Chilliwack District Forest Management Leadership Team
Fraser Room, Chilliwack Forest District Office
June 29, 2010
11 am to noon

In Attendance:

- Co-chair, Allan Johnsrude, District Manager
- Co-chair Brian Taylor, President, Fraser TSA Cooperative Association
- Ed McWaters, consultant, EJM Forest Management
- Debora Soutar, consultant, Madrone Environmental Services Ltd.
- Jack Sweeten, Chilliwack Forest District
- Ralph Schroeder, Chilliwack Forest District
- Doug Campbell, Chilliwack Forest District
- Terry Sullivan, BC Timber Sales
- Kim Allan, TFL 26 (Mission)

Allan reviewed the Terms of Reference of District Forest Management Leadership Team (FMLT) Feb 24. Meetings must have value and be run efficiently. The need for professional reliance will continue to be improved and streamlined. The province is encouraging district forums.

Allan reviewed the Objectives of Feb 24.
Jack Sweeten sits on the Coast Region FRPA Implementation Team (CRIT).
John Pichugin sits on the Operational Issues Forum (OIF).
Local issues can be brought forward to higher levels and information from higher levels can be communicated at the local level.

Ed is participating to stay informed.
Kim indicated the meetings need to have value in order to justify his participation.
Allan stated a need to build on overlapping interests.

There was discussion about membership/participation in the FMLT. Cheryl Power was invited to represent the woodlot association. Dave Clarke was also proposed for woodlots. John Pichugin of Teal Cedar Products Ltd. and John Gow of Lakeside Pacific would like to participate. First Nations participation is important and Matt Wealick and David Allan were suggested. Adrien Hooten could represent consultants if Ed McWaters not available. Leonard Feldes is expected to participate. Dorman/Tamihi not available. Ministry of Environment should probably be represented and suggested names were Greg George and Cliff Nietfelt.

Brainstorming to identify local issues for future meetings:

- Disconnect between planning activities and implementation of operations. What is role of professional in implementation?

- RFT and RPF roles
- Fires and reforestation – improve productivity. (linked to TSA level goals)
- Innovation e.g. planting of alternate species (Pw, Ss)
- Public education/forestry promotion at the District level
- Digital information available to support professional reliance e.g MapView, Google Earth
- Road use permits, road use agreements – practical understanding of responsibility
- Recreation sites and trails – practical understanding of responsibility
- Information sharing & coordination of planning between licensees
- Interactions with public as professionals
- Operational efficiencies e.g. one FSP for district
- Professional due diligence and rationales when working outside guidelines
- District priorities for FIA funding
- Sources of other funds
- District Steering committee – could be existing Fraser TSA Cooperative Association?

FMLT will aim to find a balance between resolving issues within a meeting and working on topics outside of the meeting. Subgroups could address some issues. Plan to meet approximately four times a year.

Action Items:

- Team members to comment on the generic Terms of Reference of Feb 24 toward more specific for Chilliwack District before next meeting.
- Team members to be prepared to select top 3 topics after some discussion at next meeting.
- Invite Greg George, Matt Wealick and Cheryl Power to join team.