

Freshwater – Alexander Bays  
Ecosystem Corporation

Date: November 23, 2005  
Meeting: Regular Monthly  
Location: R. E. Stroud Bldg.  
Time: 7:30 P.M.

Present: Scott Pritchett      Steve Way      Gordon Stewart  
          Gil Stone                Thomas Hounsell      Kevin Stroud

Moved by Gordon Stewart  
Second by Steve Way

That we adopt the Agenda as discussed.      Carried.

Moved by Gil Stone  
Second by Thomas Hounsell

That we adopt the min. of our meeting of Oct 26 as presented.  
Carried.

Discussion:      Again we discussed the Hook & Retain and the  
Hook & Release areas on the Terra Nova River....Starlight  
Pool down stream to Tobin's Pool.

- Problems:    1.    More enforcement needed  
                  2.    Signage needed  
                  3.    Hard date to open the area to Hook & Retain  
                  4.    Go back to Hook & Release only!  
                  5.    Open all the area to Hook & Retain after a  
                      hard date

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That DFO be asked to place signage in this area to inform  
the public the Hook & Retain and the Hook & Release  
areas and to have more enforcement in the area during  
the upcoming season.      Carried.

Discussion: Again the area “mouth of Maccles Brook and the mouth of Honey Buns Brook” Jigging problem.

1. This area be “dry fly fishing only”.
2. 8-10 charges were laid for offences in this area. More enforcement needed?
3. Letter / Press release in May to Hi-light the problem and some options.

To be discussed again!

A review of the SCNL AGM at Square Pond on Nov 4-6

Discussion: River Monitor Program for 2006

Our program for 2005 was a great success.

In 2006:

1. We plan to apply for 3 FABEC, 3 ABTNDA, and 4 GIBDA, a total of 10 students.
2. We are asking Service Canada (HRDC) for 35 hours per week for each group, for the maximum period. We want to cover the Salmon Season June 15 to September 7, 2006. (some students will start on June 15, while others will start later to finish on September 7).
3. FABEC will again put funding towards the program; transportation up river, gas, supervisor, etc.
4. In 2006 we plan to cover a. the lower Terra Nova River, b. up river to the lower fishway, c. Maccles Brook, d. Northwest Brook (Alexander Bay), e. Middle Brook, f. Gambo Brook, and g. Mint Brook.
5. This year 2006, we will be providing assistance to Inland Fish & Game; Robert Perry, in doing a survey for his Department. Perry in turn will assist us with; Funding, Transportation, Gas, Meals, ATV.

We will be meeting with:

- Gambo – Indian Bay Development Association RE: the above
- IF&G
- Service Canada (HRDC)

Discussion: Repairs/reconstruction, the upper fishway on the Terra Nova River. Brian Tobin, DFO in his presentation agreed that this fishway require major repairs/reconstruction. There will be an Engineer looking into the design, etc. this coming summer (2006). The required repairs/reconstruction will be done between 2007 – 2009.

“Magic on the River”

This in a program for the youth, teaching them about: Salmon, Trout, fly tying, casting, and they get a chance to fish. We should look at this program for this summer. Jim Crewe of GRMA has a copy of the program for us.

Green Team Project – Habitat Restoration of Northwest Brook

1. Application to the Conservation Corps
2. Memo to MHA Paul Oram for financial support
3. Memo to Superintendent of the Terra Nova National Park for the loan of some equipment.
4. Application to DFO for authorization to do the work required.

DFO enforcement workshop on November 24, at the Lions Bldg. in Gander starting at 9:30 A.M.  
Steve Way and Kevin Stroud Attending.

Discussion: Compliance Monitor Program

The finances needed to operate this program are just not within our reach at this time, to be considered later.

**Our next meeting will be on January 25, 2006 at 7:30 P.M. at the R. E. Stroud Bldg.**

TOPICS:

- Salt Water Enforcement (problem areas)
- Guest Berkley Slade “signage” and “New Management Plan”

