

Strategic Discussion Items with the Board February 13, 2020

Where do we think we should spend our time over the next three years?

- **Continue to develop/evolve our Natural Resource Management Framework (finalizing framework, seeking to fill in knowledge gaps, etc.)**
 - In collaboration with Ministry officials.
- **Engage with Ministry officials in the Fort Saint John LRMP Update Process**
 - ensure the mandate and vision for the M-KMA is preserved in the planning process and participate in any decisions as to the M-KMA as a potential stand-alone planning unit.
- **Engage with First Nations, through ministry facilitation, under the FS John LRMP Update process**
 - To engage with First Nations under the LRMP and M-KMA processes to further explore addressing their aboriginal and treaty rights and interests in the M-KMA.
- **Re-establish and nurture working relationships and communication protocols between the Board and Government managers and staff (resource activities authorized in the short term are monitored by the Board based on reporting protocols developed in partnership with MFLNRO managers and staff. From time to time, Board representation on Northeast and Omineca Manager's committees)**
 - To improve communication between ministries and the Board to ensure current and timely information sharing.
- **Continue to create clear, meaningful and measurable advice to assist decision makers with adjudicating anticipated forest harvesting proposals in the M-KMA (Fox/Obo, Halfway, others?) drainages (Landscape Unit Objectives) and for any other proposals that may arise;**
 - To address anticipated First Nations Woodland Licenses and industrial forestry operations implementing Chief Foresters AAC determination for the Mackenzie TSA.
- **Maintain a renewed and reinvigorated relationship with UNBC including renewal of the Protocol Agreement and Endowment between UNBC and the Board**
 - Continuing what we have already commenced with UNBC.
- **Complete Mineral Exploration advice**
 - Completing a commitment made by the Board several years ago.
- **Maintain a healthy and functioning governance structure including the creation/confirmation and implementation of member competencies.**

- To create transparency and clarity on the process the Board uses to appoint and re-appoint Board members. Potentially an amendment to our Business Practices document.
- **Update the Advisory Board's Strategic Direction and Operational Business Plan by developing and implementing a 3-year strategic direction and operational business planning cycle;**
 - Our plan was last updated in 2015.
- **Over the longer term, recommending a monitoring program to assess if our Natural Resource Management Framework and advice are creating anticipated results and their alignment with the Act's preamble in the field.**
 - Long term goal although we are heading down that path with the Wilderness Working Group and thresholds/targets.

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