

TGIRT-EIJB Mistissini FMU 26-61 and 26-62

Report from the
EIGHTEENTH MEETING

Held on November 25, 2020 by Microsoft Teams videoconference



Gouvernement régional
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Regional Government

APPROVED ON: JUNE 16 2021

ATTENDING

Delegates:

- Mr. Félix Plante (Chantiers Chibougamau)
Hubert Petawabano (Mistissini Cree Environment Administration)
Pierre Leblond (plant worker)
Matthew Longchap (Joint working group)
Patrick Wapachee (Economic division)
- Mrs. Julie Laberge (Entreprise Alain Maltais)

Observers:

- Mr. Serge Bergeron (MFFP)
Gabriel Rheault (MFFP)
Martin Filion (EIJBRG, animator)
- Mrs. Johanne Morasse (EIJBRG)

TGIRT-EIJB MISTISSINI EIGHTEENTH MEETING

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.

On a motion by Mr. Pierre Leblond, duly seconded by Mr. Félix Plante, it is unanimously agreed to approve the agenda as proposed.

3. Reading, follow-up and approval of the minutes of the meeting held on December 4, 2019

The animator reviews the minutes. As a follow-up, a delegate reiterates a question asked at the last meeting regarding the Épervanche Lake Road, to know who does its repairs and maintenance. This was done by Hydro-Québec without notification. The delegate mentions that this road is part of his family hunting territory and that he should have been notified before this work was completed.

The delegates ask to postpone the approval of the minutes to the next meeting.

4. Correspondence

There is no correspondence to introduce at this meeting.

5. Follow-up on the issues

a. Access to the territory

The animator reviews the issue of encumbrance of ancient roads after their opening and presents several pictures taken during an on-site visit. These pictures are available in the members section of the TGIRTS. The road at issue is located between Waconichi Lake and Route 167 and is accessible from this road, between Km markers 266 and 267. It corresponds to number 167-60 according to the Routard guide. There has been no development since this visit by the MFFP. For the MFFP, it is an operational element and therefore the responsibility of the BGAs. A delegate from the BGA group suggests verifying if biomass collectors would be interested in participating in a pilot project wherein they would recover the branches from the right of way of such roads.

The members agree to hold a meeting with the delegate from the joint working group, the delegate from the wildlife reserve managers group, a representative from Nexolia (Mr. Nicolas Lemieux), Mr. Johnny Matoush from the joint working group, the MFFP planner and the delegate from Chantiers Chibougamau. The animator will send a survey to the committee members to schedule a meeting toward the middle of January.

6. Regional technical committee for the development of an access road management plan

A first meeting of the technical committee was held in October. The animator reviews the origin of this committee and the mandate it was given. The committee members mentioned the absence of Cree community members. The animator invites the members of the community of Mistissini who would be interested in being part of the technical committee to mention their interest to him. He adds that the French version of the report of this meeting is available on the EIJB RG website, in the members section of the TGIRT-EIJB.

7. Presentation of the public consultation reports on the special plan regarding burn site 72, the PAFIO and PAFIT

The MFFP planner presents the follow-up report on the public consultation held from July 2-29, 2019 regarding the special recovery management plan for burn site #72. The burn site is located near Hébert Lake in FMU 26-66. Two bridges will need to be returned to service to access the area. This plan was completed and the next step will be to return the burnt area to production.

8. State of advancement of the amended 2018-2023 PAFIT

The MFFP planner presents the PAFIT that is available on the MFFP website and accessible through the members section of the EIJB RG website. The MFFP observer invites the members to continue the development of issues that could eventually be considered in the PAFIT since this strategic planning is a continuous work.

9. Amendments to the PAFIO

The MFFP planner presents the main modifications made to the PAFIO. In the area of Témiscamie Lake there is about 200 hectares of new harvest areas. In FMU 26-62, there is a new harvest area near Eau Froide Lake.

10. Proposed schedule of meetings for 2021

The animator submits a proposed schedule for the TGIRT meetings in 2021. The three dates proposed are agreeable to the members. The dates chosen are February 25, June 22 and November 25, 2021. These three meetings will begin at 1:15 PM.

11. Miscellaneous

12. Adjournment

The meeting is adjourned at 2:30 PM. The next meeting will be held on February 25, 2021 at 1:15 PM.

On a motion by Mr. Félix Plante, duly seconded by Mr. Pierre Leblond, it is unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting.

ACRONYMS

BGA:	Beneficiary of a supply guarantee
TGIRT:	Integrated Land and Resources Management Panel
EIJBRG:	Eeyou Istchee James Bay Regional Government
MFFP:	Ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs
PADF:	Sustainable Forest Management Program
PAFIT:	Tactical Plan for Integrated Forest Management
PAFIO:	Operational Plan for Integrated Forest Management
FMU:	Forest Management Unit