

Cowichan Watershed Board Meeting Minutes

November 6, 2010
9:00 am to 11am) followed by field trip.

Location: Riverwalk Café, Quw'utsun Cultural and Conference Centre 200 Cowichan Way, Duncan BC.



Participants: Board Members: Rob Hutchins Co-chair, David Anderson, Ross Forrest, Bruce Fraser, Lori Iannidinardo, Klaus Kuhn, Tim Kulchyski, Lorna Medd, Don Radford, David Slade
 Technical Advisory Committee Members: Tom Anderson Paul Fletcher, Larry George, Carol Hartwig, Brian Houle, Dave Lindsay, Geneen Russo, Tom Rutherford, Gerald Thom, Sean Wong
 Special Advisor: Arvid Charlie

Coordinator: Rodger Hunter

Guests: Pat Lapcevic Ministry of Natural Resources Operations, Nanaimo, Mike Wei Ministry of Environment, Victoria, Kate Miller CVRD, Alison Nicholson

Agenda Item	Notes/Decisions/Actions
1. Welcome; Introductions, Invocation; Opening Remarks	Co-chair Rob Hutchins welcomed Board members, Technical Advisory Committee Members, Special Advisor Arvid Charlie and guests.
2. Approval of Agenda	Arvid Charlie offered welcoming remarks and a prayer.
3. Approval of Minutes of Sept. 9/2010 meeting and update on Business Arising from Minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Integrated Flood Management Application • Fundraising 	The agenda and minutes were approved and the coordinator provided and brief update on the Integrated Flood Management Application. Decision: Comments on fund-raising were deferred to the next agenda item.

<p>4. Current Financial Situation and Status of Fund-raising efforts</p>	<p>Warren Jones and the Coordinator discussed activities to achieve funding for a three year period. Proposed sources of funds for each of 2011, 2012 and 2013 as proposed are attached. It was noted that a CVRD resolution would be required to apply for access to the Regional Strategic Initiatives and Innovations Funds. Decision: The funding proposal was approved as presented.</p>
<p>5. Presentation on Groundwater</p>	<p>Pat Lapcevic and Mike Wei made a very informative presentation on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • basic groundwater (using a groundwater model); • groundwater resources of the watershed; and the Water Act Moderation with reference to specific recommended actions in the Cowichan Basin Water Management Plan.
<p>6. Field Trip including</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Cowichan Tribes Hatchery, ➤ Chesterfield and Lakes Road area, ➤ JUB facility, ➤ Quamichan village, ➤ Cowichan estuary, ➤ Sh-hwuykwselu (Busy Place) Creek 	<p>JR Elliott, Tom Rutherford, Arvid Charlie, Clay Reitsma, Tim Kulchyski, Sean Wong, Lori Iannidinardo and the Coordinator led/co-led discussions at the various stops. At the end of the trip Rob Hutchins requested that members give some thought possible targets that could be established related to the sustainability of the watershed. Decision: Target setting to be discussed at next meeting.</p>