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Forest Genetics Council—Meeting June 13, 2007

Meeting held by conference call

Attending: Dale Draper, John Elmslie, Frank Gundersen, Gary Hogan, Scott King, Joe Leblanc, Mike Madill, Al McDonald, Bruce MacNicol, John Phillips, Annette van Niejenhuis

Regrets: Mike Carlson, Chris Hawkins, Alvin Yanchuk,

Others: Keith Thomas, Jack Woods

Guests: Brian Barber

Action Items

Responsibility	Action
FGC	Discuss continued subprogram reviews at the September 19, 2007 meeting in conjunction with receipt of the 2006/07 FGC Annual Report

Summary of Motions Carried

1. **MOVED** (MacNicol / Hogan): Minutes of the meeting held December 13, 2006 are hereby approved. CARRIED
2. **MOVED** (Leblanc / Draper) that there being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 10:30 AM. CARRIED.

Meeting called to order at 10:15 A.M. by John Elmslie (Co-Chair)

At the request of the Co-chairs, John Elmslie and Dale Draper, Jack Woods was asked to chair the meeting.

Agenda adopted as presented

1. Approval of March 14, 2007 minutes

1. **MOVED** (MacNicol / Hogan): Minutes of the meeting held December 13, 2006 are hereby approved. CARRIED

2. Update on the Genetic Resource Management Challenge Dialogue – Brian Barber

The GRM Dialogue has now proceeded through an initial review of a Challenge Paper by the community of practice. Substantial input was received, and a second challenge paper was prepared for distribution to a broader set of stakeholders. To date about 30 responses have been received from a variety of people from different organizations. At the current time, the Dialogue Champions are soliciting input from additional people to ensure representation from key groups and individuals.

A stakeholder workshop to discuss input will be an important next step. There was agreement that the workshop will be held on September 18th (the day prior to the next FGC meeting) in Richmond (venue to be determined).

Information from the Challenge Dialogue process will support development of a new FGC Strategic Plan.

3. Whitebark pine workshop

Jack Woods announced that a workshop on whitebark pine will be held from August 21 to 24 at Whistler. The workshop is being organized by the Extension TAC and the Genetic Conservation TAC, and is intended to facilitate discussion among a variety of stakeholders interested in the conservation and management of WB pine.

4. Request from Jim Snetsinger to continue subprogram reviews

In a letter dated March 30, 2007 (sent with this document as a separate attachment), Chief Forester Jim Snetsinger encouraged Council to continue the good business practice of periodically reviewing subprograms. In the last 2 years Council has reviewed Pest Management, and is currently in process with a review of the Genetic Conservation subprogram.

There was agreement in principle among Council members to continue subprogram reviews, but a decision on how to proceed and on which subprogram(s) might be reviewed was deferred to the September FGC meeting, and will be discussed in conjunction with receipt of the FGC Annual Report for 2006/07.

5. Motion to adjourn

2. **MOVED** that there being no further business, the meeting was declared adjourned at 10:30 AM. (Joe Leblanc / Dale Draper) **CARRIED.**

Challenge Dialogue Workshop September 18, 2007

Next FGC meeting September 19, 2007

Minutes prepared by Jack Woods

