APPENDIX 5. Summary of Public Comments and Response

Prior to the public consultation period, meetings were held with the local forest licensees active within the Landscape Unit and First Nations. Meetings were also held with the Ministry of Forests staff. Mineral tenure holders were advised of OGMA placement. Comments received were addressed wherever possible.

Public Comments

No comments were received on this plan from the general public. A copy of the advertised plan was mailed to the Kludahk Outdoors Club on March 27, 2006 who requested a copy during the review and comment period.

Government Agencies

The Ministry of Forests and Range expressed concerns regarding timber impacts of OGMA. Adjustments were made to individual OGMA to reduce timber impacts over the planning area.

Forest Tenure Holders

Some adjustments were made to the advertised OGMA in response to operational information provided by licensees that denoted harvest opportunities within portions of some OGMA. These adjustments were small in area and primarily rationalizing boundaries to be operationally feasible on the ground.

First Nations

Several OGMA were specifically adjusted or added in response to input from First Nations. Other smaller scale adjustments were made based on discussion of the plan with First Nations.