



# Director's Corner

## Wells Gray Country-Electoral Area 'A'

### TNRD

TNRD BOD's Meeting Highlights March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009

Policy Review Committee started the day off on Thursday morning. Of note was a recommendation to have the TNRD Chairman, when available, attend meetings with Electoral Area Directors when meeting with MLA's, MP's and government ministers. The authority and recognition attached to the chairman's position should lend significant support when directors must meet with representatives of higher levels of government.

During the afternoon board meeting once again solid waste management was a topic of significant discussion. The TNRD will be applying to the 'Building Canada Fund' for two region wide projects with significant price tags attached. It should be noted that these projects are mandatory in order to meet provincial solid waste management requirements.

1. The establishment of eco-depots and upgrades to transfer stations - estimated project cost \$10 to \$11 million.
2. Landfill closures and front end upgrades - estimated project cost \$9 - \$11 million.

If successful the funding will help ensure taxation rates for solid waste management can be maintained at a reasonable level. Site acquisition for the Clearwater Eco Depot has not yet been finalized and with ongoing negotiations no information as to location can be released at this time. The Barriere Eco Depot is planned for the Tolko property to the south of Barriere. Some of this property (9 hectares) resides in the Agricultural Land Reserve. The TNRD is now making application to the ALR to have this designation removed, or failing that allow development within the ALR.

Advisory Planning Commission appointments will be made at the next board meeting and Area 'A' still has a few vacancies to fill. If you are interested in becoming a member of the planning commission please contact me ASAP.

On Friday March 13<sup>th</sup> a workshop for directors was held at the TNRD. Updates were provided on the TNRD Solid Waste Management Implementation Plan. The next topic was future library capital projects. Once the North Shore library in Kamloops is completed smaller library facility work will proceed. Discussion was around which one first, general consensus was to next proceed with the Cache Creek library replacement. Staff also sought direction as to where to proceed with the Community Wildfire Protection Plan, Tussock Moth Regional Forest Pest Management Service for Private Lands and the final version of Official Community Plan and Zoning Bylaw amendments. Recommendations from the workshop will be coming forward to a TNRD Board of Directors meeting in the near future.

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