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Special informal Trustee Meeting called on July 10th, 2023, all trustees were in attendance.

The purpose of this meeting is to update trustees on the topics discussed at the various meetings with the Hatzic Lake Watershed Recovery Group, attended by Dave Scott, Operations Manager and Deb McKay, Trustee/Chair, as representatives for DAID.

Deb McKay opened with information that at the July 7th, 2023 virtual meeting, it was agreed that a new name was needed, because the watershed encompasses more than the lake area, the agreed upon name is now Hatzic Watershed Stewardship Team (HWST). Also covered was the topic of available funding for projects that would be most beneficial to the farming community, this would require DAID to partner with other members of the team, the date to start the process by submitting an Expression of Interest (EOI) is August 1st.

Dave Scott discussed how partnering would be beneficial and believed that the most important project for DAID, would be the expansion to the pumpstation infrastructure, however Urban Systems will also be reviewing DAID's needs in case there are other projects that would also qualify for funding.

To help better understand the process, a copy of the recent HWST meeting minutes has been attached.

After some discussion with trustees, it was agreed to proceed with:

Motion: To submit Expression of Interest that DAID is in favor of being lead applicant for the expansion of infrastructure under DAID's purview.

Rick Dekker/Ray Boucher

Opposed: None

Motion: Adopted

Meeting Adjourned: 7:50pm



Hatzic Watershed Stewardship Team Draft Minutes

Date: July 7, 2023

Time: 10:00-11:00

Location: Virtual

In Attendance:

Mission: Mike Younie

Fraser Valley RD: Cory Cassel, Hugh Davidson, Jennifer Kinneman

Leq'á:mel First Nation: Tina Pederson

EMCR: Kirsten McMenamie

ENV: Thyren Jacobs

Dewdney Area Improvement District: Dave Scott, Debbie McKay

Ministry of Agriculture: Dylan Sherlock

Co-Chairs: Rick McKamey, Leq'á:mel First Nation; Jennifer Kinneman, FVRD

Minutes	
Agenda	
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Ministry of Agriculture Presentation – Fraser Valley Flood Mitigation Program (Dylan Sherlock)2. FVFMP Grant – Expressions of Interest – (Hugh Davidson, FVRD)3. Poll Results: New Table Name – (Jennifer Kinneman, FVRD)4. DFA Status – (Dave Scott, DAID; Jennifer Kinneman, FVRD)5. Other	
1.	Ministry of Agriculture – Presentation – Fraser Valley Flood Mitigation Program – Dylan Sherlock <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Shared website and email address https://iafbc.ca/fraser-valley-flood/ Dylan.Sherlock@gov.bc.ca• Program to offer funding (\$15M to community scale projects (small to medium projects of up to \$5M) and remainder of funding to on-farm programs – small scale flood mitigation)- up to \$250,000 for planning activities• Types of projects are quite broad• Consideration of collaboration (opportunities for nature-based solutions, agriculture focused program), space for creativity (what kinds of solutions, issues, needs)• Expression of interest- high-level summarizing of intent/scope of project• Outreach being done: Shared through farming networks, local government contacts, asking others to share
2.	FVFMP Grant – Expressions of Interest – Hugh Davidson (FVRD) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Leq'á:mel First Nation and FVRD have been in conversations with a consultant re: to establish priority projects for Hatzic watershed. Consultants have grant writers who could assist and meet August 1 deadline

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- DAID reps confirmed they have reached out to consultant with potential projects, expressed interest in them, requires a winter of acquiring data
- Individual farmers can apply for riparian projects through EFPP, cost share in Fraser Valley is being increased to 90%
- The consultant would be working alongside the stewardship team, DAID- lead applicant, other parties form partnership
- \$5M scale for community-based project
- It was noted that if DAID has a need, FVRD will extend the consultant services to help put together an expression of interest for August 1.
- Jennifer Kinneman will schedule a meeting with Urban Systems, DAID, FVRD and Leq'a:mel to discuss potential projects for EOI.

EOI needs to include:

- Funding stream and project type. Project location.
- A concise project description.
- An indicative project cost.
- A list of project partners.
- Proposed impacts.

3. Poll Results: New Table Name – Jennifer Kinneman (FVRD)

- Jennifer Kinneman shared that Hatzic Watershed Stewardship Team was the top vote-getter and will be the new name for the group.

4. DFA Status – Dave Scott (DAID); Jennifer Kinneman (FVRD); Homeowners DFAs (EMCR?)

- What is the scope of private DFAs and where are they at in terms of processing?
- Asked for DFA rep to come to next meeting and talk about process/timelines
- Hugh Davidson is looking for aggregate data: How many DFAs have been applied for in Area F? How many have been approved/denied? Dollar value? Where are they in process?
- DAID advised their DFA claim has been paid out as of last week
- FVRD has several DFA applications outstanding; Jennifer Kinneman will follow up with Graham Daneluz on the status of the Cascade Creek application being approved and how that impacts the Area F service area budget that covered the costs in advance.

5. Other

- Stewardship Team Scope and Terms of Reference - want to get consultant involved (sign off on contract on July 27)
- Toad Bridge- representatives from Associated Engineering identified bridge was undersized. Need to communicate to MOTI that bridge needs an upgrade, could include for toad crossing. Kirsten McMenamie and/or Jennifer Kinneman will follow up with MOTI to attend next meeting.



Action Items

- AGR (Dylan Sherlock) to follow up with Hugh Davidson on timeline for FVFMP funds to be spent
- FVRD (Jennifer Kinneman) to arrange a meeting with consultant, DAID, Leq'á:mel, H. Davidson, C. Cassel and other interested parties re: August 1 expression of interest
- EMCR (Kirsten McMenamie) will follow up re: aggregate data on DFA claims
- FVRD (Jennifer Kinneman) will follow up with Graham Daneluz on the status of the Cascade Creek application being approved and how that impacts the Area F service area budget that covered the costs in advance.
- FVRD (Jennifer Kinneman) to invite MOTI (Phu Bui) to next HWST meeting.

Next Meeting/Call:

- Friday July 21, 2023 @ 10:00am – 11:00am

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dylan Sherlock", is located in the bottom right corner of the page.