

**West Island Woodlands Community Advisory Group
Aug 22, 2000
Paradise Cafe, Port Alberni**

Present:*Advisory Group Members:*

✓	Carlson, Harold	Forest recreation	✓	McKay, Pat	Independent sawmills
	Carter, Mike	Tourism	✓	McKay, Jack	Logging contractors
	Cootes Jr., Charlie	Uchucklesaht	✓	Morris, Rhonda	Provincial government
✓	Edgell, Phil	Watershed Committee		Parker, Eileen	Small business
R	Flynn, Shawn	Small woodlots		Randles, Bill	Labour
✓	Johnsen, Gary	Toquaht	✓	Swann, Gary	Regional government
	Johnson, Larry	Huu-ah-aht		Thornburgh, Jack	Environment
	Laviolette, Brian	Education/Youth	R	Touchie, Maureen	Ucluelet
✓	Lem, Tawney	Hupacasath	R	Trumper, Gillian	City government
		Bamfield	✓	Watts, David	Tseshaht
	McIntosh, John	Parks Canada			

Resource/Other:

Steve Chambers - Weyerhaeuser

Yuka Ota - Weyerhaeuser

Neil Malbon - Weyerhaeuser

Michelle Colussi - Facilitator

Diane Morrison - recorder

1. Welcome and Introductions:

Some brief remarks were made on the fatality at Franklin this week.

The Forest Practices Board audit, done last July-August, will be released shortly. The audit took place prior to Weyerhaeuser implementing its Environmental Management system. Practices were audited that have since been changed. The public document will be available to everyone.

2. Approve agenda**3. New Business****-Review Data set and forecasts (Steve)**

Six-eight indicators are still missing. They can be e-mailed to people late this week.

Indicator 1

Clarification needed for the table. Acronyms not known to some people. A legend will be provided.

If the Acceptable Variance remains N/A (not applicable) people might think that a variance is never going to be acceptable. Advisors agreed to change Variance to TBD (to be determined).

Indicator 2

Re forecast - Performance now better than 10% except for fir. Why not a forecast of 5%?

Forecast needs to take into account the elevation of species. There needs to be variance for each species.

Changed Acceptable Variance to zero. Forecast 10%.

Indicator 3

List doesn't include other areas where Weyerhaeuser is taking measures. Those special areas are dealt with in other parts of the plan. Perhaps they should be noted here.

Change Forecast to "As identified". Advisors will identify other areas to be added.

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Indicator 4

Forecast now reads "80% in 40 years to allow for natural disturbances."

Indicator 5

Objective now 30% (Changed Aug. 16 meeting)

Acceptable Variance now +11%

Forecast 40%

Start at 40% and look at it. Location of the blocks is significant.

It would be interesting to have an annual inventory.

Maintaining the status quo of 40% is a great accomplishment.

Indicator 7

Numbers in table don't add up. Weyerhaeuser to correct information.

Indicator 8

Over time, the gap between current management programs and at-risk species should be zero.

The research and the potential at-risk species grows all the time.

Could the gap be reduced by one per year?

Forecast now 20

Indicator 9

It would be politically incorrect to forecast an increase.

Indicator 10

Forecast now "defined by need."

Indicator 12

A legend will be added to the table listing acronyms.

Indicator 13

Deals with genetic diversity. For every two trees planted, there will be one naturally regenerated.

Forecast 50% of area.

Indicator 19

First three paragraphs under Data Protocol removed (misplaced information).

Indicator 24

Why not harvest 100 per cent of infected timber to decrease risk of infection?

Forecast now 100%

Indicator 31

Comments about specific roads being maintained. Arrowsmith and Toquart were mentioned. If there is no harvest activity, who pays to maintain the road? Keeping a road passable may conflict with FPC. There are ways of deactivating a road and still leaving it passable.

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Specific roads will be listed and discussed at a future WIWAG meeting.

Indicator 32**FLAG**

Look at addition discussed at Aug 16 meeting. I.e. "Company willing to discuss specific situations where recommended reserve zone management may be better than FPC."

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Want discussion of adding language around working new technical and scientific data into the plan.

Indicator 37

RAMS has data for Nahmint.

Indicator 38

Forecast now reads "All watersheds assessed and results incorporated into FDP."

Indicator 41**FLAG**

Future discussion about harvesting at specific parks. Discussion about harvesting right up to boundary or leaving buffer, etc.

Indicator 43

Maintain status quo . Increase sites as identified.

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Future discussion about meaning of "maintain." Objective states maintain but Forecast only states increase. Some felt it was implied that if sites are increased they will be maintained.

Indicator 44**FLAG**

WIWAG needs a communications plan in conjunction with Alberni Forestry Visitor Information Centre. Future discussion about the website (whose website, who will maintain it, who will develop the content...)

Indicator 45

Discrepancy in the numbers. Jack McKay to discuss numbers with Weyerhaeuser.

Indicator 49**FLAG**

If the goal is to maximize local economic activity, existing charts does not give the right information.

Fine tune the chart to provide information on local supplies purchased.

Indicator 51**FLAG**

Two Cowichan Bands recently identified within DFA

Write letter of invitation to Cowichan Bands to join WIWAG process.

Indicator 60

Weyerhaeuser to address responses from First Nations regarding FDPs.

Indicator 62

This research will be part of the information available during the FDP process.

Indicator 65

Chips are not included in this figure.

Needs additional language to clarify data re. entrepreneurs (Pacifica, Weyerhaeuser, other customers, etc.)

New Business (continued)**-audit reps (Sept. 19-22)**

Michelle will be in touch with various advisors about appointments with the auditors. Auditors have specified certain sectors they wish to speak with.

-meeting schedule/tour?

Advisors will be canvassed about what they would like to see on a tour and possible times.

4. Old Business

-Weyerhaeuser comments on Wallenheit and Hopwood input (Tawney)

SFM Plan document will be available at the Alberni Forestry Visitors Centre at Harbour Quay.

NEXT MEETING

November. Date to be determined.

