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Subject: RE: "First Nation FSC Catch Monitoring and Reporting: Preliminary Considerations, Standards and Recommendations"

Thanks Colin,

I wasn't suggesting removing the section just that some of the phrasing should be changed. Sue has indicated that the document needs internal review before sharing and I agree. Happy to discuss.

From: Masson, Colin
Sent: Sun 04/10/2009 2:37 PM
To: McGivney, Kaarina
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Subject: RE: "First Nation FSC Catch Monitoring and Reporting: Preliminary Considerations, Standards and Recommendations"

Kaarina:

Of course it is possible to 'tone down' the section on collaboration, however, to remove it would seem to me to be truly ironic, given that is the main point. Both Dave and I spent an considerable amount of time talking to both First Nation and DFO individuals on both sides of constructive and contentious DFO/FN relationships. Our most common observation was where both parties really worked to understand the others interests, culture, underlying objectives, and, could agree to put things on the side in order to focus on common interests, then little progress could be made. Where we have so many First Nations more concerned about government interference than supporting catch monitoring (because they agree with and support the need for accurate reporting), I believe it is imperative to actually talk about how to develop more constructive and collaborative relationships openly with First Nations.

My understanding of a 'broader framework' and as we discussed at our meeting 10 days ago, is one that would include information about various tools to facilitate the appropriate level of monitoring. Tools would include: descriptions of catch calendars; the Atleget data system (including FSC fishery management tools such as permitting and tracking of food fish into the community); the CREST Data system; FN Data Management Advisors and more specific catch standards for each type of fishery (shellfish, groundfish , etc). I see this first paper, as the basis for all of the other information. Is it not useful to first share this paper which discusses the kinds of information and the fundamental rationale for collecting it (i.e the what and the why) rather than laying out a complete framework that minimizes the opportunity to more fully enable the FNFC to play an important supporting role, perhaps even demonstrate leadership in that regard. The current version does introduce all of those tools and lays the foundation for what I think could be useful dialogue on the challenges and opportunities to moving forward together.

I'll be in RHQ on Monday and would be available in the am to discuss this further.

Colin Masson

From: McGivney, Kaarina
Sent: Friday, October 02, 2009 4:03 PM
To: Bate, Angela; Masson, Colin; Farlinger, Susan
Subject: RE: "First Nation FSC Catch Monitoring and Reporting: Preliminary Considerations, Standards and Recommendations"

I have scanned it quickly - it is a well written and organized document. The only part that raised some questions for me about sharing it at this time was the whole section on collaboration. I've pulled ome specific statements out below.

" FSC fisheries are a constitutionally protected communal right. "

Commitment to the Collaborative Relationship

It is important to consider the relationship between First Nations and DFO with respect to power and commitment, wherein power is the ability to effect or prevent change. The means by which we express power and commitment is complex. It is important that the participants acknowledge that relationships can and must evolve.

Both DFO and First Nations must agree on a common understanding of collaboration. Both must identify their requirements within this relationship and be willing to seek and commit to collaborative solutions to common problems. Once common objectives are identified, the development of appropriate standards and monitoring programs can occur.

The two action items from the previous meeting were for DFO to respond to the Commitment to action document and to provide the draft of the catch monitoring framework for the next meeting. This FSC standards document is not the catch monitoring framework. I think it would be better to not provide this document until the broader framework document was ready.

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From: Bate, Angela
Sent: October 2, 2009 1:06 PM
To: Masson, Colin; McGivney, Kaarina; Farlinger, Susan
Subject: Re: "First Nation FSC Catch Monitoring and Reporting: Preliminary Considerations, Standards and Recommendations"

Hi,
I have not reviewed this paper as this is the first time I've seen it. Colin is wondering about how to get this to Paul and whether to present to the FNFC on Monday. (Sorry for semi-incoherent message...)

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From: Masson, Colin
To: McGivney, Kaarina; Farlinger, Susan; Bate, Angela
Sent: Fri Oct 02 10:49:34 2009
Subject: "First Nation FSC Catch Monitoring and Reporting: Preliminary Considerations, Standards and Recommendations"

Ladies:

We have completed a final draft of this discussion paper and as we have discussed, believe it is ready to share with First Nations and staff. Over the past 8 months, many staff including RMs, Area Aboriginal Advisors, Science and TAPD, have been involved in providing input to this document. In addition, I have held internal workshops in the areas on FSC catch monitoring and 2 regional workshops over the past 2 years, all of which have helped to shape this paper. Given Dave Lightly's career spent primarily working with FNs on management and catch monitoring related activities, he has also directly helped to develop a document and approach which we believe will resonate with First Nations and especially those who have community fishery management responsibilities and

their technical advisors. Kelly Fransis has also assisted with final edits and suggestions over the past week.

It is a discussion document and does not provide explicit monitoring standards to cover every individual FSC fishery, but does provide a consistent framework with which to develop monitoring programs across all fisheries. It is consistent with the approach that I am taking for the "Roadmap Strategy" project and is essentially the same approach as the Interim Commercial Salmon Catch Monitoring Standards, previously released for discussion and guidance. Indeed much of the information and approach is the basis of generic standards for all fisheries which is the underpinning of the Roadmap Strategy.

The intent is to seek input from the FNFC on how best to assist us in moving forward. A general response from them on the document before its broad distribution is also advised. I see the opportunity for the FNFC to provide leadership on this issue, starting with placing it on their upcoming forum agenda. Dave Lightly may be a useful champion for them, in that regard and I am aware that he has been having initial discussions with some FNFC reps.

It is my understanding that the RDG will be meeting directly with FNFC reps on Monday. This would be an excellent opportunity for him to provide this to them directly. Please advise me if you require any additional information and/or assistance in forwarding this doc.

Note some minor corrections and improvements to the Figure 1 graphic are currently being made and will be inserted as soon as available.

Cheers

Colin m <<First Nation FSC Catch Monitoring Engagement Paper draft 18_.doc>>