

TGIRT-EIJB Valcanton Villebois

FMU 85-51

Minutes of the **TENTH MEETING**

Held on February 15, 2018, in the conference room of the Valcanton municipal building



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Table de GIRT de Villebois et Valcanton

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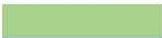


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Délégué	Présence	Substitut	Présence
Nelson Tremblay	x	Jean-François Larouche	
André Élliott	x	Gérard Bégin, invité	
Guy Lamoureux	x	Patrick Paiement	
Félix Guay	x	Alain Shink	
Sylvie Grenier	x	Eloïse Arès-Laprise, invitée	
Manon Luneau		Yves Aubut	
Stéphanie Crête		Stéphanie Crête	
Jean-Christophe Picard		Alexis Fortin	
Benoît Croteau			
Thomas Stevens			
Barbara Hester		Judith Sénéchal	
Johnny Dubé	x		
Frédéric Audet			
Wayne Cheezo			
Sylvie Mailhot	x	Christine Garant	
Raymonde Tremblay		Jacquelin Vézina	
Michel Jégou	x		
Lucienne Anctil		Alain Grenier	
Mathieu Guay		Jules Riopel	
Manon Forget		Manon Forget	
Alain Brodeur		Daniel Tardif	
Jennifer Boucher		Erika Larouche	
Manon Tremblay	x	Marie-Pier Desbiens	
Claudine Desgagné		Lilianne Thibodeault	

Observateur, invité	Présence
Martin Fillion (animateur)	x
Johanne Morasse	x
Isabelle Fortin	x
Julien Second	
Stéphane Ouellet	
Elaine Cyr, invitée	x
Eloïse Arès-Laprise, invitée	x
Gérard Bégin, invité	x

Confirmation de présence ou d'absence

Présence	
Présence par téléphone	
Absence	

TGIRT-EIJB VALCANTON VILLEBOIS

TENTH MEETING

ITEMS	RESULTS OR DISCUSSION SUMMARY	DECISIONS
1. Call to order, introductions	The meeting is called to order at 10:00 AM. The animator introduces himself and asks each participant to also introduce themselves.	
2. Reading and approval of the agenda	The animator reads the agenda. The agenda remains open. At item 11, the information item regarding an identification project with Ducks Unlimited is postponed to a later meeting. At item 11, it was asked to add an item "List of acronyms".	On a motion by Mrs. Mailhot, duly seconded by Mr. Michel Jégou, it is unanimously agreed to approve the agenda with the requested amendments. It was mentioned that a list of acronyms is available on the MFFP site and that it is public.
3. Reading, follow-up and approval of the minutes of the meeting held on October 30, 2017	<p>The participants present at the meeting on October 30, 2017 take a few moments to review the minutes.</p> <p>At item 6, in the second half of the paragraph, in reference to the aspen volume that had no takers, it should read "postpone the harvest in Fénélon since the aspen <u>volume</u> has not found any takers."</p> <p>As a follow-up to item 7, it was mentioned that a request to connect the cross-country ski trails was processed in harmonisation. The trails should be connected and the locality will need to ensure the maintenance. The lease for the cross-country ski club was extended. The trails are still being used. Discussions will take place between the MFFP, the club and RYAM to agree on harmonisation measures.</p> <p>As a follow-up on this item, a correction is requested at the beginning of the second paragraph. It should read "The landscape analysis <u>should continue</u> with software."</p> <p>As a follow-up to item 12.1, it was asked to clarify who must ensure the transmission of the resolution to the MDDELCC, the OBVA and the community of Pikogan. The coordinator will verify with Mr. Julien Second.</p>	On a motion by Mrs. Sylvie Mailhot, duly seconded by Mr. Michel Jégou, it is unanimously agreed to approve the minutes with the two changes requested.
4. Correspondence	The only correspondence received is an email sent to Mrs. Johanne Morasse by the mining exploration company Probe Metals, on January 15, 2018. An officer of the company mentions that there will be exploration work for drilling on its properties located 125 km north of La Sarre. A location map is attached to the email.	
5. Follow-up of the issues	The animator presents the new issues chart and explains the changes made compared to the former VOIC chart. The animator explains the reason for the new chart. Its first goal is to simplify the understanding for all the	The members of the TGIRT will need to revalidate the new chart (yellow boxes) and verify that all issues are present.

delegates. The new chart only groups issues that have been developed directly at the TGIRT. It includes white boxes that reproduce integrally the elements of the VOIC chart. The yellow boxes are suggested rewordings or changes in level (issue, objective, etc.). The animator proposes to the delegates to review the issues and to approve it in its initial form at the next meeting. Afterward, the chart will remain dynamic and evolving. It will be the subject of a mandatory item at each meeting.

A delegate expresses his disappointment regarding the introduction of the new chart, indicating that the issues from the former chart are not all included, including those from the beneficiaries of a supply guarantee. The members of the TGIRT have questions regarding the “means” column and wonder their origin. They state that it is not the members who proposed those elements.

In response, the animator explains that it is not due to the change in the form of the chart but, regarding this specific issue, it was mentioned in the former chart that the issue was not retained by the TGIRT, at the request of the BGA group. However, it is still possible to bring back since, again, the objective of this item is to validate the content of the chart and even add to it if necessary. In addition, it is possible that all issues raised by the panel do not become VOICs in the eyes of the MFFP. This does not mean that we forget them. The animator explains what was established at another panel regarding the issue of the competitiveness of the forestry industry. The BGA did not want to make it a developed issue and obtain a consensus but only to keep an eye on it when the time comes to develop the other issues. In this context, the delegates from the BGA group accept to bring it back in the chart and indicate as a means “Consider this issue when developing the other issues of the TGIRT”. There will be no targets or indicators for this issue.

The MFFP reiterates that the means, indicators and targets will be defined by them but that all proposals brought by the panel will be analysed.

Regarding the issue of conservation of wildlife habitats, some members recognise elements that refer to clauses of the Paix-des-Braves and wonder about the relevance for the TGIRT. The animator specifies that this issue was brought by the joint working group and that they have a delegate seat at this table. The members say they haven’t seen the delegate for several meetings and some elements of the issue were instead brought and explained by a CNG observer. The animator suggests to put the issue on hold by highlighting it in a distinctive colour on the chart until the representative from the joint working group comes back to explain and support it. The

	<p>delegates prefer to remove it from the chart for the time being.</p> <p>Regarding the visual quality of the landscape, a member states that the wording of the needs does not match the objectives that were agreed. The MFFP planner takes the opportunity to discuss the latest work completed by the technical committee and distributes an information sheet titled “Proposed VOIC for the 2018-2023 PAFIT”. She presents the wording of the VOIC along with some indicators and targets agreed by the members of the technical committee (RYAM, MFFP and the vacationers representative), as requested at the last TGIRT following the presentation on the aspects and terms of the VOIC on landscape. The information sheet could not be sent to the coordinator since the meeting of the technical committee took place the previous night to finalise the wording. The members of the panel will not be able to make a decision on this proposal until the next meeting since the delay of ten business days could not be followed. Some members of the TGIRT ask to see the methodology of rating the lakes to better understand (document by Josée Paquette and presentation at the last TGIRT). The presentation is on the FTP site. As for Mrs. Josée Paquette’s method, it will be tabled. Returning to the issues chart, the two objectives related to the visual quality of the landscape are clarified. The members ask for the wording of the VOIC to be reproduced unchanged in the new issues chart. The needs can be validated later, especially with the information proposed by the MFFP planner as the next meeting, based on the work of the technical committee. A representative from the MFFP mentions that the MFFP must also take into account the LADTF to ensure the respect of the visual landscape.</p> <p>The inter-territorial equity was raised by the delegates from the PRAU group. A need and indicator were already written. Some members state that the level of silviculture investment was the subject of a follow-up and the information was given to the members of the operational tables. In reference to the indicator, the MFFP representatives add that it is possible to know the level of investments on either side of the 49th parallel for a same FMU. The delegate from the affected PRAU group mentions that what is already being done, according to the MFFP explanations, is appropriate for her. She is a member of the operational table. It is therefore suggested to state as a need: “Follow-up form the MFFP presented periodically to the operational table”. This seems to satisfy the delegates.</p> <p>Regarding the issue of public safety, the delegates</p>	<p>Present the proposed VOIC regarding the visual quality of the landscape, which could be part of the 2018-2023 PAFIT of FMU 85-51. The TGIRT will validate the means for this issue.</p> <p>The VOIC will be sent to all members of the TGIRT.</p> <p>The MFFP or RYAM will send the methodology from Josée Paquette and the Excel charts.</p>
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	<p>validate the wording of the need and indicator suggested by the coordinator. A means is also introduced: “completing an annual follow-up of the contaminants in the meat of the fish from the resort lakes”. The members of the TGIRT are still waiting for a reply from the MFFP (wildlife) representative, Mr. Julien Second about the study on the mercury concentration and if he did any follow-up with other government entities (ex.: MDELCC).</p> <p>Nothing else is added to the chart for the time being. The animator will forward the updated chart to all members for validation.</p> <p>It was mentioned that the chart will remain active and that all members are invited to add new concerns as meetings take place.</p>	
		The coordinator will contact Mr. Julien Second again.
6. Dead wood issue: 2018-2023 biological legacy retention target	The MFFP planner clarifies the context of this presentation. This VOIC comes from the MFFP and will be integrated in the PAFIT. Its objective is to start a reflection among the delegates to prepare for the next PAFIT. The planner explains what is a biological legacy for this issue and mentions some of the wildlife and vegetal species that benefit from it. She introduces the CRV as an approach to meet this issue. She describes the various types of CRV and the intensity with which the MFFP plans to use this approach. Some questions are asked to the planner. For more information on the dead wood issue, the participants can consult the references indicated at the end of the presentation.	
7. Presentation of the infrastructures (maps of the roads to maintain and develop) (MFFP)	The MFFP planner indicates that this item is related to the PAFIT. She states that the roads to develop that are submitted as part of this meeting are related to the work for the next five years. She explains that the content of the map of the main infrastructures and roads for FMU 85-51.	The MFFP will validate the icon related to the bridge to know what it clearly refers to and bring clarifications at the next meeting.
8. Report on the public consultation (MFFP)	Under the Sustainable Forest Management Act, the integrated forest management plans (PAFI) must be submitted for public consultation. The public consultation	

	on the PAFIO for FMU 85-51 was held from September 25 to October 20, 2017. An information meeting was held on October 2 in Beaucanton and only one person attended. The MFFP collected comments from two individuals and one organisation. One person asked to close the bridge on Trudelle River. Another asked not to have any logging done in his trap line. Finally, it was requested by the CRM to add response areas.	
9. Operational guidelines		
a. Time and progress of the meetings	The animator discusses the time of the meetings and validates the time initially scheduled, i.e. 10:00 AM. He proposes to hold the meetings at a different time if the delegates prefer. The current time seems to be agreeable for the delegates. At a previous meeting, the members had agreed on these meeting times and that the meetings would alternate between Villebois and Beaucanton.	
b. Addition of items to the agenda and tabling of documents	The animator reiterates the requirement to obtain the items to add to the agenda and documents at least ten business days in advance. He reminds also that the documents must be translated. In the case of MFFP documents, they take care of the translation of their documents. For the other participants, the EIJB RG can handle the translation.	
10. Composition of the panel	The animator presents the updated composition. He briefly explains how he did the update and asks if any changes need to be made. The members suggest a few verifications that are noted by the animator.	
11. Information items and requests from delegates	A participant asks if it is possible to obtain a list of acronyms. There is already a list of acronyms used in the minutes and it will be inserted in the next minutes. In addition, a list of acronyms can be placed on the FTP site with the general documents of the panel.	
12. Adjournment	The meeting is adjourned at 12:15 PM.	On a motion by Mr. Félix Guay, duly seconded by Mr. Michel Jégou, it is unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting.

ACRONYMS

BGA:	Beneficiary of a supply guarantee
CNG:	Cree Nation Government
COMEUV:	Evaluation Committee (responsible for examining the preliminary information provided by the promoter of a project located in the territory administered by the James Bay and Northern Quebec Agreement (JBNQA) and located south of the 55 th parallel)
CRV:	Variable retention logging
FHVC:	High conservation value forest
GIRT:	Integrated of resources and land management
EIJBRG:	Eeyou Istchee James Bay Regional Government
MFFP:	Ministère des Forêts, de la Faune et des Parcs
PAFIT:	Tactical plan for the integrated forest management
PAFIO:	Operational plan for the integrated forest management
PFNL:	Non-wood forest product
PRAN:	Annual programming
PRAU:	Logging 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