

## **Freshwater–Alexander Bays Ecosystem Corporation**

Date: July 27, 2011 Meeting: Regular Monthly  
Place: R. E. Stroud Building Time: 7:30 PM

Present:

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| Gil Stone  | Kevin Stroud |
| Rudy Davis | John Baird   |

**Motion:** To adopt the agenda as discussed

Moved by Gil Stone                      Seconded by Rudy Davis  
Carried

**Motion:** To adopt the minutes of the special meeting of May 6.

Moved by John Baird                      Seconded by Gil Stone  
Carried

### **New Business**

#### **Salmon Retention Limit on Terra Nova River**

For the past year or two, because of increasing returns, there has been some discussion about promoting higher salmon retention on Terra Nova River – from 2 to 3 or possibly 4. There was consensus that FABEC will have this on the agenda for a meeting this fall. The meeting will be advertised publicly and one or more resource people will be invited to attend, for example, Chuck Bourgeois of DFO, Don Ivany of the Atlantic Salmon Federation, and/or Don Hustins of the Salmonid Council.

#### **Five-Year Forest Management Plan**

FABEC and Corner Brook Pulp and Paper have signed an MOU regarding logging road construction and decommissioning in the area of Square Pond and First Burnt Pond. Request Corner Brook Pulp and Paper has agreed to maintain a 100-m no-cut buffer from the shorelines of Middle Brook and First Burnt Pond. It intends to develop winter roads only near Pussel Pond and Middle Brook but if this is not possible will work with FABEC to come up with a solution to discourage vehicle access into the area.

#### **Cottage Development Areas**

A letter was sent to Jonathan Grandy of the Land Management Division of the Department of Environment with recommendations on areas that should be excluded and not excluded from cottage development. Mr. Grandy was invited to FABEC's June meeting but indicated verbally he would not be able to until the fall.

#### **Fishway Counts**

As of today, July 27, the salmon count on Terra Nova River was 3,496. On Middle Brook it was 1,859.

#### **River Monitor Activities**

Monitors on the Terra Nova River have collected 15-20 salmon samples so far this summer. On Middle Brook the fishway attendants have collected 35 samples.

**HST Rebate**

Gil Stone will check to see if FABEC is eligible to receive a 50% rebate on HST.

**Upper Fishway**

Concerns have been raised about the security of salmon in the pool at the outlet of the Upper Fishway. Kevin Stroud will investigate if this problem has been corrected.

**Next regular meeting will be Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup> at the R. E. Stroud Building, Glovertown. Starting at 7:30 PM.**