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All-Committee Meeting Summary

April 24, 2013, 9:30 AM – 12:00 PM

Meeting Purpose and Format

The purpose of the meeting was to 1) share accomplishments from 2012/13; 2) seek feedback on 2013/14 priorities and 2014/15 direction; and 3) provide an opportunity for the public advisory committee and technical team members to meet and discuss the three main program/goal areas.

The format of the morning plenary, with members of the public in attendance, 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 and Waste Management
- Sustainable Development and Restoration
- Recreation Management
- Compliance and Enforcement
- Education and Outreach
- SLIPP in 2014/15 and beyond

Three concurrent afternoon workshops were organized to solicit input on SLIPP's 2013-14 priorities and plans in each of the three SLIPP goal areas (Water Quality and Waste Management, Recreation Management and Foreshore Development/Restoration).

Meeting Summaries

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

Welcome and Introductions

SLIPP Steering Committee Chair Larry Morgan (CSRD Area F Director) welcomed people to the meeting by stressing the unique collaborative approach that SLIPP is taking to address the balance of economic, environmental and social issues, and the need to work together.

Secwepemc territory was acknowledged, the contribution of the late Ted Bacigalupo was acknowledged, and introductions were made around the room.

SLIPP Overview

Mike Simpson, SLIPP Program Manager with Fraser Basin Council in Kamloops, gave an overview of SLIPP and reported on financial costs to date, and noted that significantly more cash and in-kind time has been leveraged compared to the annual SLIPP budget of \$335,000. He also noted that the majority of that local government contribution, 84%, is from local government gas tax funds and not property tax. Simpson noted that confusion exists over the mandate and role of SLIPP, that there is no delegated decision making authority, individual government agencies make their own decisions and enforce their own legislation, regulations and bylaws. This presentation may be viewed or downloaded [here](#).



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Water Quality and Waste Management

Steve Matthews, consulting biologist, reported on what is happening with water quality and waste management monitoring and activities. This program is providing important information on lake water quality conditions and potential sources of nutrients, by coordinating data collection and monitoring into one centralized system. Monitoring will continue in 2013/14 with the expectation the resulting 3 years of data will lead to recommendations for addressing water quality issues. The 2011 SLIPP Water Quality Results Report will be published this spring, and the 2012 report will be published in late 2013.

This presentation may be viewed or downloaded [here](#)

Foreshore Development/Restoration

Steve Matthews reported on foreshore restoration activities, with the key point made that with few exceptions the foreshore below the present natural boundary is the property of the Crown and is therefore a public resource that cannot be modified without authorization. Restoration has been completed at seven sites to date, and a 5-year plan has been initiated to guide future restoration works. In conjunction with this program, a large number of abandoned docks were removed from Shuswap Lake in 2012, and will continue to be a focus in 2013.

This presentation may be viewed or downloaded [here](#)

Recreation Management Plan

Sydney Johnsen of Peak Planning Associates and John Hull, Assistant Professor at Thompson Rivers University, reported on the Recreation Management Plan that is currently being developed. A recreation intercept survey was conducted in 2012 (results can viewed [here](#)), a review of best practices of similar issues from other jurisdictions, and interviews with key informants from a variety of sectors including the houseboat industry and marina operators. Joint working sessions of the recreation public advisory committee and technical team, involving community representatives, provincial and local governments, First Nations, tourism industry sectors, interest groups and RCMP reviewed all of this information in the creation of the draft plan. The draft plan will be released in May and will be open for public feedback and comment until mid-September.

This presentation may be viewed or downloaded [here](#)

Compliance and Enforcement

Barb Leslie, Inspector and Operations Manager, Conservation Officer Service reported that there has been excellent coordination among different agencies, including RCMP, Transport Canada, Fisheries and Oceans Canada and the province. Patrick Tobin, Regional Manager, Compliance and Enforcement, Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations reported that while coordination is valuable, individual government agencies have responsibility to enforce their own legislation and regulations. Plans for 2013 for all compliance and enforcement agencies are continued patrols, and a coordinated approach on the August long weekend.

The 2012 Education, Compliance and Enforcement report can be downloaded [here](#).



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Education and Outreach

Tracy Thomas, Assistant Regional Manager for Fraser Basin Council in Kamloops, gave an overview of the various education and outreach activities undertaken for SLIPP including media releases, maintenance of the SLIPP website, publication of brochures and print material, and that a booth was hosted at the Calgary boat show in February 2012. Three open houses to share information on SLIPP and seek feedback are planned for summer 2013, locations and dates are not yet determined. This presentation may be viewed or downloaded [here](#) starting on page 17.

SLIPP in 2014/15 and beyond?

The three-year SLIPP pilot project comes to an end in March 2014. There are no decisions or commitments made regarding the future of SLIPP or its funding for 2014 and beyond; however, support was expressed at the April 24 meeting for its continuation and the following ideas were presented as possible priorities if SLIPP were to continue:

- a shift to management and implementation of actions, including actions to address water quality such as community sewer systems in populated areas
- determination of cumulative effects assessment to support decision making as outlined in the 2008 SLIPP Strategic Plan
- advocate for more provincial leadership and the creation of a Ministry of Water/Watershed Management
- continued collaboration is needed
- continue to streamline approval process for development
- create a Shuswap Basin Water Board involving three regional districts (North Okanagan, Columbia Shuswap and Thompson Nicola) to jointly implement the SLIPP Strategic Plan, the Shuswap River Watershed Sustainability Plan developed by the Regional District of North Okanagan

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 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 late winter or spring 2014.



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Attendance

The following were in attendance for the morning session on April 24, 2013:

Steering Committee Member	Organization
Chair, Director Larry Morgan	Columbia-Shuswap Regional District
Vice Chair, Mayor Nancy Cooper	City of Salmon Arm
Councillor Ron Jules	Shuswap Nation Tribal Council
Director Paul Demenok	Columbia-Shuswap Regional District
Director Peter Milobar	Thompson-Nicola Regional District
Director Rene Talbot	Columbia-Shuswap Regional District
Director Ron Anderson	Thompson-Nicola Regional District
Councillor Dave Nordquist	Shuswap Nation Tribal Council
Director Jackie Pearase	North Okanagan Regional District
Ray Nadeau	Public Advisory Committee representative
Peter Lishman	Technical Team representative
<i>Regrets</i> , Director Howie Cyr	North Okanagan Regional District
<i>Regrets</i> , Director Rhona Martin	Columbia-Shuswap Regional District
<i>Regrets</i> , Mayor Darrell Trouton	District of Sicamous

Public Advisory Committee Member	Organization
Sustainable Development PAC	
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
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
Susan Everatt	Lower Shuswap Stewardship Society



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Ray Nadeau	Shuswap Water Action Team
Tina Keely	Swansea Point Community Association
Todd Kylo	Twin Anchors Houseboats
<i>Regrets, Kelly Sheldon</i>	Water System Operator
<i>Regrets, Neil Swaan</i>	Salmon Valley dairy farmer
<i>Regrets, Rob Bushell</i>	Three Buoys Houseboats
<i>Regrets, Terry Barker</i>	Shuswap Lake Estates – utilities
<i>Regrets, Representative</i>	Shuswap Estates Community Association
Recreation Management PAC	
Dale Kerr	Sorrento & Area Community Association
Gord Robertson	Shuswap Waterfront Owners Association
Herman Halvorson	Grindrod resident
Phil McIntyre-Paul	Shuswap Trail Alliance
Dan Keely	Swansea Point Community Association
Lorraine Seys	Shuswap Marina

The following Technical Team Members or SLIPP consultants were in attendance:

Name	Organization
Patrick Tobin	MFLNRO, Compliance and Enforcement
Barry Chilibeck	Northwest Hydraulic Consultants
Ken Christison	Northwest Hydraulic Consultants
Barry Zunti	Fisheries an Oceans Canada
Rob Niewenhiezen	City of Salmon Arm
Andy Morris	MFLNRO, Fish and Wildlife
Janet Beltz	Ministry of Forests Lands and Natural Resource Operations
Clint Zimmerman	MFLNRO, Compliance and Enforcement
Kyle Beadman	MFLNRO, Compliance and Enforcement
Peter Mitchell	RCMP Salmon Arm
Wes DeArmond	BC Parks
Marcin Pachcinski	Columbia Shuswap Regional District
Tracy Thomas	SLIPP Coordinator (Fraser Basin Council)
Mike Simpson	SLIPP Program Manager (Fraser Basin Council)



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Steve Matthews	Consultant to SLIPP
Hamish Kassa	CSRD
Rob Fleming	Interior Health
Andy Oetter	Forests, Lands, Natural Resource Operations
Ben Sampogna	FLNRO Mountain Resort Branch
Janet Beltz	Ministry of Forests Lands and Natural Resource Operations
Michael Crowe	Fisheries and Oceans Canada
Scott Beeching	CSRD
Sean Bennett	Fisheries and Oceans Canada
Audrey Mataseje	Thompson Rivers University, consultant to SLIPP
Sydney Johnsen	Peak Planning Associates, consultant to SLIPP
John Hull	Thompson Rivers University, consultant to SLIPP
Barb Leslie	MOE, Conservation Officer Service

The following members of the public were in attendance:

Name	Organization
Dean Acton	Captain's Village Marina
Bo Wilson	Shuswap Waterfront Owners Association
David Baxter	Resident
Hugh Tyson	Shuswap Environmental Action Society
Jay Simpson	Shuswap Waterfront Owners Association
Andy Aichholz	Citizen
Barry Wilson	Silvatech Consulting Ltd.
Bill & Sharon LeClair	None
Bonnie Baker	Area 'C' resident
Brian and Sherry St. Germaine	Residents, Wild Rose Bay
Chris George	Green Party of British Columbia
David Baxter	Public
Denise Reimer	City of Salmon Arm
Elaine Koller	Okanagan Strata Management
Geoff Abell	Waterfront owner
Everett Lobert	Homeowner



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James Edward Leiper	Retired
Jenn Piekarczyk	Okanagan Strata Management
Jeromy Schuetze	Franklin Engineering
Joan Bristow	Shuswap Tourism/Economic Development
Joni Heinrich	Village of Chase
Neil Brookes	Kingfisher Interpretive Centre
Pat Robertson	Concerned taxpayer
Phyllis Mader	North Shuswap Historical Society
Robyn Cyr	Columbia Shuswap Regional District
Shannon Abell	Waterfront owner
Simon Brown	Public
Terry Gold	Silver Sands RV Resort
Trev Manzuik	Remax Shuswap
Peter Long	Bay Side Marina & Grill
Terry Barker	Shuswap Lake Utilities
Don & Rosie Lauzon	Triton Docks Inc.
Richard Lawrence	Copper Island Docks
Michelle Berezan	None noted
Mark Smith	Anglemont Marina
Tracy Thompson	Property owner