



Conseil Cris-Québec sur la foresterie
Cree-Québec Forestry Board

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Mr. Grand Chief, Ms. Minister:

On June 10, the members of the Cree-Québec Forestry Board held a meeting in which they agreed to inform you regarding two specific resolutions the Board recently passed to foster the harmonious implementation of the adapted forestry regime in the Territory of the Agreement.

The first resolution was required in order to facilitate and accelerate the approval of the changes brought to the 2008-2013 General Forest Management Plans, which needed to be implemented according to a tight schedule. It was thus decided that:

Board members agree that JWG's will receive copy of the GFMPs or of their modifications as soon as these plans are recognized conform according to the provisions of Chapter 3 of the Agreement.

The MRNF will inform JWG's of the modifications or adjustments made to the plans as they occur while it is finalizing the conformity analysis of said plans.

The parties agree that the 30-day period for the JWG review of the plans will start to run when the plans conform to the provisions of the Agreement are officially transmitted to them.

(Resolution: 2009-02-04/7.2*)

Proposed by: Mario Gibeault
Seconded by: Benjamin Loon
Carried unanimously.

The second resolution relates to the evolutive framework of the adapted forestry regime. Indeed, over the last year, the ministère des Ressources naturelles et de la Faune initiated a process to simplify certain administrative standards and procedures pertaining to the management of Québec forests. In this activity, the parties discussed the application of some of the measures proposed by the government, within the framework of the adapted forestry regime.

The Agreement's signatories having agreed that the forestry regime that applies to the Territory would evolve, the members adopted the following resolution:

Board members propose and recommend that

The MRNF proposal regarding the implementation of partial cuts may be applied in the Territory of application of Chapter 3 of the Agreement, including in wildlife interest sites (25%), and that the treated areas be statistically counted in accordance with the approach presented in the proposal.

(Resolution No. 2009-02-04/8.1*)

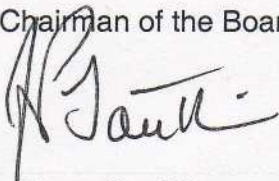
Proposed by: Mario Gibeault
Seconded by: Isaac Voyageur
Carried unanimously.

In the coming months, following the recent tabling of the bill on the occupation of the forest territories, the representatives of the parties will be called upon to discuss in detail the application of this reform's elements in the Territory of the Agreement. The Board will cooperate with great interest in exploring, together with the representatives of the Parties, the components of the proposed project and informing the Parties when the time comes.

Rest assured that you can count on my full cooperation as well as that of every Board member.

Yours truly,

The Chairman of the Board



Jean-Pierre Gauthier