

SUMMARY MEETING NOTES

Tagish River Habitat Protection Area
Steering Committee Meeting
Kwanlin Dun Cultural Center
February 13, 2018 10pm-2pm

Attendees|

Steering Committee Members:

Mark Wedge CTFN · Margaret Campbell CWS · Johanna Smith YG-EMR · Albert James CTFN ·
Georgianna Low CTFN · Frank James CTFN · Nathalie Lowry CWS

Observers|

Randy Taylor CTRRC · Paul Dabbs LAC

Other Staff|

Tess McLeod YG-ENV

Welcome

Opening Prayer

Approval of the January meeting notes and agenda

- Addition to the agenda: review the Briefing Document updates made since February 2, 2018.

Updates

- Paul gave the Local Advisory Council (LAC) an update on some of the key recommendations. Still waiting on direction from the parties in some cases.
 - If the LAC would like the Tagish River Habitat Protection Area Steering Committee (SC) to meet to discuss this together that can be organised.
- The Tagish Local Area Planning Committee meeting was moved from January to March.
 - The meeting aim is to approve the draft plan to take out to the public for review.
- Neil McGrath sent a request to the SC regarding his master project. He would like to engage with SC members on Traditional Knowledge and how it has been incorporated into the Tagish River HPA planning process.

Briefing Document Update Review

- After the special meeting on February 2, 2018 edits to the Briefing document were made and sent out to the SC for further review and approval.
- Final edits will be made to the Briefing Document and shared with the SC for final review.
- Once we have approved the final draft of the Briefing Document, SC members will approve the document through their respective governments.

- **Next Steps**
 - While the Briefing Document is being routing internally within the three governments, the SC will continue to work on the other draft recommendations as well as discussing implementation steps.
 - SC members chose different sections of the draft management recommendations to further research and to present ideas on implementation to be discussed at the next meeting;
 - Overarching Recommendations
 - Climate Change
 - Water Quality and Quantity
 - Wildlife - Birds
 - Wildlife - General
 - Fish
 - Shoreline and Waterfront Use
 - Boating
 - The SC will aim to have a presence at the Tagish Swan Ceremony in the spring (April) as well as to plan community engagement events in June/July.
 - YG will continue to work with CTFN to collect heritage and cultural information about the Tagish River.
 - The next SC meeting is scheduled for March 13.

- **Closing Thoughts and Prayer.**