

# TGIRT-EIJB Lebel-sur-Quévillon FMU 87-51 and 87-62

Report from the  
**NINETEENTH MEETING**

Held on June 15, 2021 remotely by Microsoft Teams



Gouvernement régional  
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Regional Government

**APPROVED ON: DECEMBER 7, 2021**

# ATTENDING

## Delegates:

Mrs.	Audrey Gauthier-Dubuc	-	Town of Lebel-sur-Quévillon
Mrs.	Lydia Pedneault	-	Eacom Matagami
Mr.	Luc Bossé	-	OBVAJ
Mr.	Steve Gaudreault	-	Bonterra

## Observers:

Mrs.	Johanne Morasse	-	EIJBRG, animator
Mrs.	Justine Drolet	-	MFFP
Mr.	Éric Labelle	-	MFFP

## Guests:

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

# TGIRT-EIJB LABEL-SUR-QUÉVILLON

## NINETEENTH 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. It was asked to add the item “*Public consultation in 87-62*” under Miscellaneous.

*On a motion by Steve Gaudreault, duly seconded by Luc Bossé, it is unanimously agreed to approve the agenda with the requested changes.*

### 3. **Comments, follow-up and approval of the minutes of the meeting held on December 7, 2020**

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

*After all the follow-up and decision elements were covered, on a motion by Audrey Gauthier-Dubuc, duly seconded by Luc Bossé, it is unanimously agreed to approve the minutes as proposed.*

### 4. **Correspondence**

There is no correspondence regarding this meeting.

### 5. **Presentation of the mixed stand management strategy**

A representative of the MFFP gives a presentation on the “Mixed stand management strategy”. There will soon be instructions regarding wildlife habitats to meet the concerns regarding the moose. Also, these instructions can meet other issues for wildlife using data sheets and new terms to propose.

### 6. **Follow-up on the issues**

The animator reviews the issues table.

The issue “Competitiveness of the forestry industry in the region” will not be a VOIC but will remain an objective that will be continuously maintained regarding the forestry industry.

The issue “Moose population”, a representative of the MFFP will do a follow-up at the next meeting on the proportion of mixed or hardwood forest blocks, a table is updated at each annual planning session. However, the indicator “Proportion of moose traveling corridors” will be hard to quantify. The tallymen are the best persons to identify the corridors and areas. The MFFP will verify if it is possible to obtain more information regarding the harmonisation requests from FMU 87-62 that mentioned corridors that were already protected. A confirmation will be brought to the panel. A delegate from the OBVAJ asks if it is possible to provide a portrait of the riparian strips (mapping). A representative of the MFFP replies that when the instructions on the wildlife habitat are developed, the riparian areas will be one of the most important issues. As part of these instructions, there will soon be a portrait developed for all issues, including a portrait on the riparian strips.

The issue “Conservation of wildlife habitats” is an important one for the spawning beds. Each year, the MFFP does spawning bed validation work, more specifically in the spring or in the fall depending on the species. The MFFP considers all potential spawning beds and plans site visits to validate the presence of spawners and to confirm if the spawning bed is used. The RADF contains an additional protection for the spawning beds. As soon as there is a mention of a spawning bed, it is automatically integrated in the geomatic layers. Wildlife sites of interest are established to provide a bit more protection than the legislation in effect. Updates are in progress to define the new terms and to categorise the sites of interest.

A comment was made regarding the roads that are deteriorating and pouring in brooks. A representative of the MFFP mentions that this is a very complex subject and that the access road management plan is in charge of these subjects.

Regarding the issue of fish consumption, a delegate suggest to increase the information to the public regarding the link of the MELCC website, displaying the fish consumption limits per species per lake. A representative of the MFFP mentions that there will be a reminder sent to the MELCC to have more publicity about their websites or brochures to this effect. An analysis of the fish meat by the MELCC is in progress, partly in the area of Turgeon Lake, considering the high level of contaminants. A study will be done shortly. Public Health has already been called upon and will be contacted again to pursue discussions on this subject.

## 7. **Follow-up on the PAFIO-EIJB public consultations of January and February 2021**

A representative of the MFFP presents the follow-up report on the public consultations on the amendment of the 2018-2023 PAFIO.

Two comments were received during the public consultation regarding the PAFIO-EIJB that was held in January and February 2021 for FMU 87-81 and 87-62.

87-51: Concern from the Lebel-sur-Quévillon snowmobile club regarding the period of completion and location of the work.

87-62: Concern of a resident regarding the logging planned in the area of Shellan Lake.

## 8. **Presentation of the regional 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 2023-2028 PAFIT. A delegate asks the representative of the MFFP if the presentation is the same that was given in the CRMs of region 8. He answered that regions 8 and 10 are working closely together and that the global portrait of the two regions is similar. The MFFP representative adds that the allowable poplar volume in the forest planning of FMU 87-51 is 14,750 m<sup>3</sup>.

## 9. **Road management plan**

The animator mentions that a multi-TGIRT-EIJB technical committee was implemented to discuss the concerns regarding the forest road management. The committee wishes 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. However, in order to avoid reading strictly-informative documents like this one, it was asked to provide a summary or to specify the informative nature of these documents. During previous meetings of the road technical committee, there were discussions regarding the roads to be prioritised when funding is available to repair certain roads. It was mentioned that for the construction of roads, it is necessary to avoid the connectivity between trap lines to prevent conflicts. The MFFP had taken over in order to implement a road technical committee with a goal of closing roads in regards to the caribou. The animator asks the members if they are interest in acting jointly with the category II and III lands and also with the Grande Alliance, which is a major source of funding to develop the forest road network. The main goal would be to agree on a road management plan that considers the road accesses. The panel members mention that idea of working jointly with the Category II and III lands and possibly the Grande Alliance is acceptable.

10. **Miscellaneous**

a. **Public consultation in 87-62**

A representative of the MFFP presents a map where there are two potential locations of forest camps by Barrette-Chapais. These two locations are on former camp sites that are mostly sandy. No deforestation will be necessary. Only one permanent camp will be built and the necessary permits will be issued according to the standards of the legislation.

11. **Next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on December 7, 2021 at 1:15 PM.

12. **Adjournment**

The meeting is adjourned at 3:46 PM.

*On a motion by Audrey Gauthier-Dubuc, duly seconded by Luc Bossé, 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 developer of a project located in the territory covered by the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement (JBNQA) and located south of the 55 <sup>th</sup> 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