

TGIRT-EIJB Matagami FMU 86-52, 86-64 and 86-65

Minutes from the
NINETEENTH MEETING

Held remotely on June 9, 2021 by Microsoft Teams



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Regional Government

APPROVED ON: DECEMBER 1ST, 2021

ATTENDING

Delegates:

Mrs.	Mira Godbout	-	Glencore
Mrs.	Lydia Pedneault	-	Eacom Matagami
Mrs.	Valérie Moses	-	Scierie Landrienne
Mr.	Benoît Mandeville	-	Norbord
Mr.	François Denis	-	Résolu

Observers:

Mrs.	Johanne Morasse	-	EIJBRG, animator
Mrs.	Justine Drolet	-	MFFP
Mr.	Dave Levasseur	-	MFFP
Mr.	Mario Poirier	-	MFFP

Guests:

Mrs.	Christine Morin	-	MFFP
Mrs.	Élaine Cyr	-	MFFP
Mr.	Paul-Maxime Otye Moto-		MFFP

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1. Call to order, introductions

The animator welcomes all participants and asks them to introduce themselves.

2. Reading and approval of the agenda

The animator reads the agenda. It was asked to add in item regarding the Fénélon Road under Miscellaneous.

On a motion by Valérie Moses, duly seconded by Benoît Mandeville, it is unanimously agreed to approve the agenda with the requested amendment.

3. Reading, follow-up and approval of the minutes of the meeting held on December 1, 2020

As indicated in the invitation email to the nineteenth meeting of the Matagami TGIRT-EIJB, the members were invited to read the minutes before the meeting and make their comments at the item follow-up and approval of the minutes of the previous meeting.

On a motion by Valérie Moses, duly seconded by François Denis, it is unanimously agreed to approve the minutes as proposed.

4. Correspondence

There is no correspondence for this meeting.

5. Presentation of the mixed stand management strategy

A representative of the MFFP gives a presentation on the “Mixed stand management strategy”. A delegate asks if the mature mixed stands can be harvested. A MFFP representative replies that the mixed stands can be harvested when the threshold by trap line is maintained. Over the years, there will be updates to be done according to the eco-forest inventories. If the stands are lower than the established threshold, harvest will not be permitted.

6. Follow-up on the issues

a. Terms included in the RADF to ensure the maintenance of the water quality (MFFP).

Following a request from the panel, a representative from the MFFP presents a document on the RADF that lists and explains the main standards of this regulation regarding the protection of water. The sections of the act that aim to protect water were presented along with a review of the definitions of terms related to the impacts on water. A follow-up with the MELCC will be made regarding the legislation changes following the coming into effect, on December 30, 2020 of the REAFIE “*Regulation regarding the support of operations based on their environmental impact*”. This regulation made major changes to the support of operations and authorisations, the MFFP will verify with the MELCC if they need to authorise the shore stabilisation for resort zones.

7. Road management plan

The animator mentions that a multi-TGIRT-EIJB technical committee was implemented to discuss the concerns regarding the management of forest roads. The committee wanted to share with the members of the TGIRT-EIJB a document titled "Hypothèse de financement du réseau des chemins multiusages à l'intention du travail de réflexion des CRRNT". This 56-page document (plus appendices) was tabled to the members for information purposes.

8. Presentation on the wood production strategy (MFFP)

A representative of the MFFP gives a presentation on the "Regional wood production strategy". This strategy aims to increase the production of softwood and will be integrated in the PAFIT-2023-2028. A member asks the representative of the MFFP if he has the statistics for unclaimed wood for the FMUs of Matagami. He replied that the MFFP will produce them and send them to the panel. Also, the MFFP will be able to send the information on the quality of unclaimed wood for all FMUs in the very near future. They just need time to assemble the information.

9. Presentation on the paludified landscapes

A representative of the MFFP gives a presentation on the paludified landscapes. He explains the phenomenon and its impact on the growth of stands. Solutions are proposed to limit the loss of growth in the regeneration of the harvest sites. The panel will receive the results of several projects to reforest and return to production the sites that are more or less paludified and hard to access at the next meeting. A question was asked regarding the possibility of using clay roads to transport the plants. The representative replies that all possibilities are considered by the MFFP. He mentions also that the CNESE supports the distances in terms of reforestation. However, the costs in winter are 2-3 times higher than a regular scarification, which limits the reforestation.

10. Next meeting

The next meeting will be held on December 1, 2021 at 8:15 AM.

11. Miscellaneous

a. Fénélon Road

A map of the path of the Fénélon-Matagami road was presented. A representative of the MFFP indicates that the portion of the road marked in blue is a former class 3 road in the Joutel area. The MFFP was asked about the forestry work planned in that area but the response was no since this road is only somewhat interesting forestry-wise. No member of the panel heard about this project outside the media. The MFFP will contact the SDBJ to know the timeline of the project to provide the authorisations. At the next meeting there will surely be interested parties to discuss this project so the panel will know more about it.

12. Adjournment

The meeting is adjourned at 10:15 AM.

On a motion by Valérie Moses, duly seconded by Lydia Pedneault, it is unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting.

ACRONYMS

BGA:	Beneficiary of a supply guarantee
COMEV:	Evaluation committee (responsible for studying the preliminary information provided by the promoter of a project located in the territory covered by the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement (JBNQA) and located south of the 55 th parallel)
CRV:	Variable retention logging
FHVC:	Forest with a high conservation value
GIRT:	Integrated Land and Resources Management
CNG:	Cree Nation Government
EIJBRG:	Eeyou Istchee James Bay Regional Government
MFFP:	Ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs
PAFIT:	Tactical Plan for Integrated Forest Management
PAFIO:	Operational Plan for Integrated Forest Management
PFNL:	Non-wood forest product
PRAN:	Annual scheduling
PRAU:	Harvest permit to supply a mill
SÉPAQ:	Société des établissements de plein-air du Québec
TGIRT:	Integrated Land and Resources Management Panel
VNR:	Non-harvested volumes
VO:	Value, objective
VOIC:	Value, objective, indicator, target