

**MLOSB TSL
Forest Management Planning Process**

Core Planning Team Meeting Minutes for Jan 14, 2016

Location: Forest Service Office – Prince Albert (Spruce Room)
Time: 830-1030am

Mark Doyle, Forest Service	Rob Kennett, Forsite (by phone)
Michelle Young, MLOSB	Cam Brown, Forsite (Minutes Author)
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Minutes:

1. Review of Past Action Items:
 - None

2. Workplan / Public Consultation Plan / Terms of Reference
 - a. Current draft of Workplan/ToR was reviewed relative to the Forest Service Review comments and the following changes were made:
 - i. Deliverable dates updated and made consistent throughout document. Final FMP approval targeted for Jan 5, 2018.
 - ii. Added Ministry of Economy to list of Technical Advisors.
 - iii. Minor text edits made and Gantt chart dropped.
 - iv. Meeting locations confirmed as the Forest Service in PA (MLOSB as backup). Birch room to be used in order to get working projector.
 - v. Added information on fibre demand from the TSL area and on ways to involve stakeholders, FN and Metis groups. **Forest Service** to provide a list of the volume allocation on the TSL area.

 - b. Current draft Public Engagement Plan was reviewed relative to the Forest Service Review comments and the following changes were made:
 - i. Target plan approval date were updated
 - ii. The list of First Nation and Metis groups to be contacted to support plan development was updated to include Makaw Sahgaiehcan First Nation and the Ministikwan Lake First Nation. Other suggested by the Forest Service were not considered to be linked to the TSL area and **Mark** was going to check with govt staff if they could limit their consultation work of the same list shown in this document.
 - iii. The number/location of public sessions for presenting the Vol 1 and Vol 3 were discussed and it was felt that the four listed areas would be sufficient to meet public engagement needs. Separate meetings would also be offered to FN/Metis groups linked to the TSL area.

- iv. All other comments were no longer relevant as they pertained to the PAG ToR text that has been removed from the document at the direction of the Forest Service. There is a desire for the PAG to form and approve their own ToR. The PAG must have a ToR and it is to be included as part of the FMP. The draft FMP standard has been revised thereby removing the requirement for the Forest Service to review and approve the PAG TOR as part of the public engagement plan.
 - c. **Forsite** is to submit the revised documents by the end of Jan. After than **Mark** will send out duty of consult letters and have the documents posted on the EA branch website.
- 3. Michelle updated the group on the status of the PAG.
 - a. Letters were sent to wide list of potential participants (listed in Public Engagement doc). Good response has been received and a number of people have been confirmed. So far no First Nation or Metis groups have agreed to participate.
 - b. Michelle is to set an initial meeting date for the PAG and then it will work to finalize a terms of reference for how the group will operate.
- 4. Forest Inventory and Growth and Yield
 - a. A composite inventory dataset has been produced that uses the new SFVI (based on 2007 photos) where it exists and fills in gaps with older UTM inventory. Some small areas inside the TSL bdy are not covered by either dataset but they are either inside an IR or inside a provincial park. The portion inside the park would be helpful if MLOSB decides that Parks should be part of the landbase managed for old seral. This decision will be made at a later date.
 - b. The province's 2005 yield curves are being used as the basis for developing customized yield curves for the TSL area. Forsite has been working with Lane to develop these curves in the same manner as was done for the NW TSL and the Development Report describing this process should be submitted in Feb.
- 5. Caribou
 - a. The Sled Lake unit of the TSL is inside the SK2 caribou zone and will require a strategy in the FMP as provincial range plans are very likely not going to be in place prior to Jan 2018. A draft version of the range plan is to be sent to Env Canada mid 2017 and then legal direction on caribou management is expected at some point beyond that.
- 6. FMP Standard - Michelle expressed a desire to finalize the standard ASAP so avoid some of the challenges experienced during the development of the PA FMA FMP.

Subsequent meetings:

Tues Feb 16, 2016 (10am, Forest Service office)

Wed March 16, 2016 (10 am, Forest Service office)