

# MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF CHEAKAMUS COMMUNITY FOREST BOARD OF DIRECTORS THURSDAY, APRIL 25, 2019 STARTING AT 2:00 - 4:30 P.M.

#### RMOW Municipal Hall – Piccolo Room 4325 Blackcomb Way, Whistler, BC V8E 0X5

#### PRESENT:

Chair, Jeff Fisher, Squamish Nation Kerry Mehaffey, Lil'wat Nation John Grills, RMOW Arthur DeJong, RMOW

Forest Manager, Tom Cole, RPF Administrator, Heather Beresford

#### **REGRETS:**

Greg Bikadi, Lil'wat Nation

#### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by J. Grills Seconded by A. DeJong

**That** Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors adopt the Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors regular meeting agenda of April 25, 2019.

CARRIED

#### **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

Moved by J. Grills Seconded by K. Mehaffey

That Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors adopt the Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors regular meeting minutes of January 24, 2019.

CARRIED

#### PRESENTATIONS

- 1. Board Change Chief Bill Williams is no longer representing the Squamish Nation on the Board of Directors. A replacement has not yet been confirmed.
- 2. Forest Manager Forest Manager report discussion led by Tom Cole, CCF Forest Manager. Report
  - A. 2018 Production Update
    - a. Tentative 12,160 m3. Production report still waiting for final information from LFV and Sqomish.
  - B. Q1 Report (See Appendix A)
    - a. 7,159 m3 recovered from Cheakamus Lake Road
    - Forest Stewardship Plan public review completed, no comments submitted except from FWAC. Forest Manager requested 6 month extension.
    - c. Carbon Project analysis completed by Brinkman Climate. AAC is averaging 65%. Investigating any implications for carbon project.
    - Access Management Basalt Valley connection road permit application put on hold to address questions from Recreation Sites and Trails BC officer.
    - e. Fuel Reduction Cheakamus Lake Road closed until May 15. May have temporary closures after that date. Road to be left in better condition than when project started using funds from log returns. Cheakamus 04 funding approved by FESBC. Sqomish Forestry will start it in autumn.
    - f. MOTI Cal-Cheak site as a debris storage/rehabilitation site CCF will have to lead approval process, not RMOW.
    - g. Accounting discussion around current accounting progress.
    - h. Basalt Valley Road/Loggers Lake Road Cheakamus Crossing Phase II housing development overlays the Loggers Lake road ROW. CCF considering regaining access to FSR road alignment through quarry into Basalt Valley. Will require ~100m of new road to be built to join to existing road system. Road permit application on hold until Information is provided to Recreation Sites & Trails BC regarding ongoing public access and movement pattern changes.

ACTION: T. Cole and D. Jackson organize meeting with FLNRO DM and other stakeholders to sort out.

- C. Project Work Plan Draft (See Appendix B)
  - a. 2019 Harvesting:
    - i. CK 15 16: confirm by June 15 is these sites will proceed.
       ii. CK 09 some questions regarding wood quality. Not confirmed for 2019.
      - iii. Fee 02 not confirmed for 2019.
      - iv. Powder 07 confirm by June 15.
  - b. Fuel Reduction: FESBC confirmed new funding of \$628,000 (75% of project cost) for 2019/20 but this is half of the request

submitted for Cheakamus04 and Rainbow. Cheakamus road completion is a priority. Need to decide on other areas besides C04. CCF will provide opportunity for public to recover firewood from the debris pile. CCF and RMOW should begin to bring WB on board with sharing wildfire mitigation costs on CRA.

#### J. Grills left at 3:04 p.m.

- c. Multi-Year Work Plan:
  - i. Combines actions from all other plans. Need to prioritize the list.
  - ii. The 4-10 year plan was discussed as a planning tool. May have data from carbon project to show THLB.
  - iii. Add strategic plan action to Forest Manager work plan
  - WIF Discussion re: future management responsibility of WIF. It is still a First Nations' cultural management area.
     ACTION: RMOW, FLNRO and CCF to discuss.
  - v. CCF Chair to monitor target dates.
  - vi. Provide 2019 PEL to both operating partners.
- 3. CCF 2019 Admin Budget Budget reviewed at January Board meeting. Since then, GST back payment added, carbon sales/contract costs updated Silviculture numbers need to be updated by Forest Manager. Include liabilities on roads and burning.

Moved by J. Fisher Seconded by A. DeJong

**That** Cheakamus Community Forest Board of Directors adopt the 2019 CCF Administration budget as amended by recommended silviculture budget adjustments.

#### CARRIED

Community Benefit Project – approved in budget but wait until harvesting completed before making a commitment. **ACTION**: Consider benefit project at September Board meeting.

#### 4. Governance Policy As per the CCF Board calendar, the governance policy is scheduled for annual review at the April board meeting. Board reviewed the policy and determined no changes necessary at this time.

5. New Business

#### Open House date

- Schedule for June 15 30, 2019.
- Provide a road management update, harvesting plans

FESBC press release

• FESBC prepared a press release regarding the Cheakamus Lake Road wildfire fuel thinning project. Due for release May 8.

Background documents regarding old growth harvesting and CCF benefits

• T. Cole prepared documents outlining rationale for old growth harvesting and community benefits provided by the CCF. Can be added to website. **ACTION**: BOD review the documents and determine how to use.

2017 Annual Indicators Report

• T. Cole has prepared a draft. Discussion regarding what is common to CCF report and BC Community Forest Association report and what is specific to CCF. Consider preparing a simplified version for posting online/public release. **ACTION**: Board to review draft indicators report.

#### ADJOURN

Moved by K. Mehaffey

**That** the Cheakamus Community Forest Board adjourn the April 25, 2019 Board of Directors' meeting at 4:09 p.m.

CARRIED

PRESIDENT: Jeff Fisher

RECORDING SECRETARY: Heather Beresford

### **APPENDIX A:**

# **QTR 1 March 2019**

**CCF Board Report:** Cheakamus Community Forest To: Board of Directors: From: Tom Cole RPF (604) 932-7616

A. Annual Operating Plan / Budget:		
Item:	Update	Status
Production and Revenue Update	Winter Fuel Thinning between January and March recovered 7,159 from the Cheakamus Lake FSR (C03).	34% of AAC

B. Strategic Initia	atives Update: (prior to strategic plan implementatio	n)
Item:	Update	Status
Forest Stewardship Plan: • Replacement / Extension	The replacement document has completed its Public Review and Comment period. No written comment other than the FWAC review document were received. Currently an extension request has been submitted to cover the 6 months that may be required for the FLNRORD review period. Two applications, one for FSR rationalization and the other for CP N03-Rainbow will need either the extension granted or replacement approval. FLNRORD will not review document until final submission. Lilwat Land and Resources provided a response letter April 2, 2019. Squamish Nation have not provided input. Tsleil- Waututh Nation have in the past deferred to Squamish Nation direction on Cultural Heritage Resource protection. The final document will be prepared by mid-May with response to FWAC comments and the subcommittee will review prior to submission Requirements: 1. FSP final revisions – Invasive Species, Clarity on Reserve Zone, Special Mgmt. Zones 2. Response to written comments(FWAC) 3. Confirm First Nation consultation 4. Submit to District Manager, review, revision, approval.	Slightly Behind schedule, target for replacement July 1 <sup>st</sup> 2019
CCF Strategic Plan:	<ul> <li>Draft Strategic Plan outline: is now prepared and circulated</li> <li>Two documents on Community Engagement Drafted:         <ol> <li>Community Benefits of Community Forest</li> <li>Old Forest Rationale</li> <li>Work plan prepared and broken down into Annual and Ongoing elements</li> </ol> </li> </ul>	On schedule
Carbon Project:	Project being advanced by Robert Seaton. Update as follows:	On schedule

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<ul> <li>Analysis and</li> </ul>	1. Carbon Supply Analysis is complete, but has	
Project Status	not yet been shared.	
Report	2. Underperformance of AAC to be discussed	
	prior to report	
	<ol><li>Modelling of Fuel Reduction may be</li></ol>	
	required.	
	4. Contract now signed with ERI Project Verifier	
Access Management:	Road permit amendment was approved April 18th for all	Slightly behind
Road Policy	backlog roads and those roads needed in the short term.	schedule
	The <b>basalt valley connection</b> application was rescinded.	
	RSTBC Manager and District Manager are to approve any	
	development within the Whistler Interpretive Forest. The	
	RSTBC manager has now been made aware of the	
	Community Forest direction on establishing industrial access.	
	A. McCrone said verbally that he needs to better understand	
	how the Phase II crossing expansion and public access to	
	trail and loggers lake will be addressed.	
	Nineteen Mile was also pulled from the permit application as	
	it has a FSR status issue still unresolved by District Office.	
	There is no operational issue as a result.	
	The <b>FSR Rationalization</b> application has been submitted for approval. Please be aware this may prompt the Engineering	
	Officer to issue public notices regarding deactivation of those	
	sections beyond which the CCF has no need.	
	Refer to Work plan for Road Policy and RBAMP	
	implementation schedule. (PRESS RELEASE or NEWS	
	STORY?)	
	Follow up to the Rotary Club letter is required. They continue	Ongoing
Whistler	to engage in Interpretive Forest signage refresh and	
Interpretive Forest	installations. Thinning has re-created the valley view and	
	crater view lookouts. Trails have been disturbed and re-	
	routing may be needed.	
Maintenance	Requirements:	
	1. Fuel reduction program will require	
	coordination of spring clean-up of trails,	
	roadway and completion of fine fuel disposal.	
	2. Interpretation of fuel reduction program at	
	various points. Signage required.	
	3. FWAC field trip should include RSTBC and	
	BC Parks manager in the spring-summer	
	<ol><li>Road grading coordination with FNRORD so</li></ol>	
	that double grading on completed sections is	
	accomplished.	

# C. Project Status -Retention Logging Update:

Area/Volume Forecast	Operating Partner	Comment/Notes/Issues	
All areas are snowbound, refer to Project Work Plan and Assignments April 2019			

Compartment	Area	Operating Partner	Comment/Notes/Issues
Cheak-03	39.1ha	Lil'wat Forestry	Fuel Thinning Phase – 95% complete Log Recovery Phase – 100% complete Roadside Debris Disposal – 70% complete Infield Chipping Program – Scheduled Monitoring Report – field work complete waiting on interim report Rehab of skid trails and final debris raking – scheduled for May 1 <sup>st</sup> Bike Trail Rehab- Meeting with WORCA planned early May Interpretive Viewpoints to be cleaned up and improved June 1 <sup>st</sup> Road Closure in place until the May long weekend.
Cheak-04	33.7ha	Sqomish Forestry	Scheduled for October start up, again with road closure in place.

E. Financial Information:				
Item:	Update	Status		
Payables	Project CCF-OH and Levies have been collected from all 2018 Production. No reporting from Lilwat on 2018 production.	Online		
Forest Manager	Work plan priorities. FESbc time is applied to delivery allowance.	Tracked		
Carbon Project	No billing to date	Tracked		
Fuel Reduction	Fuel Thinning is paid out 100%, with both Manual and Mechanical set at \$8900/ha. To date no log recovery report or debris costing estimates have been provided.	Partial Costs Claimed		

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#### APPENDIX B

#### DRAFT for Board Review – April 25, 2019



Project Work Plan, Assignments and Action Plan for 2019 1. Cut Control Statement

First year of new cut control commencing 2019 (21,000m3/yr)

#### 2. 2019 Harvesting – Retention Logging

Project	Scope	Assignment	Comments
C15-C16	3,200 m3	SF	<b>CP Ready</b> : Additional field work and assessme by June 1 <sup>st</sup> . Project decision will include deactivation of 2018, and 2016 logging areas.
T01	11,250 m3	SF	<b>CP Ready:</b> Opening up Tusk Mainline is require prior to field work, logging plan development an by June 1 <sup>st</sup> .
Powder-07 (Revised)	6840 m3	LFV	<b>CP Ready</b> : Review proforma is required. Optio cost share with Blackcomb Snowmobiles on bridging and drainage structures.
Ck-09	11,500 m3	Split between LF and SF	<b>CP Ready:</b> Basalt connector cost recovery issu Option to combined with Phase II Xing clearing program late fall 2019. Upper area to be asses from C15.
Fee - 02	3,200 m3	LFV	CP application and Logging Plan required.
Total	35,990 m3		

#### 3. 2019 Fuel Reduction Program

Note:

- *i.* Priority treatment area assignment is under development H.Beresford-Blackwell.
- ii. Funding request was for \$1,975,143 (75%/25%) or 113.6 ha.
- iii. Verbal from D.Conly April.24.2019 was FESBC \$628,000 for 2019/20, making a revised budget of \$786,000 or 54 ha.

Project	<u>Scope</u>	Assignment	<u>Comments</u>
C03	39.1 ha for	LFV	Underway, Log recovery completed. Debris
	7,130 m3		disposal and cleanup by June 2019.
			Budget \$14,500 per ha
			FESbc \$488,053
			RMOW \$162,684
C04	13.0 of the	SF	CP ready, Balance of the 2018 FESBC/RMOW
	ha		FESbc: \$165,000
	2,405 m3		RMOW \$42,000
W08	9.8	LFV	CP ready,-subject to FESBC Funding 2019
N01	25.0	LFV	CP ready and in place until Oct 2020-subject to
			FESBC Funding 2019
N03	TBD	SF	CP submitted but not yet approvedsubject to
			FESBC Funding 2019

C02	25.6	TBD	No CP in place, excludes Cultural Site – timing restriction would require Winter 2019/20
N05	TBD	TBD	Treat around Phase II Xing prior to construction
Total	9,535 m3		Balance of Ha Planned = 92.9 ha

#### 4. Forest Manager's Workplan:

Ref#	Project	Participants	Target Date	Status
2017-1a	RBAMP Table 4 (S5-2 and S8-1) Road Permit and FSR Applications	T.Cole	June 15, 2019	Ongoing
2017-2	RBAMP Table 4 Negotiate road use agreement with road users & convene annual road meeting	T.Cole	Sept. 30, 2019	Ongoing
2017-3	RBAMP Table 4 Road Ledger for all RP roads to document inspections and maintenance tracking:	T.Cole	move to Annual Workplan	Completed
2017-4	RBAMP Table 4 ID key roads to improve access	T.Cole / RSTBC RMOW	Dec.15, 2020	None
2017-5	RBAMP Table 4 Synchronize trail and vehicle counters RMOW/FLNRORD/RSTBC	T.Cole	Dec.15, 2020	None
2017-6	RBAMP Table 4 Annual Report on Roads	T.Cole	Indicators Report	Annually, 2018 by June
2018-1	Forest Manager's contract, POP vs Employee Registration	T.Cole/J.Fisher	May 30, 2019	Ongoing
2018-2	Forest Stewardship Plan – Replacement	T.Cole/J.Fisher	July 1 <sup>st</sup> 2019	Initiated
2018-3	Carbon Audit and Reporting	T.Cole/R.Seator	Sept.15, 2019	Initiated
2018-4	Update 4-10 year plan	T.Cole	TBD	Options discussion
2019-01	Basalt Valley Connection	T.Cole/Duane Jackson	Sept. 15, 2019	Initiated
2019-02	Strategic Plan Implementation Schedule	T.Cole and Boai	Sept. 15, 2019	Discussed
2019-03	Whistler Interpretive Forest – Status	T.Cole/H.Beresf	July 15, 2019	
2019-04	FESbc-Press Release	T.Cole/H.Beresf	May 15, 2019	Drafted
2019-05	WORCA Trails MOU-Engagement on C01	T.Cole	May 30, 2019	Initiated
2019-05	Cal-Cheak Gravel Restoration and Afforestation Project-MOTI MOU	T.Cole/A.Tucker	June 15, 2019	Discussed

Annual Workp	Annual Workplan:					
Ref#	Program or Task	Target Date	Status			
<b>Operations &amp;</b>	Post-harvest Retention confirmation surveys on C15 and	May 30				
Monitoring	Road deactivation plan and implementation schedule	June 15				
Authorizations	CP T01, C09 - approved	April 11	Completed			
	CP N03 – submitted, may require FSP extension	April 12	Submitted			
	Submission CP C01 and C02	Sept 15				

	FSR rationalization – Road Permit Submission	April 18	Submitted
Annual Reportir	2017 Indicators Report 2018 Indicators Report	March 15 July 15	Completed
Results & Repor	2018 activities and denudations Road Inspection and Maintenance Ledger	May 30 Sept 15	
FWAC Review 8 Response	Respond to 2019 Harvesting Plan and Information Format Field Trip Spring Fall Field Trip	April 30 May 6 TBD	Drafted
	Terrestrial Ecosystem Mapping layer Road history layer Slope >60% theme Recreation Trail Layer	April 5 April 5 June 1 July – RTASMS?	Completed Completed
Financial Repor	2018 Financial Statements 2018 Production and Financial Report 2018 Silviculture Account and Liability	June 15 June 15 June 15	

## 5. 2019 Planning, Engineering & Layout (PEL) Work Plan Required

Ha	Operating Partner	Work Required in 2019
15	SF	Expansion of development as shown on Annual Development Plan and extension into C09 may be possible by adverse road development. Logging plan and Px required.
25 Ha	LFV has deferred project, SF will review to see if the lower half has a better chance in marginal markets.	Field boundaries and internal marked retention will require refreshing. Logging Plan fully laid out and tree retention marked except for a small area of very High Ret Area if skid trail connector was to be established. Revised Logging Plan and Px required.
15 Ha	LFV Lower	Subject to Basalt Valley connection, logging plan and Px required. Field investigation required
22 Ha	SF	Regain access, road modification and drainage plan required. Field layout of projected development, Logging Plan, Px required.
6 Ha	LFV	Logging Plan and Px required.
18 Ha	LFV	Px and development costs decision required
Currently Deferred	LFV	T Cole to re-engage WORCA and WB. Report unsanctioned trail to C&E. Visual Modelling and field layout required. Report back to Board on opportunity and potential visual outcomes. Access through CRA to be confirmed.
	15 25 Ha 15 Ha 15 Ha 22 Ha 22 Ha 6 Ha 18 Ha Currently	15       SF         25 Ha       LFV has deferred project, SF will review to see if the lower half has a better chance in marginal markets.         15 Ha       LFV Lower         15 Ha       SF Upper         22 Ha       SF         6 Ha       LFV         18 Ha       LFV         Currently       LFV