

Evaluation Workshop – Developing Guidance for Routine Evaluations

Jan. 27, 2004

Location: Coast Hotel, Victoria

Purpose of the workshop:

To prepare recommendations regarding how to develop and implement routine evaluations.

Background: As a precursor to the application of widespread routine evaluations, three values (riparian, soils, stand-level biodiversity) were chosen as a basis for gaining experience in developing indicators and implementing the evaluations. The results of these three projects will serve as an experience base for preparing recommendations for future routine evaluations.

Format:

This workshop is designed to provide the teams that developed the indicators and the teams that tested the indicators for the three trial values an opportunity to present the results of their experience. These results will be discussed in the workshop and summarized into recommendations for conducting routine evaluations. The presentations and discussion will focus on the following:

1. Developing indicators for routine evaluations – what did we learn? What worked and what didn't? What would we advise future teams regarding how best to develop indicators?
2. Implementing routine evaluations (components of implementation include: training, field activities, data management, quality assurance, analysis and interpretation, etc.) – what did we learn? What worked and what didn't? What would we advise future teams regarding how best to implement these kinds of evaluations?
3. Appropriate use of routine evaluations – what did we learn? What role can these types of evaluations play? What kind of issues / questions can be effectively addressed with these types of evaluations? What are their limitations or shortcomings? Recommendations regarding how routine evaluations should be used.
4. Revising / refining indicators – what did we learn? Recommendations regarding refining indicators

Objectives:

1. To share the experience gained in the riparian, soils and stand-level biodiversity projects.
2. To translate the learning from the three projects into recommendations regarding routine evaluations.

Product Desired:

A set of recommendations for developing and implementing routine evaluations.

Timing:

Jan. 27 8:30 am – 5:00 pm Lunch is provided

AGENDA

Jan. 27

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| 8:30 – 8:40 | Welcome, introductions, objectives of the workshop | |
| 8:40 – 9:00 | Plans and objectives regarding Routine Evaluations | |
| | FRPA Resources Evaluation Program | Peter Bradford |
| | Forest Practices Board | Steve Chatwin |
| 9:00 – 10:00 | Presentation of the results of indicator development: | |
| | Riparian indicators – what did we learn? | Peter Tschaplinski |
| | Soil indicators – what did we learn? | Shannon Berch |
| 10:00 – 10:20 | coffee | |
| 10:20 – 11:20 | Presentation of the results of implementation and testing: | |
| | Riparian and soils – what did we learn? | Kevin Edquist / Steve Tribe |
| 11:20 – 12:20 | Presentation of the results of the stand level biodiversity project: | |
| | Indicator development – what did we learn? | Nancy Densmore |
| | Implementation / Testing - what did we learn? | Bryce Bancroft |
| 12:20 – 1:15 | lunch (provided) | |
| 1:15 – 2:00 | Developing indicators: | |
| | Group discussion and synthesis of recommendations – guidance to future teams developing indicators | |
| 2:00 – 2:45 | Implementation: | |
| | Group discussion and synthesis of recommendations – guidance to future teams implementing routine evaluations | |
| 2:45 – 3:00 | coffee | |
| 3:00 – 3:45 | Appropriate use of routine evaluations: | |
| | Group discussion and synthesis of recommendations – guidance to future teams regarding the use of routine evaluations | |
| 3:45 – 4:30 | Refinement / revision of indicators | |
| | Group discussion and synthesis of recommendations – guidance to future teams regarding how best to refine / revise indicators | |
| 4:30 – 5:00 | Wrap up and next steps | |
| 5:00 | Adjourn | |

Participants

	<u>Indicator development</u>	<u>Implementation / test</u>
Riparian Project	Peter Tschaplinski	Kevin Edquist
	Dan Hogan	Steve Tribe
	Steve Chatwin	Derick Tripp
	Richard Thompson	Clare Vincent
Soils Project	Shannon Berch	Rick Trowbridge
	Chuck Bulmer	Steve Tribe
	Mike Curran	Bob Kopp
Stand-level biodiversity Project	Nancy Densmore	Bryce Bancroft
	Wendy Bergerud	
	Peter Bradford	
Others	Brian Nyberg	Chris Mosher
	Gerry Still	
	Shirley Mah	
	Laurie Kremsater	
Future Project Leaders	Kathy Paige Garth Webber Atkins Les Swain Jacques Marc	
Facilitation	Rick Ellis	
Report Preparation	Bill I'Anson	

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