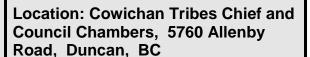
Cowichan Watershed Board Meeting

DRAFT Minutes

November 3, 2011





Participants: Chief Lydia Hwitsum, Mayor Rob Hutchins, David Anderson Mayor Ross Forrest, Lori

lannidinardo, Tim Kulchyski, Klaus Kuhn, Lorna Medd, Don Radford, David Slade

Guests: Dr. Nicole Vaugeois (Vancouver Island University) and students, Pat Lapcevic (Ministry of

Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations), Lynn Magee, Vancouver Island Health

Authority.

Regrets: Bruce Fraser, Darin George

Meeting Chair: Chief Lydia Hwitsum

1.	Welcome; Introductions, Invocation; Opening Remarks	Chief Lydia Hwitsum welcomed the Board and guests and David Anderson offered the invocation.
2.	Approval of Agenda	The agenda was approved as presented.
3.	Approval of Minutes of Oct. 6, 2011 meeting and update on Business Arising from Minutes:	The minutes were approved with a correction to an error involving attendees. Rob Hutchins reported on a productive meeting with Catalyst Paper between several Watershed Board members and senior managers which took place on October 28, 2011 and also noted that the Coordinator had provided an update on the Watershed Board's activities to the CVRD Regional Services Committee on October 26, 2011.
4.	Consideration of Tourism Circle Route and rural economies in the watershed.	Dr. Nicole Vaugeois made a presentation on and evaluation of the Pacific Marine Tourism Circle Route. The evaluation project took place during the week of October 24, 2011 and was carried out by Dr. Vaugeois and 10 Tourism graduate students from VIU. LINK.
5.	Groundwater Update	Pat Lapcevic provided an update on the groundwater assessment that the MFLNRO has been conducting on behalf of the Watershed Board. LINK The work will continue to the end of February at which time a final report will be completed. The Board hopes that it will be successful in its request for Regional Priorities and Innovation Gas Tax funding so that it can continue to assemble much needed groundwater information including an understanding of the interaction between