

**Cranbrook West Recreation Advisory Committee**  
**Action Items**  
**June 26, 2006, 7:00 – 10:00 pm**  
**Prestige Inn, Cranbrook BC**

**Attendance of Plan Signatories:**

Steve Flett, ILMB – Chair	Jeanette Sissons, CBK Chamber of Commerce
Sangita Sudan, ILMB	Jim Campbell, Purcell Hut Association
Andy Balcom, Kimberly W & W Club	Ken Philpot, Cranbrook Snowmobile Club
Dave Miller, BC Snowmobile Federation	Leanne Colombo, GCC
Donna Morrison, Kootenay Livestock Assoc.	Norm Walter, RDEK
Earle Tatlow, CBK Rod & Gun Club	Rick Hammond, Kootenay Quad Club
F J Hurtak, Kootenay Wildlife Heritage Fund	Tom Blom, BCWF/EKWA

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**Observer:**

Brad Park, Calamity Creek Outfitter  
Dave Reeves, Former Rep. on RMS West  
Andrew Whale, Regional Manager ILMB  
Pamela Cowtan, Team Leader-east Kootenay

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**1. Welcome**

**2. Approval of April 19<sup>th</sup> minutes**

- “Action Item” were approved as the new format for meeting notes;
- May 11, 2006 minutes were approved.

**3. Updates**

- KBMC/CWRAC June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting
  - FJ went over what was discussed at the KBMC meeting.
  - Managers reviewed and provided input on the Concept Paper and question;
  - They saw a need to improve Communication on trench restoration and other issues.

**ACTION:**

  - a) **Invite Rieva McCuaig, Regional Agrologist to speak to questions in Concept Paper.**
  - b) **Leanne to locate copies of “Blueprint For Action” report for next meeting.**
  - c) **Sangita to investigate sending information on CWRAC milestones through newspaper media, and continue updating website with minutes/action items.**
  - d) **CWRAC members to communicate milestones through their constituents.**
  - e) **Steve to provide updates to website with any access changes as they apply to CWRMS (e.g. road closures).**
- MOFR Range June 11<sup>th</sup> meeting
  - Steve provided brief update.
  - Main objective of meeting was to address issue of improving communication on restoration initiatives currently ongoing in the trench. Meeting may be held twice a year.
- Weed Warriors activates

- Leanne provided update on how weed warriors were established. They are a local group that coordinates and plans for weed management in the area. See website for weed pulling dates.

**ACTION: Sangita to forward website to CWRAC.**

- Calamity Creek CR Tenure

- Brad Park was invited to sit at the table and answer the committees' questions. He provided a summary of how he will meet MOE guidelines and downsize his current base camp at Dewar Creek to a spike camp and remove structures from the spike camp on the west Fork. The information he provided at the April 19<sup>th</sup> meeting was incorrect because that is what was conveyed to him. However he appreciates all the hard work by the committee to protect the backcountry from over use and thus preserving the experience. He suggests that a defined process on how proponents address the CWRAC needs to be defined. That due to the lack of this he was going back and forth between the committee and MTSA which in the end was inefficient and resulted in a lot of misunderstandings.
- A quorum was not reached. Only 11 members were present at this time. Andy Balcolm arrived later.
- The committee decided their recommendations have been addressed by MOEs referral response. The cabins will be located in the "front country".
- The general consensus was that a quorum can only be achieved if members provide reasonable notice prior to the meeting or send their alternates. Several members did not contact the Chair.
- Therefore despite not reaching a full quorum and based on the information provided by both Brad Park and the MOE referral, the following members agreed to zonation change: Norm, Tom, FJ, Leanne, Rick, Donna, Jeanette, Earle, Ken, Dave M and Jim.

**ACTION: Steve will draft a recommended response in favour of the new camp from the table to ILMB Regional Manager and MTSA.**

- [www.recplans](http://www.recplans) website

- The website is now live.
- FJ, Ken and Dave suggested that other sources be looked at for advertising information relevant to the CWRMS (i.e. in newspapers under sections where ad would be visible)

**ACTION: Sangita will investigate.**

#### 4. Old Business

- **CWRMS implementation work plan**

- **Prioritization:**

Four working groups were discussed: Zonation Working Group, Commercial Recreation Tenures Working Group, Intensive Use Area Working Group and a Communications Working Group.

- **Confirm working groups:**

Not enough members were present to allow for full participation in order to achieve balanced representation. Draft Terms of References for each working group will be sent out to the table and discussed further at the next meeting.

**ACTION: Sangita to write up Draft Terms of References, in order of priority for the Commercial Recreation Tenures, Intensive Use Area and Zonation Working Groups.**

- **Determine agency participation:**

Each working group will identify required levels of agency participation and input.

➤ **Schedule meetings/field trips:**

This will be discussed as the needed by the working groups.

**The next CWRAC meeting date will be scheduled for this summer. Date to be announced.**