

TGIRT-EIBJ Matagami

FMU 86-52, 86-64 and 86-65

Minutes of the

EIGHTH MEETING

Held on August 31, 2017 in the conference room of the EIJB RG in Matagami



Eeyou Istchee James Bay
Regional Government

APPROVED ON: NOVEMBER 14, 2017

TGIRT-EIJB MATAGAMI EIGHTH MEETING

DATE: August 31, 2017
TIME: 10:17 AM
PLACE: Conference room of the
 EIJB in Matagami

ATTENDING
 ARÈS, Michel
 BOURQUE, Patrick
 BERNARD, Yan
 BLACKSMITH, Steven
 DANIEL, Cliche
 GUAY, Félix
 FILLION, Julie
 FILION, Martin
 FORGET, Mylène
 SIMARD, Anabelle
 FORTIN, Isabelle
 DALLAIRE, Sophie (Tel.)
 LEVASSEUR, Dave
 TREMBLAY, Jean-François
 MORASSE, Johanne

ORGANISATION
 Foresterie Waswanipi
 Forex
 Matériaux Blanchet
 Développement économique Waswanipi
 Synergie Matagami
 Norbord
 PF Résolu
 Non-wood forest products
 Matériaux Blanchet
 Scierie Landrienne
 Ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs - Forest
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**OBSERVERS
 GUESTS**

ANIMATOR

ITEMS	RESULTS OR DISCUSSION SUMMARY	DECISIONS
1. Call to order	The meeting is called to order on August 31, 2017 at 10:17 AM.	On a motion by Mr. Martin Filion, duly seconded by Mrs. Anabelle Simard, it is unanimously agreed to call the meeting to order on August 31, 2017 at 10:17 AM.
2. Reading and approval of the agenda for August 31, 2017.	Mrs. Morasse reviews the items on the agenda. Three topics are added to item 9 – H and I Road in FMU 86-65, Synergie Matagami wood pellet plant, New member for Non-wood forest products	On a motion by Mrs. Anabelle Simard, duly seconded by Mrs. Julie Fillion, it is unanimously agreed to approve the agenda with the requested amendments.
3. Reading and approval of the minutes of the meeting held on June 15, 2017.	Mrs. Morasse reviews the minutes of the meeting held on June 15, 2017.	On a motion by Mrs. Anabelle Simard, duly seconded by Mr. Yan Bernard, it is unanimously agreed to approve the minutes as read.
4. Follow-up on the meeting held on June 15, 2017	A follow-up on the VOICs of the TGIRT-EIJB Matagami is reviewed by the members. Objective 2.102 “Maintaining the productivity of forest ecosystems subject to paludification” is being discussed by a working committee at the MFFP. For the value “Management of the road system” and the objective “Optimisation of the forest road system” the members held a first meeting of the roads technical committee on August 10, 2017 to	A presentation will be given at a future meeting regarding the tests currently in progress in FMU 85-51 on paludification. A meeting of the road technical committees of the TGIRT-EIJB will be held on September 15, 2017 to discuss the road issues proposed by the GTC-

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	<p>first establish the needs of the users regarding the access lanes in FMU 86-52, 86-64 and 86-65.</p> <p>Regarding the value “Moose population” and the objective “Maintaining or increasing the moose population”, the MFFP must produce a strategy under Chapter 3 of the Paix des Braves.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Similarly, the value “Conservation of the fish habitat” and the objective “Protection of the spawning beds” are currently the subject of a process for the analysis of the plan and the validation of the spawning beds between the MFFP, the DGF and the GTC Waswanipi. - Regarding the economic concerns: “Ensuring the profitability of wood processing mills”, “Allowing harvest operations at better costs”, “Maintaining the forest potential” and “Maintaining the FSC certifications on the public lands of EIJB” will be taken into consideration throughout the PAFIT production process. <p>For the value “Woodland caribou population” and the objective “conservation of the caribou”, the MFFP is currently following the strategies for the management of the habitat that are in place (2013 precautionary approach and its plan and addendum for the Detour herd). The implementation of the government action plan is started and technical analyses are in progress.</p> <p>The value “Population of marten and small game” and the objective “Conservation of the marten and small game populations” will be treated like the “Moose” and “Fish” VOs.</p> <p>The value “Maintaining the quality of water” and the objective “Minimising the sedimentation caused by forestry operations” require some mapping work. While the RNI considers this topic, it will be discussed at the next meetings of the Joint work group.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Like the economic values, the concerns “Development of the poplar” and “Maintenance of the aspen supply” and the objectives “Access to the full potential of all FMUs of the TGIRT-EIJB Matagami”, “Recovery of the volumes in senescence”, “Maximising the aspen volumes that can be harvested in the summer” and “PAFIO adjusted to the needs of the mills” will not be converted into VOs but simply shared with the members. 	<p>CNG that are common to all panels.</p> <p>The GTC will present at a future meeting the results of the work to identify the zones where the forest management planning will be done to “Maintain or increase the moose population”.</p> <p>The work on validating the spawning beds between the MFFP, the DGFa and the GTC Waswanipi will be completed by March 2018.</p> <p>Continuing</p> <p>The TGIRT-EIJB Matagami will be consulted regarding the caribou conservation plan when it will be produced.</p> <p>The GTC will present at a future meeting the result of the work to identify the zones where forest management planning will be done to “Maintain or increase the marten and small game population”.</p> <p>The GTC will present at a future meeting the result of the work to identify the zones where forest management planning will be done to “Minimise the sedimentation caused by forestry operations”.</p> <p>Continuing</p>

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	<p>Mrs. Anabelle Simard proposes to use a simplified VO follow-up table with five columns:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1- Value 2- Objective 3- Work in progress (TGIRT/MFFP) 4- Timeline 5- MFFP treatment (check) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Retained VO • Retained in our practices • Already taken into account • Not retained • Being analysed 	To come
5. Correspondence	No correspondence	
6. Presentation of the report on the public consultation from July 2017	<p>Mrs. Isabelle Fortin explains that no comments were made during the public consultation held in July 2017. The members ask if the Cree communities can take part in these consultations. Mrs. Fortin replies that the affected Cree families are consulted first and they can, if the wish to do so, attend the public consultation.</p>	
7. Presentation by the MFFP of the note "Extension of the 2013-2018 PAFIT to April 1, 2018 and update of the calculation of the forest potential (CPF)	<p>Mrs. Isabelle Fortin informs the members that the 2013-2018 PAFIT will be extended in its current form to April 1, 2018 with the only change being the update of the calculation of the forest potential. She adds that the regional issues tabled by the EIJBRC in 2015 will be maintained and awaiting for response from the MFFP. A member asks if the specific analysis of the condition of the wildlife habitat will be included in the next PAFIT as expected as a follow-up to Chapters 3 and 6 of the Paix des Braves.</p>	
8. Presentation by the MFFP of the "Ecological issues of the 2018-2023 PAFIT – Part one"	<p>Mrs. Sophie Dallaire presents the first part of the document "Ecological issues of the 2018-2023 PAFIT". The statistics regarding the old stands, partial cuts, wetlands, protected areas, etc. that are illustrated in this presentation applied to the Nord-du-Québec region. The members asked to receive the same statistics but applied to FMU 86-52, 86-64 and 86-65. The members asked why the TGIRT-EIJB Matagami was not asked for its contribution in the establishment of targets (ex.: level of alteration). The members asked the MFFP to send them the document that was used as a guide to choose FMU 86-65 to intensify the cuts. It was specified that this</p>	A technical committee will be made up of Mr. Jean-François Tremblay, Mr. Martin Fillion and a BGA in order to assess the impact of not planning an increase of the wood harvest in a radius of 50 km from the Town of Matagami.

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	zone (50 km radius around Matagami) was targeted by the proximity forest project presented as part of the PRDIRTBJ in 2013 and that it has a strong potential for non-wood forest products. The MFFP proposes to make a simulation where FMU 86-65 is all yellow.	
9. Local issues, concerns, VOICs of the TGIRT-EIJB Matagami	Mr. Michel Arès mentions a concern regarding H and I Road in FMU 86-65 where 9 conditions were issued by the COMEX. Only 7 were completed at this moment.	
11. Miscellaneous	<p>Mr. Daniel Cliche gives a brief summary of the operations of Synergie Matagami. He also presents the possibility of using the wood pellet plant, that is currently inactive, to perform pilot projects such as the fabrication of pellets from ashes.</p> <p>Mr. Martin Filion informs the members the he will be representing the non-wood forest products group from now on.</p>	
12. Adjournment	<p>The members are asked to add the next meeting of the TGIRT-EIJB Matagami on their agenda. It is scheduled for November 14, 2017.</p> <p>The meeting is adjourned at 2:09 PM.</p>	On a motion by Mrs. Julie Fillion, duly seconded by Mr. Félix Guay, it is unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting on August 31, 2017 at 2:09 PM.