

Freshwater-Alexander Bays Ecosystem Corporation (FABEC)



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Date: August 26, 2015

Meeting: Monthly

Place: R. E. Stroud Building

Time: 7:00 P. M.

Present:

Kevin Stroud	John Hollohan	John Baird	Alice Hollohan	Max Feltham
Sandy Feltham	Scott Pritchett	Derek Stewart	Harvey Garrett	

Agenda:

- Mollyguaieck Falls 2015 project.
- 1st and 2nd Burnt Ponds.
- ASCF visit August 20, 2015.

Motion: To adopt the agenda as discussed
Moved by Alice Hollohan
Seconded by Max Feltham
Carried

Motion: To adopt the minutes of regular meeting of August 5, 2015
Moved by John Baird
Seconded by John Hollohan
Carried

The latest salmon counts as of August 23, 2015 compared to same date prior year:

	<u>2015</u>	<u>2014</u>
✓ Terra Nova River	5086	3527
✓ Middle Brook	3710	3076

Mollyguaieck Falls 2015 Project:

- ✓ The project continues to operate with few logistical problems. The fishway is 5 Km from the nearest road and the project employees are travelling over the 5 KM of barrens, woodland and bogs with little problems. The trail from the forestry road to the fishway is now well established.
- ✓ In early September it is planned to resupply the MFF camps with fuels and various camp items by means of helicopter and at the same time to remove all accumulated garbage that resulted from the camp renovations and operations.
- ✓ The fishway count trap went into operations on July 30, 2015 and as of August 26, 2015 the following are the fishway count numbers:

	<u>Size</u>	
	<u>≤63 cm</u>	<u>>63 cm</u>
Salmon	262	32

The largest salmon to date is 81cm with the majority in the 50 to 60 cm range. Water

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- temperature is in the 21°/22° range and water levels are dropping daily in the fishway.
- ✓ The project is on budget.
- ✓ FABEC has acquired ownership of the MFF camps and equipment.

1st and 2nd Burnt Pond:

There is concern with trout anglers that the trout population in the Burnt Ponds is in danger of collapse. FABEC has contacted Robert Perry and requested that a trout survey be under taken in the spring of 2016 to ascertain the status of trout stocks in the area.

Atlantic Salmon Conservation Foundation:

ASCF provided a grant to FABEC in the amount of \$26,270.00 towards the MFF 2015 Project. On August 20, 2015 Krystal Binns, Program Coordinator with ASCF visited FABEC for a progress report on the project. The meeting covered supplier contracts, financial records, fishway report and various FABEC meeting minutes and correspondence. ASCF indicated satisfaction with FABEC and the project and FABEC is now able to do a second progress invoice along with a midterm project report.

DFO fishway Contracts:

The fishways on the lower Terra Nova River and Middle Brook will close on September 11, 2015 for the season.

The next regular monthly meeting will be 7:00 PM, Wednesday September 30, 2015 at the R. E Stroud Building in Glovertown.

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