as a base case.

h. Public discussion paper and outreach

HGMC discussed contracting a writer for the TSR Public discussion paper and has approved the Working group to move forward with this.

2. Communication Strategy: Tanisha Solomons

a. Update on fall Newsletter

Copies of Fall newsletter were printed and distributed. The next newsletter, in 6 months, will detail the specific areas being worked on for the TSR; Solutions Table and Reconciliation table relationship and protected areas.

b. update on logistical coordination of public meeting for TSR

Communications is working with the TSR working group on the timeline for public meetings.

3. Land Use Objectives Order: Nick Reynolds

a. Background and intent Document

The document is still in editing stage and awaiting John Sunde review, there may be some minor changes, otherwise the document is close to completion.

b. Summary of Changes – Licensee comments

HGMC reviewed feedback provided by two licencees regarding the background and intent document and will follow up with letters to Licencees thanking them for their input.

c. email on Northern Goshawk

HGMC reviewed an email from Becky Cadsand, Species at Risk Biologist- FLNRO, regarding the discovery of a new Northern Goshawk nest on Haida Gwaii. This has gone to the Solutions Table. HGMC has requested a follow up with spatial data information for their next meeting.

4. Protected Areas: Don Cadden (on Phone)

a. update and review of process for HGMC approvals

HGMC reviewed the Draft Protected Areas Management Plan Review and Approval Process Guide for the Haida Gwaii Management Council with Don Cadden including the application of minor and major amendments; discussed other groups to review the plan i.e. Marine Management Board, and discussed the transition of approval authority and the implication of HGMC taking responsibility for old plans. The draft new/amended Kamdis Management Plan may be ready for public review in early 2019, subject to completion of CHN internal review of last round of edits from province.

b. review of draft criteria intended to assist HGMC to determine if amendments to PAMPs are minor or major in nature

deferred to next meeting

5. Heritage Policy: Laurie Whitehead; Leanne Davies (on phone)

a. HGMC Heritage Policy Briefing note

HGMC discussed the Briefing note presented that recommended the hiring of a project manager to move forward with Heritage policy objectives. HGMC approved and requested that Leanne work with Laurie to draft a request for proposals to be advertised through SHN upon approval of HGMC.

b. Haida Gwaii Heritage and Culture Statements and Policy Framework

HGMC reviewed minor edits to the Haida Gwaii Heritage and Culture Statements and Policy Framework document and approved it, noting there may be need for revisions to timelines going forward.

c. Draft letter for Reconciliation Table

HGMC reviewed the Draft letter for Reconciliation Table provided by Sharon Hadway. Edits were made and will be recirculated to HGMC prior to February 2019 meeting.

6. Solutions Table Report – Marlene Liddle, Solutions Table Co-Chair; (on phone),

a. Quarterly Report: HGMC reviewed Solutions Table Quarterly Report. There were no questions or additional comments.

7. Administrative Topics:

a. Review and adoption of minutes from August 14-16, 2018:

Decision: Approved for posting to website, no edits.

b. Review list of Action Items:

Decision: Approved with edits and updates.

c. New Business: none

d. Next meeting date: February quarterly meeting and meeting with the Parties, February 5-7 in QCC District Office.

8. Reports

a. CHN Report – removed from agenda

b. HGMC Annual Report – approved with minor edits.

c. 2018-19 1st Quarter Budget Report – HGMC reviewed quarterly budget report. SHN Finance is in a changeover and anticipates reports to be up to date by next quarter.

Next meeting Date: February 5-7, 2018 in QCC District Office

Meeting Adjourned: 2:36 pm