

**BONNECHERE RIVER WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN  
STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC)  
Minutes of Meeting #15 – Feb 13, 2008  
Eagles Nest, Eganville**

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**Attendees:**

**SAC:** Don Pouliot, Ross Campbell, Murray Borer, Lucy King, Murray Bimm

**Algonquins of Pikwàkanagàn:** Jan Leroux

**MNR:** Paul Moreau, Joanna Samson, Tom Giesler

**Waterpower Producers:** Jeff Featherston (RPG), Frank Scheer (Eganville Generation Corporation), Janusz Rydel (Multistream Power Corp.), Andreas Vornweg (Vornweg Waterpower),

**Invited Speakers:** Julie Smith, Parish Geomorphic

**Guests:** Dave Lemkay (Golden Lake Property Owner's Association)

**Regrets:**

Niall McArdle, Aurel Boucher, Steve Munger

**1. Housekeeping Items**

1.1 Introduction of Julie Smith (Parish Geomorphic) & Dave Lemke (Golden Lake Property Owners Association)

Michael Radford introduced Julie Smith to the SAC. He also referenced that Dave Lemke from the GLOPA was planning on coming to the meeting because Steve Munger was unable to attend.

1.2 Review of Agenda

No items were added to the agenda.

1.3 Other

Michael Radford introduced Tom Giesler, Senior Lands Tech with MNR, to the group.

Michael also handed out expense sheets to SAC members as required.

**2 Review & Approval of Minutes of Meeting #14 – Jan 16, 2008**

page 2 – last paragraph under RPG update was amended to read... *“He noted that having the low water level in Golden Lake has been beneficial in terms of ice push because there was not any firm ice.”*

Joanna Samson updated an Action Item from the last meeting regarding the ESTN that was done last summer on Golden Lake. Erin Malloy has agreed to come to the next meeting, or a future meeting to discuss the results of the ESTN.

**3 Operations Update – Power Producers**

**RPG – Jeff Featherston:**

- Still lots of water flowing, Renfrew is at 100% production
- Lakes are going down – Round Lake is aggressive at 7cm a week, Golden at 3cm a week
- Holding pulls at Round so that Golden can catch up
- We are well into the ice study; 3 spots on Golden Lake and 3 on Round Lake
- Finally starting to see a shoreline bond
- We will continue drilling and will present data to consultant. We are getting help from both Round and Golden Lake folks, and we will be collecting their information come spring.

**Eganville – Frank:**

- Things are starting to drop
- Lack of freezing in front of intakes, which is abnormal

**Vornweg Waterpower - Andreas:**

- Not much water, no extra flow
- Water level was quite up and down in January
- Typically nothing will happen now until the spring
- This has been a normal winter in terms of production

**Multistream (Douglas) - Janusz:**

- Plant is at full capacity, lots of water over the weir
- 1 and a half logs are out
- Been finding beaver sticks in trash rack
- Starting to get the usual winter fluctuations with cold nights and warmer days. Seeing 15-20cm fluctuations. Temperature needs to be below 20dC to see fluctuations.
- We had a couple of short power outages, enough to raise the pond
- No frazil ice formation this year

**4 Erosion Presentation**

Michael Radford introduced Julie Smith from Parish Geomorphic and went around the table so that the SAC members could introduce themselves to Julie. In addition, Dave Lemke joined the group and was introduced as well.

Joanna will include a copy of the presentation “Dynamics of Erosion on Rivers & Lakes” with the minutes.

Julie went through the presentation answering questions as they arose. Good discussion was generated around frazil ice. The question as to whether frazil ice melted quicker than regular ice was asked, however, Julie was not sure of the answer.

Additionally, discussion regarding net loss of sand occurred. Don Pouliot expressed his opinion regarding a net loss of sand into the lake out of the bottom, that erosion was filling the lake, but Julie did not agree with this necessarily as there are a number of factors that need to be considered.

## **5 Next Meeting Date & Agenda**

April 23, 2008 – 6pm Eagles’ Nest.

Possible Agenda:

- Golden Lake ESTN summary – Joanna to verify with Erin Malloy
- Summary of Compliance – Tom
- Bonnechere Plan Amendments – Status update

Murray Borer brought up the 1<sup>st</sup> Chute Waterpower Development as he had been getting questions about it. He inquired as to whether the SAC would be involved in that process, and if so, when and where that involvement would come into play.

**ACTION: Joanna – find out about the SACs role in the process and RPG & WESAs (consultant) game plan in terms of their involvement.**