Nash Stream Citizens Advisory Team Meeting Minutes July 11, 2008 2:00 to 4:30 PM

Attendees: Fred King (Chair) Ted Burns Ken Desmarais Brendan Prusik

Phil Bryce Dave Dumais Dave Goulet John Lanier Carolyn Livingston Dave Falkenham Maggie Machinist

- Fred King opens the meeting
- Review of minutes from January 2007 meeting o Minutes accepted
- Management Activities review and future management plans
 - o 1120 acres of Inventory in 200/
 - \$20,000 in road work on main road (mowing, grading, re-routing, drainage work.
 - o Early Successional Habitat work in Nash Bog
 - Planning more early successional habitat work in Moran Notch and on Bag Hill (20 acres of field opening and early successional habitat work)
 - The first impassable culvert was removed for the trout habitat restoration project. Culvert replacement work is planned for Long Mountain Brook and Johnson Brook in late summer 2008.
 - Future timber harvests in Compartment 10 (sold to AB Logging to be cut winter 2008/2009) and in Compartment 22 (currently being marked, planned for summer/winter 2009-2011).
 - An estimated 900 mbf of sawlogs and 6000 cords of pulp will be cut between this winter and 2011
 - 3 miles of truck road must be upgraded to accommodate the Compartment 22 timber sale, estimated cost is \$20,000.
- Discussions ensued about allowable cut, should it be higher than the current 3000 cords per year
- Discussion about timber sale revenues and where they go and what they pay for.
- Camp owner issues
 - Bruce and Nancy Fillmore made a presentation about replacing their camp with an entirely new one. The argument being that building a new camp would be less expensive and environmentally less intrusive then trying to piece meal repairs on an old camp.
 - The Fillmore's are aware of the new shore land protection laws and they will be putting the new camp further from Nash Stream.
 - The new camp footprint will be slightly larger than the old; however it is still within the 1000 Sq. Foot regulation.

- Prusik asks about the term of the lease
 - The leases are 5 years long.
- Bill Carpenter will send a copy of the lease agreement to the committee members.
- Lanier feels that the camp owners should have a means to re-build their camps if the agency deems it necessary on a case by case scenario.
- DRED Recommends a re-build but is looking to the committee for input
- All camps are to be kept consistent with their intended rustic use.
- Discussion about the states responsibilities towards the camp leases
 - Will the state have to pay the camp owners for the camp structure if the lease is terminated, especially if the camp has had major renovations or a complete re-build?
- Fred King feels that the language in the lease agreement should be very clear stating that if the lease is terminated the camp owner is responsible for removing the camp structure at their expense.
- The terms of the lease can be changed by going to the G and C.
- John Lanier motions to approve the Fillmore camp re-build, keeping in mind that they follow all regulations of the lease agreement. In the future the Advisory Team will look at major renovations and re-builds on a case by case basis at the discretion of the Dept. of Resources and Economic Development, Division of Forests and Lands.
- Dave Goulet seconds the motion.
- Ted Burns and Fred King feel that the committee should only look at camp rebuilds if the Division of Forests and Lands feels it is necessary.
- Motion Approved.
- Discussion about camp water systems
 - Bill Carpenter mentions that the current water systems are Grand Fathered into the system.
 - If problems arise, they will have to be addressed and fixed using current DES regulations. The current systems can be fixed, but Bill asks that the camp owners not go overboard.
- Camp lease rates are discussed.
 - Should we be adjusting the rate?
 - Should it be a flat rate for every camp or should the rates be scaled?
 - The Division may consider hiring a consultant to assess camp leases and their associated rates.
- ROW issues and land purchases
- ROW possibility on the Paradis Lot in Stark, will access 1700 acres in Stark.
 - This is a new item and more information is needed before proceeding.
- Harrigan Lot in Columbia, 50 acres that abuts Nash Stream.
 - The lot is currently held by SPNF who is looking to sell to us.
 - Purchase will secure a snowmobile trail and some high elevation late successional hardwoods.

- o Trails Bureau has committed money to the land purchase.
- Bouthillier Lot, 250 Acres that abuts Nash Stream. Purchase of this will secure a snowmobile trail and some forestry management area.
- Harrigan lot is a priority due to our relationship with SPNF.
- The Committee supports the purchase of the two mentioned tracts of land.
- Dave Goulet motions to approve and Ted Burns Seconds the motion.
- All in favor.
- ATV Trails
 - Maintenance of the ATV Trail system is still the responsibility of the NH Dept. of Trails as far as the club knows. No Trails Bureau members were available for comment.
 - Some of the bridges on the trail are in disarray and seem to do little in diverting water so these bridges will be gotten rid of and the ditch will be filled in.
- Next meeting and field tour?? Phil will set this up.
- Bill Carpenter thanks Camp owners for their cooperation and willingness to work together.
- Phil Bryce presents Fred King with a plaque thanking him for his support of the work of the Division. Of Forests and Lands.
- Fred King is retiring and not running for another term in office.
- Fred King Adjourns the meeting at 4:20.