

MEETING NOTES

Port Community Liaison Committee - Delta

Meeting:	#48
Date:	Monday, June 10, 2019
Time:	Breakfast: 7:30 am Meeting: 8:00 am – 10:00 am
Location:	Delta Community Office (5223 Ladner Trunk Road, Ladner)
Facilitator/Chair:	Michelle LeBaron
Coordinator	Mandy Ellis
Attendees:	<p>Members:</p> <p>Community Representatives Leslie Abramson, Ladner Roger Emsley, Tsawwassen Mark Gordienko, Tsawwassen Robert McCandless, Tsawwassen Frank Rogers, Tsawwassen</p> <p>Organizations Greg Andrew, Westshore Terminals Tom Corsie, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Marko Dekovic, Global Container Terminals Bernita Iversen, City of Delta Garry Shearer, Delta Chamber of Commerce Michelle LeBaron, facilitator Steven Stark, Tsawwassen First Nation</p> <p>Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Mandy Ellis, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Naomi Horsford, Manager, Municipal and Stakeholder Relations Duncan Webb, Manager, Emergency Management</p>
Regrets:	Kate Hagmeier, Environmental Representative Dennis McJunkin, North Delta Noel Roddick, Delta Farmers' Institute Patrick Thompson, Tsawwassen Gord Westlake, B.C. Rail Company

#	Agenda item
1. Introductions	
1.1	Michelle introduced Steven Stark, Tsawwassen First Nation and Duncan Webb, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority.
2. Presentation	
2.1	<p>Duncan Webb, Manager, Emergency Management, Vancouver Fraser Port Authority Presentation on Emergency Management</p> <p><u>Q&A highlights</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leslie asked about fire boats for the City of Delta, and commented that City of Delta used to have police presence on the water. Duncan responded that fire response on the river is an area VFPA is looking at, working with the municipalities. Steven noted that Delta police are on the river but are only called out in the event of an emergency (i.e. they don't patrol). • Leslie asked if individual terminals have a safety plan on site. Duncan noted that there is work towards an integration of plans, and that overall all terminals require their own plans. Duncan referred to the many multi-agency external emergency management committees that VFPA participates on throughout the region, such as the "Maritime Commerce Resumption Planning" that promote integrated planning. • Garry asked about responsibility/jurisdiction in case of an explosion incident on a terminal. Duncan explained that the terminal operators are responsible to contact emergency responders e.g. fire/police, who would then lead incident response. • Marko asked what is the difference between the Delta community office and the RBT2 office. Duncan responded that the RBT2 office is the project office. • Referencing the slide on "External Emergency Management Committees" Steven Stark asked about Tsawwassen First Nation representation. Duncan noted that there is a staff representative on the Roberts Bank Emergency Management Working Group, and that additional representation would be welcomed. • Robert asked if VFPA has a formal agreement with the provincial government, with respect to emergency management. Duncan responded that there is no formal agreement in place currently. • Robert asked if the matter of acquiring municipal fire boats requires political direction. Duncan said that it may be a political matter. • Robert asked about dangerous goods. Duncan spoke to the emergency exercise planned for September that will focus on this. Marko noted that Global Container Terminals knows the general contents (i.e. what is dangerous goods) but that specific information about the contents is classified. • Garry asked about fire response on the marine side. Duncan spoke to training/familiarization tours VFPA has coordinated for first responders, working with the terminal operators. • Bernita asked in the event of an incident at Annacis Island, what authority would lead response. Duncan responded that in the event of a spill incident, Coast Guard would lead the response. • Leslie asked where Coast Guard would be deployed from. Duncan responded Sea Island. • Bernita asked about the recent barge fires. Naomi noted that the terminal operator undertook a review of this incident and are taking action to prevent

	<p>events like this in the future.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leslie commented that she feels the Fraser River was better patrolled in the past. • Greg asked at what level BC Ferries is involved. Duncan responded that VFPA is starting to work with BC Ferries. BC Ferries are members of both Roberts Bank Emergency Management Working Group and the Marine Emergency Response Coordination Committee. • Steven commented that Tsawwassen First Nation has passed regulations to create an organization responsible for stewardship of the waters and first response within their traditional territory.
3. General Business	
3.1	<p>2019 PCLC Recruitment Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Frank was appointed to the PCLC Recruitment Committee. It was agreed that Mark also attend interviews so that there will be continuity for future recruitment periods. • Frank and Robert asked whether their terms were up. • <i>Post-meeting follow-up regarding committee terms of service and composition: The following five committee members will cycle off in September 2019:</i> <i>Frank - Tsawwassen</i> <i>Kate – environment representative/Ladner</i> <i>Leslie – Ladner</i> <i>Patrick - Tsawwassen</i> <i>Robert – Tsawwassen</i> <i>Roger – Tsawwassen</i> <p><i>Both Mark and Dennis joined the committee in September 2017, and therefore are due for renewal.</i></p> <p><i>As we over-recruited in 2017 after agreeing there should be committee member continuity, we will be recruiting in September for five committee positions (four new community-at-large members, and one community member specialized in an area of the environment).</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Post-meeting follow-up regarding composition of the 2019 PCLC Recruitment Committee: One business representative will be appointed at our August 29 meeting.</i> • Committee members agreed that the channels for publicizing were adequate as proposed. Committee members are encouraged to share application details within their networks once advertisement materials are ready and shared. <p><i>ACTION: Mandy to circulate application advertisement/details for members to share within their networks.</i></p>
4. Correspondence	
4.1	<p>Community - General & PCLC email</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mandy provided an overview of the noise enquiries received from a resident since the April meeting, as well as a high level overview of the steps taken including generating and sharing with the resident a noise summary report with data for the timeframes provided. • There was discussion that Tsawwassen First Nation community members may

	<p>be enquiring to the VFPA through other channels, not being captured in the report provided to PCLC members. Naomi noted that the enquiries presented at PCLC are enquiries submitted to the VFPA Community Feedback Line channel.</p>
<p>5. Reports</p>	
<p>5.1</p>	<p>Port update, Naomi Horsford</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See port update in meeting materials. <p><u>Q&A highlights</u></p> <p>Deltaport Truck Staging Area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leslie asked specifically what is being done for the Bald Eagles that have nested on the truck staging area site as the eggs will be hatching soon. • Steven asked if there are perching stations on site. • Post-meeting follow-up: We are able to confirm that the project team has already identified a similar concern and have been proactively working to address any potential impacts on the birds. The team has created a detailed, site-specific Raptor Nest Management Plan that will be followed throughout the project, and will be conducting bird nest surveys and bird monitoring in accordance with Environment Canada and provincial guidelines. Currently, no direct impacts to bald eagles or the nest identified within the project site are anticipated. • Post-meeting follow-up: Currently, there are no perching stations on site. <p>RBT2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Marko commented that while public hearings conclude on June 24, presenters will have the opportunity to make closing remarks. • <i>Post-meeting follow-up: The Procedures for Closing Remarks can be viewed on the CEAA website at https://www.ceaa-acee.gc.ca/050/documents/p80054/129849E.pdf. Those who registered to participate in the public hearings (all sessions) are able to submit closing remarks by August 26. Following the close of the public hearing record, the review panel will write a report with recommendations and submit it to the Minister of Environment and Climate Change Canada who will issue a decision regarding the project.</i> <p>ECHO</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roger asked if VFPA will be compensating vessels asked to slow down. Roger commented that he has spoken with a local vessel agent who says there needs to be compensation to ask vessels to slow down. • Post-meeting follow-up: In support of the port authority-led ECHO Program, Transport Canada will be providing a reimbursement package to help defray the cost of participating in the 2019 extended voluntary vessel slowdown trial. There was no reimbursement package in 2018 and the ECHO Program recorded a high participation rate of 88 per cent in the slowdown. In 2017, there was a small stipend offered to trial participants by the port authority, however many organizations did not accept the stipend. This information is available in the 2017 voluntary vessel slowdown trial summary report (p.20) here: https://www.flipsnack.com/portvancouver/echo-haro-strait-slowdown-trial-

	<p>summary/full-view.html</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Robert commented that industry should be kept accountable. • <i>Post-meeting follow-up: On May 10, 2019 five marine industry associations, Pacific Pilotage Authority and Vancouver Fraser Port Authority entered into a five-year commitment with the Government of Canada to continue the existing voluntary work of the ECHO Program. This agreement confirms the industry's commitment to supporting the recovery of southern resident killer whales and formalizes the parties' participation in the port authority-led ECHO Program. This agreement complements the commitments of the ECHO Program and the program team continues to work collaboratively with our partners and advisors to advance ECHO Program projects and initiatives. See the May 10, 2019 media release that refers here: Marine industry and government sign five-year commitment to continue voluntary measures to protect Southern Resident killer whales</i> • Naomi said that we have seen a high level of participation from the shipping community for the slow down trials, which we see as a good testament to industry's commitment/interest to be environmentally responsible. • Frank commented that VFPA has received a lot of publicity for the ECHO program. • Greg asked if Pacific Pilotage Authority is involved. Mandy responded that the trials are within mandatory pilotage areas, and that BC Pilots have been a big part of the program.
5.2	<p><u>Committee member enquiries</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • n/a
5.3	<p><u>Delta Community Office report</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Naomi spoke to recent and upcoming events. • Greg noted that Westshore will once again be offering terminal tours to the public, starting on July 6. Naomi said that the Delta community office can help publicize these tours (posters and our newsletters/distribution list).
6. New Business	
6.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • n/a

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48	3.1	Mandy to confirm committee members' terms.	Mandy E.	Complete
48	3.1	Mandy to prepare and circulate advertisement/PCLC application requirements and details for members to share within their networks.	Mandy E.	In progress
47	3.1	Patrick to send article ideas to committee members for feedback.	Patrick T.	In progress
47	5.1	VFPA to provide DFI comments regarding the Westham Island Canoe Pass Tidal Marsh project to habitat enhancement team.	Mandy E.	Complete

46	3.2	VFPA to follow up with HEP team regarding South Arm Jetty Tidal Marsh project and engagement with DFI.	Mandy E.	Complete
44	3.1	Review Terms of Reference and provide suggested changes to Michelle for review and feedback.	Mandy E.	Complete
44	7.1	Invite presenter on the Fraser River Estuary and the Western Sandpiper to a future meeting.	Mandy E.	Complete
43	5.2	Follow up with project team regarding report referenced in response to member enquiry.	Mandy E.	Complete
40	5.1	Presentation to PCLC regarding ECHO Program Vessel Slowdown Trial once results have been received.	Mandy E.	Future meeting
35	2.2	Provide formal presentation on salinity study and next steps.	Leisa L.	Future meeting
33	4.1	Presentation to PCLC regarding the Fraser River including the port's jurisdiction and long-term strategies.	Mandy E.	Complete