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All-Committee Meeting Summary

April 12th, 2012, 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Meeting Purpose and Format

The purpose of the meeting was to 1) provide an update on SLIPP progress in 2011-12 and draft SLIPP plans for 2012-13; and 2) solicit feedback on SLIPP's plans for the coming year.

The format of the morning plenary included an overview of SLIPP progress on the implementation of the SLIPP Strategic Plan, followed by updates and question and answer sessions on the following topics:

- Water Quality
- Sustainable Shoreline Development
- Recreation Management
- Education, Compliance and Enforcement

Three concurrent afternoon workshops were organized to solicit input on SLIPP's 2012-13 priorities and plans in each of the three SLIPP goal areas (Water Quality, Recreation Management and Sustainable Shoreline Development).

Meeting Summaries

These notes summarize the presentations made to all SLIPP committees in the morning plenary session. The summaries of the three concurrent afternoon workshops are captured in separate meeting summaries posted on the [SLIPP website](#).

SLIPP Overview

- 100% of the strategies within SLIPP's Strategic Plan are being implemented to varying degrees
- The new [Steering Committee for 2012](#) was ratified on January 31st, 2012
- Public Advisory Committees are in place for three SLIPP focus areas (Water Quality, Sustainable Shoreline Development and Recreation Management)
- The RAPP ("Report all Poachers and Polluters") is established for BC. Please report all known or suspected violations of fisheries, wildlife, or environmental protection laws to the RAPP line at 1-877-952-7277 or online at www.env.gov.bc.ca/cos/rapp/form.htm
- The meeting presentation may be viewed or downloaded the SLIPP website [here](#).

Water Quality Updates

- SLIPP's first year of coordinated water quality monitoring was a success and had the following focus and preliminary results:
 - Initiatives included:
 - Continued testing of drinking water intakes, swimming beaches and houseboat grey water
 - Monitoring of algae bloom indicators
 - Research on influence of 2010 sockeye salmon run
 - Assessment of nutrient and contaminant loadings from all tributaries into Mara and Shuswap lakes
 - Preliminary results included:
 - Large tributaries such as Shuswap River generally contribute more nutrients to the Shuswap Lake system than smaller streams, even if the concentrations of nutrients from the tributary is low



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- Increased organic Nitrogen was observed in the lake water column, particularly in the main arm of the lake. This is likely due to the 2010 salmon run.
- Strengthened partnerships among agencies, First Nations, community and stewardship organizations, and industry in the delivery of the program
- Launched interactive [water quality monitoring map](#) on the SLIPP website
- A 2011 SLIPP Water Quality Results Report will be published in summer 2012 on the SLIPP website
- The 2012/13 Water Quality Monitoring Plan is guided by the three-year monitoring plan approved in February 2011 and the results of 2011-12 monitoring activities
- The Water Quality Update presentation may be viewed or downloaded from the SLIPP website [here](#).

Sustainable Shoreline Development Updates

- A range of shoreline initiatives were implemented in 2011-12:
 - Improved development application review process using the [Shoreline Management Guidelines](#)
 - Enhanced on-line [watershed maps](#) (including detailed information on fish habitats)
 - Conducted literature review of Shuswap fish habitat
 - Launched Shoreline Restoration Project
 - Working in partnership with landowners fronting important fish habitat areas, SLIPP removed concrete boat ramps and re-distributed large man-made rock piles located on Crown Land and restored the Crown foreshore to its natural state
 - Foreshore Habitat Inventory Mapping project (2007) revealed a great number of modified shoreline sites in the Shuswap system: large man-made rock piles, foreshore/riparian vegetation removal, infilling, abandoned docks, boat launches, retaining walls, drainage/creek alterations
 - Launched the Sicamous Narrows Inventory project
 - Purpose is to ensure consistency with Sicamous Narrows Management Plan and authorizations regarding the use and occupation of Crown land, evaluate impacts of marinas/docks/utilities to the environment, and aid in future management strategies
- The Sustainable Shoreline Development Update presentation may be viewed or downloaded from the SLIPP website [here](#).

Recreation Management Plan Updates

- A project plan to complete the Shuswap Recreation Management Plan by summer 2013 was developed
 - The water-based plan for Shuswap, Little Shuswap, Mara and Adams Lakes will encompass the economic, environmental and social dimensions of recreation
- A Current State Analysis Report of Recreation in the Shuswap was drafted to support the development of the Recreation Management Plan
 - It explores the variety of recreational users, types, values, assets and issues in the Shuswap watershed
- The Recreation Management Plan Update presentation may be viewed or downloaded from the SLIPP website [here](#).

Education, Compliance and Enforcement Updates

- SLIPP's emphasis is placed foremost on education and outreach, followed by compliance promotion, and enforcement when necessary
- 2011 and 2012 priorities focussed on boating safety, shoreline care, and environmental stewardship



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- Key initiatives include:
 - Lake patrols
 - Outreach, public meetings, workshops, boat shows
 - SLIPP website and information materials
- The Education, Compliance and Enforcement Update presentation may be viewed or downloaded from the SLIPP website [here](#).

For more details on each of these four areas, please refer to the presentations or contact info@slippbc.com.

Next Steps

- SLIPP's 2012-13 plans will be implemented incorporating feedback received at this meeting
- Focused communications with Public Advisory Committees and the Steering Committee will take place as needed throughout the year
- SLIPP updates and notices will be posted to the SLIPP website regularly – please visit often
- SLIPP newsletters will be issued one or twice a year to all SLIPP committees and public in the database
- For information or questions, please contact info@slippbc.com and your e-mail will be routed to the appropriate SLIPP Team Member. We aim to respond to all requests within a week. If your request is urgent, please contact 250 314-9660

Next Meeting

The next SLIPP All-Committee meeting is planned for spring 2013.

Attendance

The following Committee members were in attendance on April 12th, 2012:

Steering Committee Member	Organization
Chair, Director Bacigalupo	Columbia-Shuswap Regional District
Councillor Arnouse	Shuswap Nation Tribal Council
Mayor Cooper	City of Salmon Arm
Director Martin	Columbia-Shuswap Regional District
Director Milobar	Thompson-Nicola Regional District
Director Morgan	Columbia-Shuswap Regional District
Director Talbot	Columbia-Shuswap Regional District
Mayor Trouton	District of Sicamous
Ray Nadeau	Public Advisory Committee representative
<i>Regrets</i> , Director Anderson	Thompson-Nicola Regional District
<i>Regrets</i> , Director Cyr	North Okanagan Regional District
<i>Regrets</i> , Dave Nordquist	Shuswap Nation Tribal Council
<i>Regrets</i> , Director Pearase	North Okanagan Regional District



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Public Advisory Committee Member	Organization
Sustainable Development PAC	
Bert Gatien	Kamloops and District Real Estate Association
Bob Misseghers	Shuswap Waterfront Owners Association
Dale Kerr	Sorrento & Area Community Association
Darryl Arsenault	Qualified Environmental Professionals representative
Graham Held	Appraisal Institute of Canada, BC Association
Jim Cooperman	Shuswap Environmental Action Society
Lisa Shirley-Nobbs	Okanagan Mainline Real Estate Board
Tim Dunne	Shuswap Construction Industry Professionals
<i>Regrets:</i> Elaine Koller/ Jenn Piekarczyk	Okanagan Strata Management
<i>Regrets:</i> Vern Schmuland	Shuswap Estates Community Association
<i>Regrets:</i> Representative	Swansea Point Community Association
Water Quality and Waste Management PAC	
Betty Holtskog	Western Canada Onsite Wastewater Association
Carol Ferguson	Sorrento & Area Community Association
David Baxter	Resident
Hugh Tyson	Shuswap Environmental Action Society
Jay Simpson	Shuswap Waterfront Owners Association
Laura Jameson	Lower Shuswap Stewardship Society
Neil Millar	Waterway Houseboats
Ray Nadeau	Shuswap Water Action Team
Tina Keely	Swansea Point Community Association
Todd Killo	Twin Anchors Houseboats
<i>Regrets,</i> Kelly Sheldon	Water System Operator
<i>Regrets,</i> Neil Swaan	Salmon Valley dairy farmer
<i>Regrets,</i> Rob Bushell	Three Buoys Houseboats
<i>Regrets,</i> Terry Barker	Shuswap Lake Estates – utilities
<i>Regrets,</i> Representative	Shuswap Estates Community Association
Recreation Management PAC	
Alice Letang (alt. for Colleen Anderson)	Waterway Houseboats
Dale Kerr	Sorrento & Area Community Association



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Gord Robertson	Shuswap Waterfront Owners Association
Phil McIntyre-Paul	Shuswap Trail Alliance
Dan Keely	Swansea Point Community Association
<i>Regrets</i> , Penny Hoban	Twin Anchors Houseboats
<i>Regrets</i> , Representative	Shuswap Estates Community Association

The following Technical Team Members and others were in attendance on April 12th 2012:

Name	SLIPP Technical Team	Organization
Andy Morris	FD, ECE	BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations
Anna Page	FD, WQWM	North Okanagan Regional District
Barb Leslie	FD, RM, ECE	Conservation Officer Service
Barry Zunti	FD, ECE	Fisheries and Oceans Canada
Ben Sampogna	FD, RM	BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations
Bob Harding	FD, ECE	Fisheries and Oceans Canada
Carol Danyluk	WQWM, RM, ECE	BC Ministry of Environment
Chris Marrie	RM, ECE	Transport Canada
Dennis Einarson	FD, WQWM	BC Ministry of Environment
Elaine Gustafson	WQWM, RM, ECE	BC Parks
Peter Weilandt	RM	BC Parks
Erin Vieira		Fraser Basin Council
Gabi Matscha	WQWM, ECE	BC Ministry of Environment
Gerry Leering	N/A	Observer
Greg Simmons	N/A	Thompson Rivers University
Hamish Kassa	FD, WQWM, RM, ECE	Columbia-Shuswap Regional District
Ian McGregor	FD, WQWM, RM, ECE	BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations
Keith Weir	FD, ECE	BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations
Ken Ashley	WQWM, ECE	Northwest Hydraulic Consultants Ltd.
Kyle Beadman	ECE	BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations
Marcin Pachcinski	FD, RM, ECE	Columbia-Shuswap Regional District
Mark Phillpotts	FD, ECE	BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations



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Michael Crowe	FD, ECE	Fisheries and Oceans Canada
Mike Burwash	FD, WQWM, RM, ECE	BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations
Mike Simpson		Fraser Basin Council
Rob Niewenhuizen	WQWM	City of Salmon Arm
Roberta Dight	FD, RM, ECE	Transport Canada
Sarah Evanetz		SLIPP Program Manager
Steve Matthews		BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations
Sydney Johnsen		Peak Planning Associates
Todd Smith	ECE	BC Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations

** FD = Foreshore Development Technical Team; WQWM = Water Quality and Waste Management Technical Team; RM = Recreation Management Technical Team; ECE = Education, Compliance and Enforcement Technical Team*