



Klahoose First Nation

CORTES FORESTRY

GENERAL PARTNERSHIP



Cortes Forestry General Partnership Board Meeting Minutes – July 11, 2017

Present: Kathy Francis

Georgina Silby

Kevin Peacey

Corry Dow

Bruce Ellingsen

Mark Lombard

Matt Cuscianna

Agenda:

- First site tour with new RPF
- Proposed road-use agreement for fall project
- Inquiries from other forestry interests
- Fall operations contract postings
- Website updates
- Goshawk survey results overview
- 5-year planning

Followed by the 6-month performance review of the Operations Manager

Discussion:

- First site tour with new RPF
 - Mark Lombard met with Lone Brown, the newly contracted RPF last week and toured the proposed fall operations site, as well as the SQ block harvested in the early part of 2017 (SQ 4). They discussed upcoming permitting requirements and Results reporting for finished operations.
 - Next visit with Lone to focus on SQ tending and the establishment of permanent sample plots
- Proposed road-use agreement for fall project
 - Discussion of terms and generally accepted road-use practices in the industry
 - Desire to simplify terms and establish a standard protocol

- Inquiries from off-island forestry interests
 - Protocol: Inquiries from any other forestry interests on Cortes Island must be directed to write to the CFGP Board.

- Fall operations contract postings
 - Discussion of protocols for posting contracts
 - Resolution: The CFGP shall publicly post all contracts in the interest of promoting fairness and local economic opportunity. Proposals shall be accepted on best overall merit based on the principles laid out in the CFGP's Guiding Principles and Economic and Resource Management Goals.

- Goshawk survey results overview
 - MFLNRO sent a crew to work on an on-going survey of Goshawk habitat on Cortes and in the Cortes CFA from June 5-9. They identified six sites to focus on including Carrington, Green Mountain, Cortes Bay, Mary Point, Quartz Bay, and Haywire Bay Operating areas (North of the Bay in Squirrel Cove). No Goshawks were seen or heard. One plucking post was identified but not confirmed as a Goshawk. A summary report of the survey will be prepared for the CFGP.

- 5-year planning
 - Mark and Matt identified areas under consideration for harvest in the next 5 years given accessibility and feasibility of timber supply.
 - Map overview requested as next step. Board to prioritize planning in next two months.

Action Items:

1. Mark to make introductions between Sunshine Coast Forest District contact and Lone
2. Georgina to draft road-use agreement proposal and submit to board for approval
3. Mark to submit draft RFPs for all contracts for approval from board before posting
4. Mark to post CF free-use permit closure due to fire risk to website including fire safety reminder
5. Mark to post to website the announcement of the contracting of Lone Brown as RPF to the CFGP
6. Mark to follow up on outstanding firewood invoices
7. Matt to follow up on outstanding map requests and get mapping data files
8. Matt to submit list of capabilities and pricing of services of alternate mapping service providers to board by Monday July, 17.
9. Georgina to initiate board email thread to establish requirements for 5-year Plan