

**SUMMARY  
FRAFS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
APRIL 15, 2014**

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Board Room  
Shuswap Nation Tribal Council  
Tk'emlups, BC  
9:00 a.m. start

**A. PARTICIPANTS**

- Ken Malloway (Chair)
- Ernie Crey
- Gord Sterritt
- Howie Wright
- Murray Ross
- Neil Todd
- Walter Quinlan

**By phone**

- Thomas Alexis
- Terri Bonnet
- Pete Nicklin
- Mike Staley
- Dana Bellis

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**B. AGENDA**

1. Roll call, review, adjust, and accept the agenda
2. Old business:
  - a) Notes from the previous meeting
  - b) Action items from the previous meeting
3. Update: Fraser Salmon Management Council
4. FRAFS Agreement Amendment
5. CSPI Update: draft ESSA report
6. Year-End Discussion: Budget
7. Year-End Discussion: Processes in the Previous Fiscal Year
8. JTWG Update
9. SCC Review: Forum and the SCC (First Nations caucus)

**C. DISCUSSIONS**

**1. Roll call / Agenda**

- Attendance noted as listed under “Participants.”
- After review and adjustments, the agenda was finalized and accepted

**2. Old Business**

**2.1) Notes** from the previous meeting were previously circulated to EC members and the Communications Coordinator has entered requested revisions into the final draft.

**2.2) Action Items** from the previous meeting:

*Feb. Action Item # 1: Draft a letter from the FRAFS EC Chair to the CSPI to remind them of the TOR and purpose of the CSPI.*

It wasn't necessary to carry this out because: the pace of work picked up; Essa completed the draft report; and issues of concern were dealt with through the Steering/Planning Committee.

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*Feb. Action Item # 2: Develop a CSPI Work Plan over the next 1 ½ months. (A small group of the SPC was suggested, but this would have to be done in conjunction with the Operations Manager and the FRAFS work plan).*

The Ops Manager reported that DFO rep's time has been consumed with IHPC, IFMP and SCC. The idea for a small group is "ideal" to get work started on working out costs and the direction of the work (re: PICFI). He suggested that someone from the SPC should get the process started.

It was recommended that a note from the FRAFS EC expressing: the interest and will of First Nations leaders at the EC to see the work move forward; the work that needs to be done; and the request for funding. Furthermore, there should be a workshop to ensure that First Nations are properly briefed on the work completed to date. . The Ops Manager thought that the Visions funding carried forward from the previous fiscal might be used for this purpose.

***Action Item #1: Ops Manager to draft a letter from the EC for the Chair's signature re: Work Plan and funding for CSPI.***

***Action Item #2: Ops Manager to email DFO re: use of Visions funding for a CSPI Workshop for First Nations.***

It was reported that the other Action Items from the previous meeting were completed.

***Action Item #3: Communications Coordinator to email EC member re: his decision as to whether or not he'd like to continue as a FRAFS EC member.***

**3. Update: Fraser Salmon Management Council – FSMC**

The Ops Manager reported that a 70% quorum of First Nation Signatories reached consensus on and adopted the Constitution and By-laws of the Fraser Salmon Management Council (FSMC). The next step is to have an Assembly with a quorum of Signatories who've had their Band/First Nation pass a BCR to: approve the FSMC Constitution and By-laws; and appoint a member delegate. The goal is to hold an Assembly and Celebration in mid-June at which time the structure of the organization will be formed and the issue of incorporation as a legal entity will be discussed PICFI funding will be applied for to support the work over this fiscal year. A draft work plan and budget will be prepared by mid-May for the Main Table to review.

It was noted that "t

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**FSMC Update (continued)**

**4. FRAFS Agreement Amendment**

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The DFO rep to the EC said that department will have it signed off by the end of April.

The Ops Manager mentioned that there were concerns about the new table re staff wages; as FRAFS does not have staff, he felt that the table is not applicable to FRAFS.

Q: The DFO rep said

: It's been flagged as an issue and there'll be follow up.

***Action Item #4: Follow up if RHQ has accepted the new table re: staff wages.***

**5. CSPI Update: draft ESSA report**

The EC reviewed the Executive Summary of the Essa draft report.

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The ONA has offered tech support, but, the SEP has said that they're working on the SEP Risk Assessment framework internally. It was noted that "no-one has seen it." To date DFO has also been silent on habitat protection, they are focusing on harvest and hatchery management.

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**CSPI Update (continued)**

Questions regarding next steps for this year:

- What kind of budget and time frame does DFO have for this year?
- At what point do First Nations get plugged into that process?

The understanding is that it's internal.

Question re: a draft Work Plan: How will Work Plan address the Essa recommendations (ex.: more technical input)? It was suggested that the FRAFS EC include in their letter to DFO the recommendation that the Work Plan be developed with a broader group.

**6. Year-End Discussion: Budget**

7. The EC reviewed the preliminary final Expenditures spreadsheet. The Ops Manager was congratulated on his work with the FRAFS budget, pointing out that it's difficult to predict what a budget will look like come March 31<sup>st</sup>. It was noted that the FRAFS Finance Sub-committee was helpful. **ar-End Discussion: Processes in the Previous Fiscal Year**

With the change to the IFMP timeline, the EC discussed moving the May Forum forward to December. It was pointed out that October-November is Chinook planning time and that that could lead into the December Forum. In addition, the December Forum could "set the stage" for the Agendas of the next Forums.

It was noted that "earlier planning" is required and it was recommended that the EC send a consensus of their recommendations to the Forum Planning Committee.

***Action Item # 5: Ops Manager to draft email re: EC recommendations to Forum Planning Committee re: timeline for Forums (Dec. 2014 to end of fiscal).***

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**8. JTWG Update**

The JTWG will meet in Port Alberni the day prior to the Forum (May 6<sup>th</sup>).

**Summary of Motions**

None presented.

**Summary of Action Items**

*Action Item #1: Draft a letter re: Work Plan and funding for CSPI.*

*Action Item #2: Email DFO re: use of Visions funding for a CSPI Workshop for First Nations.*

*Action Item #3: Communications Coordinator to email EC member re: his decision as to whether or not he'd like to continue as a FRAFS EC member.*

*Action Item #4: Follow up if RHQ has accepted the new table re: staff wages.*

*Action Item #5: Draft email re: EC recommendations to Forum Planning Committee re: timeline for Forums (Dec. 2014 to end of fiscal).*