

Cortes Forestry General Partnership Board Meeting Minutes – April 5, 2016

Present: Kristen Scholfield-Sweet

Bruce Ellingsen

Mark Lombard

John Marlow

Mat Cuscianna

Kevin Peacey

James Delorme (via phone)

Corry Dow

Agenda:

- Squirrel Cove Update
- Public Interactions
- RFP Criteria
- Firewood
- Safety review
- Roadbuilding options
- Miscellaneous

Discussion:

- Squirrel Cove Update:
 - o SQ 1 done, SQ 2 & QC 3 waiting on roads, SQ 4 inactive, SQ 5 felling now
 - o Overview of letter from CCFC member reviewing operation thus far
 - Hauled 7 local loads out
 - Powder worm check needed for log pricing
- Discussion of recent public interactions including operations obstruction, ongoing criticism, letter of constructive review, funding opportunities and upcoming meeting with General Manager

- Review of recent RFP for tree planting more specific guidelines re: detail needed in proposals needed for future RFPs
- ~ 27 logging truck loads of firewood on order at this time (1 load = approx.. 13 cords of wood)
 - policy needed re: order of delivery
 - At current price of \$800.00/load delivered firewood is being sold at 1/5-1/4 of value of logs being sold – discussion of this level of subsidisation and priority of supply
- Review of safety protocols of current contractors and need to clarify safety requirements with some contractors. REMINDER: documentation of conversations, and verbal warnings is needed for tracing communications and establishing protocol has been followed.
- Roadbuilding timing, location and gravel supply and delivery discussed
- Miscellaneous:
 - o Confirm that BCCFA dues paid
 - o John bought 2 extra stamping hammers to be left with Matt

Action Items:

- 1. John to draft letter re: non-payment of firewood bill & request to desist from obstructing operations
- 2. John to ask J. Vosper to go this week to LM to address roads
- 3. John to ensure dump trucks are available for hauling gravel for SQ roads
- 4. John to communicate with the planter and approve rate requests
- 5. John to find out the size of the smallest possible log boom
- 6. John to send Corry update re: Cw local sales, modified prescription to reserve Cw for future harvest Corry to post on website
- 7. Mark will call private firewood load buyers to assess who will take 1/2 or 1/4 loads
- 8. Matt will send out weekly updated during operations Corry to post
- 9. Matt will invoice directly to the CFGP

Tabled:

- vexar cleanup project as job op
- revisit results of Mark's firewood calls
- payment card for sundry expenses
- budget

Next Meeting: April 26, 2016