

Human Well-being Baseline Workshop Summary

March 7th, 2008

Location: Blue Horizon Hotel, Vancouver

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Working Group

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HW02- Workshop Summary - Outcomes

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Duration: 9AM to 3PM

Location: Blue Horizon Hotel, Vancouver

Hosted by: Human Well Being – Program Steering Committee

Facilitated by: Alex Grzybowski, EBM WG Executive Director

Presentations by: Neil Philcox and Sheltair

Total Participants: 16 (See notes for detailed list)

Notes: David Flood – HWB Project Committee

Morning portion of the session focused on providing context and origins of indicators found in Schedules C/G along with Phase 1 outcomes of the Rubus Report leading up to this project.

Sheltair provided a presentation on indicators that gave insight on the required considerations and criteria that support effective indicator selection. This allowed participants to further identify interests and key outcomes that enable an effective story to be generated out of the indicators.

The afternoon focused on reviewing 39 preliminary indicators proposed by Sheltair that would be further assessed for suitability following the workshop. As a first point of contact between Sheltair and the HWB PSC this allowed for active discussion enabling key priorities and theme areas to be generated in order to move the baseline project forward.

Discussion included key indicator selection criteria:

Importance of indicator relevance for selection; filtered by availability of data, scale, and cost of collection.

- 1) Directly linked to EBM
- 2) Linked and relevant to EBM
- 3) Causal to EBM

Outcomes of discussion:

1) Categories for indicator grouping: 5 Theme Areas were identified.

Context: Maintain for those broad indicators that are not in a community's direct control.

Economic: Access to resources, Diversifying Economy, Employment: by sector (by age/demographic), Wages and Income

Governance: Co-management arrangements, Revenue share, Referrals capacity, Consult/Accom./Technical Support Agreement, Common Areas Agreements, Treaty Process - status

Culture: Language, Presence of the resource, Use of the resource, TUS or equivalent.

Social: Infrastructure, Health -Life expectancy and Birth Rate, Education.

2) A total of twelve action items were recorded for the HWB Project Committee to work with Sheltair in furthering the project along in the next set of tasks involved in the project.

3) Participant messages:

- Communication of EBM WG project outcomes and LRF decisions across; communities, stakeholders and leadership will be required.
- The system of collaborative decision making beyond March 31, 2009 will continue to evolve; this process has been ongoing for the last 12 years.
- The inputs or data collected must ensure utility and relevance to source; ie: community or other scale of information.
- Recognized that the baseline project and indicators proposed with recommendations for implementation in a close out report will go forward to the LRF for a decision.
- Focus on a balance of indicators that will assist with monitoring trends but also process and strategy outcomes.
- Ensure the suite of indicators can be effectively used to tell the story of HWB related to EBM on the Central and North Coast.
- In developing surveys or identifying information sources it is critical to ensure that information collected is sourced and relevant to First Nations and coastal communities.