

**WSP Team Meeting Minutes
December 15, 2009**

Agenda Item	Discussion Comments	Action Items
ATK Discussion (Wellsley)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Wellsley has not received comments on the ATK deck presented at the last meeting. ○ Melody and Kim spoke about Local knowledge on the agenda for the Barkley Sound Knowledge Symposium, Feb 9-11, 2010 (http://www.westcoastaquatic.ca/barkleysymposium/) ○ Possible opportunity to collaborative work on Barkley. Kim suggested Mark Saunders though this was a good opportunity to take advantage of. Contacts Tom Oakey and Katherine Wallace from the West Coast Aquatic Management Board. ○ Mark may have \$ set aside for this type of collaboration on ATK. 	<p>Wellsley to discuss local Knowledge Symposium in more detail with Mark Saunders in early January.</p> <p>Wellsley to schedule Operations Committee meeting to discuss scope of WSP – ATK work by April 2010.</p>
Consultations (Deborah)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Paul Ryall made a WSP presentation to the Integrated Harvest Planning Committee (IHPC), Nov 26th, 2009 ○ Kim Hyatt presented Ecosystem approach under Strategy 3 to the Salmon Advisory Group. ○ Dave Peacock provided a Conservation Unit (CU) presentation to the Skeena Watershed Committee ○ Based on the team's discussion the WSP team will continue with this approach to making presentations and gathering feedback from stakeholders ○ Template for stakeholder feedback to be explored by the WSP Team at the next meeting. ○ It is the responsibility of DFO staff making presentations on WSP to capture feedback from stakeholders, in writing, and submit it to the WSP team, by the next scheduled WSP meeting. 	<p>Wellsley to circulate notes from IHPC WSP presentation</p> <p>Kim Hyatt to provide written notes before the next WSP meeting. Kim to follow-up with David for written notes.</p> <p>Wellsley to send a copy of a suggested stakeholder feedback template to the WSP team before the next meeting.</p> <p>Policy to follow-up with Blair re: Yukon CU paper consultations in January.</p> <p>Deborah to update WSP consultation calendar prior to next meeting.</p>
WSP Review (Wellsley)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Strategy 6 commits to independent review of WSP by June 2010 ○ No progress on evaluation note to the RDG due to policy team transition of WSP file ○ Awaiting PFRCC evaluation framework (to be released in Dec 2009) 	<p>WSP Team to review PFRCC draft framework following its release</p> <p>Lisa/Wellsley to complete an evaluation decision note and send a copy to the team as an fyi by the end of February.</p>

Judicial Inquiry (Wellsley)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Judicial Inquiry announced by the PM Nov 5th, 2009 ○ The Regional Judicial Inquiry team, in coordination with NHQ, is responsible for making sure that we are acting in accordance with the <i>Inquiries Act</i>. ○ Judicial Inquiry team is drafting a TB submission to seek additional resources. ○ Currently, the operational impacts to the WSP team are unclear and need to be discussed. ○ At this time, we have been directed to continue with business as usual. ○ Where our work involves stakeholder engagement and directly links to the inquiry we should seek guidance from the Judicial Inquiry team and Senior Management briefings may be required. 	<p>WSP workplanning session should be scheduled by Lisa for February. Team should review the WSP work plan with the Inquiry in mind</p> <p>Policy to keep the WSP Team informed of any challenges with completing WSP implementation tasks due to the Inquiry.</p>
Web Mapping Application Presentation (Dwight McCullough)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Intended as a readily accessible website for all WSP products. To help improve government transparency. ○ Linkages with other data sets, not a duplication of mapster or other data applications. ○ OHEB staff received training. Interest in training for staff and external parties, more discussion should take place about this at the next WSP meeting. ○ At present the application is a shell that needs to be populated with information. ○ Barkley Sound information to be uploaded this year. Money put aside to upload 3 habitat status reports this year. ○ Responsibility of Strategy leads to send the data for uploading to Dwight eg. Blair's Yukon CUs. 	<p>Heather to send Melody and Wellsley the original spreadsheet outlining the web application priorities in December.</p> <p>Status on budget proposal and estimate of cost for the Yukon CUs requested by the team. Melody to work with Dwight to glean this information by January.</p> <p>Group to discuss how often we update the webmapping application and understand the cost associated at the next Team meeting.</p>
Strategy 1 Update (Ray Lauzier for Neil Shubert)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hardcopies of Habitat Indicators paper being mailed today. Translation of abstract already completed ○ No update on Yukon CU progress or new Strategy 1 working group 	<p>Ray to send Wellsley link for Habitat indicators paper to be posted on WSP website in January.</p> <p>Ray to distribute Habitat Indicators Paper to distribution list next week and include in next quarterly newsletter</p>
Strategy 2 Update (Melody)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Melody Farrell followed up with Bruce Adkins in regards to ATK considerations for Habitat Status Reports ○ Margaret Wright working on 1st habitat status report, a facilitator has been secured ○ Discussions to involve First Nations, possible pilot 	<p>Melody to circulate the statement of work for the Sarita River to the group in advance of next meeting</p>

	<p>opportunity for ATK on the Sarita River project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Expecting significant resources for Sarita River Watershed Habitat Status Reporting 	
Strategy 3 Update (Kim)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Response of the Salmon Advisory Group to the Strategy 3 presentation was generally positive and there seemed to be an overall understanding of the approach that was presented. o Kim clarified to the Salmon Advisory group that we will not be able to implement the entire approach all at once. o Sector specific implications of the Strategy 3 Ecosystems approach will need to be identified, as the WSP Team is not in a position to be prescriptive. o Lisa, Kim, and Melody attended a Provincial <i>Water Act</i> Modernization meeting last week. Potential opportunity to link with WSP. 	<p>Kim to write Ecosystem discussion paper and deliver to WSP group in mid- January 2010</p> <p>Kim responsible for workshop similar to Strategy 1 Habitat Indicator Workshop to be set up for late February/early March</p>
Strategy 4 Update (Corey)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Paul Ryall now working on Inquiry full time. o Corey Jackson to fill in on WSP team for Paul. Corey responsible for PICFI co-management, links with work on pilot projects. <p>Barkley Sound</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o At a recent knowledge symposium Don Hall from the Nuchah-nulth Tribal Council identified \$ for Barkley Sound harvest monitoring o PICFI likely to provide additional \$ for a facilitator o WCVI wants to see more of DFO, interested in clearer understanding of how WSP will affect the status quo o Corey in communication with Ben Hoffman and Don Radford, re: ensuring flow of information about the Barkley Sound pilot o Josh Korman has been contracted to start work on the Barkley production planning model for Chinook; obtaining data from internal staff has been a challenge o Contract underway with Gardiner-Pinfold for economic analysis of Barkley Sound CUs o Upcoming Barkley Sound Steering Committee next week. o Barkley Sound Knowledge Symposium organized by Aquatic Management Board in early Feb. 2010 <p>Fraser River Salmon Spawning Initiative (FRSSI)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Joint DFO and First Nation group discussion regarding upcoming FRSSI Forum meeting. o Paul Ryall may be able to participate. <p>Skeena</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Corey attended meeting in Terrace. o DFO is only one player in the Skeena Watershed process. o Moore Foundation providing significant funding o Good modeling taking place on the technical side 	<p>WSP team to discuss challenges related to developing benchmarks in data poor areas in further detail at the next WSP meeting.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Other issues exist regarding socio-economic implications ○ Concerns with regards to Chinook methodology, short-term vs. long term modeling. ○ A challenge existed since GIS maps for this area are dated and CU updates and changes aren't showing up on the current maps ○ Also finding it difficult to develop benchmarks in areas that are data poor, there is a need to capture additional information. 	
Next Meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ To be scheduled for end of January ○ Introduce Lisa Wilson as Amy's replacement while on maternity leave as of Dec 1st ○ Review Kim Hyatt's Ecosystem Approach discussion paper. ○ Discuss Web mapping priorities and what we would like to see happen next. 	

Attendees:

Melody Farrell, OHEB
 Shaun Davies, North Coast
 Wellsley Hamilton, Policy
 Kim Hyatt, Science
 Deborah Phelan, Policy
 Corey Jackson, FAM
 Ray Lauzier, Science

Guests:

Dwight McCullough
 Heather Stahlberg