

CABINET MINUTES

May 5, 2004

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Honourable Gordon Campbell	(PREM)
Honourable George Abbott	(SRM)
Honourable Bill Barisoff	(WLAP)
Honourable Pat Bell	(MoS-M)
Honourable Shirley Bond	(AE)
Honourable Susan Brice	(MoS-MH&AS)
Honourable Graham Bruce	(SD&L)
Honourable Ida Chong	(MoS-W&SS)
Honourable Tom Christensen	(MoE)
Honourable Christy Clark	(CFD)
Honourable Murray Coell	(CAWS)
Honourable Rich Coleman	(PS&SG)
Honourable Gary Collins	(FCR)
Honourable Stan Hagen	(HR)
Honourable Mike de Jong	(MOF)
Honourable Kevin Falcon	(MoT)
Honourable Colin Hansen	(HS)
Honourable Roger Harris	(MoS-FO)
Honourable John Les	(SB&ED)
Honourable Joyce Murray	(MS)
Honourable Geoff Plant	(AG)
Honourable Linda Reid	(MoSECD)
Honourable Sandy Santori	(MoS-RD)
Honourable Rick Thorpe	(PR)
Honourable John van Dongen	(AFF)

Members Absent:

Honourable Sindi Hawkins	(MoS-IGR)
Honourable Richard Neufeld	(EM)

A. CABINET MINUTES:**1. Minutes of Meeting: April 21**

Approved.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**2. Government Caucus Committee: Communities & Safety - April 22**

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Government Caucus Committee: Economy and Government Operations - April 27

The Chair reported the Committee's approval of the revised water rental schedule, based on nine categories. Cabinet approved the recommendation, provided the Minister ensures there is consultation with the Cattlemen's Association.

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Cabinet Committee on Environment and Resource Development - May 3

The Chair deferred reporting out on this meeting until the next Cabinet.

C. ORDERS IN COUNCIL:

3. Appointments/Regulations

Cabinet reviewed and approved the attached list of Orders in Council and Proclamations with the following amendments:

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D. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION

4. s.14

5. For Decision: Log Exports

The Minister of Forests presented a submission for decision on log export policy. Cabinet approved the recommendation to establish a fee in lieu of manufacturing that will be reviewed periodically by the Ministry and the Timber Export Advisory Committee (TEAC).

The recommendation is to:

- Increase fee to 15% of domestic log value of fir: fee rises from \$2.14/m³ to \$15/m³;
- Increase fee to 10% of domestic log value of other coastal species, from \$1.71/m³ to \$6.80/m³;
- Increase fee to 5% of domestic log value of U(utility grade) hemlock from \$1/m³ to \$3/m³;
- s.14 ; and
- Continue \$1/m³ fee in lieu in Interior to help deal with beetle and fire surplus.

6. For Decision: Federal Engagement Strategy Update

Cabinet endorsed continuing the current approach being taken on Federal-Provincial engagement on priority natural resource issues.

7. For Decision: Recommendations of the Federal-Provincial Joint Task Group (JTG) on Post Treaty Fisheries (Pearce/McRae Report)

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Cabinet requested a future discussion on the final report, when it is made available to them.

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10. Question Period Preparation

11. For Information: Health Issues Update

The Minister provided an update on the impacts of the recent HEU actions.

12. For Information: Aboriginal/Legal Decisions Update


This item was not dealt with.

E. **REPORTS:**

13. Intergovernmental Relations Status Report

The Intergovernmental Relations Status Report was received.

14. Other


Kathryn Dawson
Assistant Deputy Minister
Cabinet and Committee Support

CABINET MINUTES

May 12, 2004

8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Members Present:

Honourable Gordon Campbell	(PREM)
Honourable George Abbott	(SRM)
Honourable Bill Barisoff	(WLAP)
Honourable Pat Bell	(MoS-M)
Honourable Shirley Bond	(AE)
Honourable Susan Brice	(MoS-MH&AS)
Honourable Graham Bruce	(SD&L)
Honourable Ida Chong	(MoS-W&SS)
Honourable Tom Christensen	(MoE)
Honourable Christy Clark	(CFD)
Honourable Murray Coell	(CAWS)
Honourable Rich Coleman	(PS&SG)
Honourable Gary Collins	(FCR)
Honourable Mike de Jong	(MOF)
Honourable Kevin Falcon	(MoT)
Honourable Colin Hansen	(HS)
Honourable John Les	(SB&ED)
Honourable Joyce Murray	(MS)
Honourable Richard Neufeld	(EM)
Honourable Geoff Plant	(AG)
Honourable Linda Reid	(MoSECD)
Honourable Sandy Santori	(MoS-RD)
Honourable Rick Thorpe	(PR)
Honourable John van Dongen	(AFF)

Members Absent:

Honourable Stan Hagen	(HR)
Honourable Roger Harris	(MoS-FO)
Honourable Sindi Hawkins	(MoS-IGR)

A. CABINET MINUTES:**1. Minutes of Meeting: May 5**

Approved.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**2. Government Caucus Committee: Health - May 4**

The Chair reported the Committee's review and support for the assisted living model and the regulation of the industry. The Committee recommended the fees for the initial application review and the annual registration fee for Assisted Living Residences and recovery of the fees to the Ministry of Health Services vote 27.

Government Caucus Committee: Communities & Safety - May 6

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Government Caucus Committee: Economy/Government Operations - May 11

The Chair reported the Committee's review and recommendations on the proposal to negotiate a BC-Alberta Agreement on Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility as set out in a Framework Agreement to be signed at the next BC-Alberta Joint Cabinet meeting.

(Cabinet discussed this at Item 4 of the agenda.)

Cabinet Committee on Environment and Resource Development - May 3

The Chair reported on the Committee's review of a preliminary report from the Belsey Task Force on Land Use Planning and on the report back that the Committee received on the 2004 Drought preparation.

C. ORDERS IN COUNCIL:**3. Appointments/Regulations**

Cabinet reviewed and approved the attached list of Orders in Council and Proclamations with the following amendments:
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D. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION**4. For Decision: BC/Alberta Agreement on Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility**

Cabinet reviewed a submission, "BC-Alberta Agreement on Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility" dated May 10, 2004. It outlined the direction to remove exceptions and extend the existing Agreement on Internal Trade to those areas not currently covered. A draft Framework Agreement was proposed to set out the objectives for work toward a final comprehensive agreement.

The Minister responsible was asked to take a slightly different approach which would still be oriented toward the ultimate objective of a comprehensive agreement on trade, investment and labour mobility. It was thought that the scope and timelines were overly ambitious, and instead 4-5 sectors or topics could be selected which would bring the maximum mutual benefits, be publicly supported and which could have a staged implementation would be more successful.

The Minister responsible was asked to consider how the draft Framework Agreement could be characterized more as a statement of intent and long-term direction rather than a legally binding document. This will return for decision at the next Cabinet meeting.

5. For Information: BC/Alberta Cabinet Ministers' Meeting Update

The agenda was reviewed, attendance was confirmed and the title of one of the MOU's to be signed was amended.

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8. For Decision: 2004 Drought Preparation

Cabinet reviewed the submission, "2004 Drought Preparation", dated May 10, 2004. Cabinet approved the subject to be decided at Open Cabinet on May 31, 2004.

9. Question Period Preparation

10. For Information: Legislative Update

The House Leader and the Minister of Public Safety and Solicitor General provided reports on legislation being tabled.

11. For Information: Health Issues Update

The Minister of Health Services was asked to be ready to speak on how the backlogs would be dealt with, showing how this could be done with innovative methods which would operate within the *Canada Health Act*.

A report on the process of negotiations was provided for information.

12. For Information: Aboriginal/Legal Decisions Update

Cabinet received updates on Port Alice mill sale, and the VI Generation Project.


E. REPORTS:

13. Deregulation Status Report

14. Intergovernmental Relations Status Report

The Intergovernmental Relations Status Report was received.

15. Other


Joy Illington
Deputy Cabinet Secretary

CABINET MINUTES

May 19, 2004

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Members Present:	Honourable Gordon Campbell	(PREM)
	Honourable George Abbott	(SRM)
	Honourable Shirley Bond	(AE)
	Honourable Susan Brice	(MoS-MH&AS)
	Honourable Graham Bruce	(SD&L)
	Honourable Ida Chong	(MoS-W&SS)
	Honourable Tom Christensen	(MoE)
	Honourable Christy Clark	(CFD)
	Honourable Murray Coell	(CAWS)
	Honourable Rich Coleman	(PS&SG)
	Honourable Gary Collins	(FCR)
	Honourable Stan Hagen	(HR)
	Honourable Mike de Jong	(MOF)
	Honourable Kevin Falcon	(MoT)
	Honourable Colin Hansen	(HS)
	Honourable Roger Harris	(MoS-FO)
	Honourable John Les	(SB&ED)
	Honourable Joyce Murray	(MS)
	Honourable Richard Neufeld	(EM)
	Honourable Geoff Plant	(AG)
	Honourable Linda Reid	(MoSECD)
	Honourable Sandy Santori	(MoS-RD)
	Honourable Rick Thorpe	(PR)
	Honourable John van Dongen	(AFF)
Members Absent:	Honourable Bill Barisoff	(WLAP)
	Honourable Pat Bell	(MoS-M)
	Honourable Sindi Hawkins	(MoS-IGR)

A. CABINET MINUTES:**1. Minutes of Meeting: May 12**

Approved.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**2. Government Caucus Committee: Cross Government Initiatives - May 6**

The Chair reported on the Committee's overview of daycare programs and the plan for consolidation of programs.

C. ORDERS IN COUNCIL:**3. Appointments/Regulations**

Cabinet reviewed and approved the attached list of Orders in Council and Proclamations with the following amendments:

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D. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION**4. For Decision: BC/Alberta Agreement on Trade, Investment and Labour Mobility**

Cabinet reviewed a revised Agreement-in-Principle which referred to an attached Framework of purposes and principles as the basis for consultations and negotiations of a comprehensive bilateral agreement to enhance trade, investment and labour mobility between the two provinces.

Cabinet approved the revised documents to be signed by the Minister of Small Business and Economic Development and his Alberta counterpart at the Joint Cabinet meeting in Prince Rupert.

5. For Decision: Open Cabinet Agenda - May 31

Cabinet reviewed and amended the agenda.

Cabinet expressly waived confidentiality for the specific topics to be discussed at the May 31st meeting only.

Cabinet authorized the release of documents to the public that will be utilized at the Open Cabinet meeting, subject to any legal requirements. This waiver of confidentiality is specific to this meeting and to those supporting documents utilized at the Open Cabinet meeting only.

6. Question Period Preparation

7. For Information: Legislative Update

The House Leader provided a report of the remaining House Business. A request for legislative proposals will be circulated to all Ministers following the Caucus and Cabinet Planning Sessions.

8. For Information: Health Issues Update

The Minister responsible provided an update.

9. For Information: Aboriginal/Legal Decisions Update

E. **REPORTS:**


10. Intergovernmental Relations Status Report

The Intergovernmental Relations Status Report was received.

11. Other

A discussion was held on a regional transportation project. The Minister of Transportation was asked to do the due diligence to get the requisite information for an alternate approach for a major public-private partnership in transportation infrastructure.

[Honourable Christy Clark, Minister of Children and Family Development, declared a conflict and withdrew from the meeting without participating in the discussion.]


Joy Illington
Deputy Cabinet Secretary

CABINET MINUTES (OPEN)

May 31, 2004
2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Members Present:	Honourable Gordon Campbell	(PREM)
	Honourable Bill Barisoff	(WLAP)
	Honourable Pat Bell	(MoS-M)
	Honourable Shirley Bond	(AE)
	Honourable Susan Brice	(MoS-MH&AS)
	Honourable Graham Bruce	(SD&L)
	Honourable Ida Chong	(MoS-W&SS)
	Honourable Tom Christensen	(MoE)
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	Honourable John Les	(SB&ED)
	Honourable Joyce Murray	(MS)
	Honourable Richard Neufeld	(EM)
	Honourable Geoff Plant	(AG)
	Honourable Linda Reid	(MoSECD)
	Honourable Sandy Santori	(MoS-RD)
	Honourable Rick Thorpe	(PR)
	Honourable John van Dongen	(AFF)
Members Absent:	Honourable George Abbott	(SRM)
	Honourable Sindi Hawkins	(MoS-IGR)

A. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION**1. Premier's Opening Remarks**

The Premier reported on the progress made at the Finance and Health Ministers' Meeting chaired by Premier Campbell and Premier McGuinty. A long term strategy for a sustainable health care system was developed and will continue to be on the agenda at other inter-provincial and federal- provincial meetings.

2. For Information: Emergency Communications

The Premier explained that the impetus of the BC Crisis Communications Strategy for Major Provincial Emergencies came from learning in the early days of the 2003 fire season that communications had to be improved. The Minister for Public Safety and Solicitor General presented a summary of the Strategy for information.

3. For Information: Follow-up on Filmon Report

Cabinet was informed that action has been taken on all 42 recommendations of the Filmon Report. Actions were reported on as preparations begin for the 2004 Fire Season.

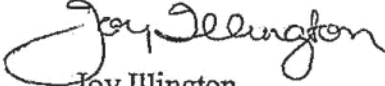
For Information: 2004 Drought Preparation

The Minister of Water, Land and Air Protection provided an update on drought conditions in the province and the details of a province-wide drought action plan. Suggestions to conserve water at the domestic consumer level were made and the Minister of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries provided details on water management efforts of the agricultural sector.

5. For Information: Avian Flu Update

The Minister of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries gave a thorough presentation of the actions taken since Avian Flu was discovered in the Fraser Valley, the current status, and the steps underway to get back to business for those directly and indirectly involved in the poultry industry. A report on mitigating the economic damage, and on the impacts to the economy and on employees was provided.

The Premier noted that one of the agreements flowing from the B.C./Alberta Joint Cabinet meeting in Prince Rupert was a plan for the two provinces to launch a review of how the BSE crisis and the Avian Flu crisis were managed. The federal Department of Health and CFIA will be invited to take part so that the lessons learned can be followed up - as they were in the Filmon Report on Firestorm 2003. The Western Premiers' Conference will be interested in discussing this plan.


Joy Illington
Deputy Cabinet Secretary

CABINET MINUTES

May 31, 2004
3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Members Present:	Honourable Gordon Campbell	(PREM)
	Honourable Bill Barisoff	(WLAP)
	Honourable Pat Bell	(MoS-M)
	Honourable Shirley Bond	(AE)
	Honourable Susan Brice	(MoS-MH&AS)
	Honourable Graham Bruce	(SD&L)
	Honourable Ida Chong	(MoS-W&SS)
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	Honourable Sandy Santori	(MoS-RD)
	Honourable Rick Thorpe	(PR)
	Honourable John van Dongen	(AFF)
Members Absent:	Honourable George Abbott	(SRM)
	Honourable Christy Clark	(CFD)
	Honourable Sindi Hawkins	(MoS-IGR)
	Honourable Linda Reid	(MoSECD)

A. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION**1. Nexen Property Transfer (MoT)**

Cabinet reviewed a submission, "Transfer of the BC Rail Lands, leased by Nexen Inc. to the District of Squamish". The Minister of Transportation requested approval and authorization to enter into and execute and deliver a series of agreements and other arrangements that will culminate in the transfer of the Nexen lands and adjacent lands from BCRC to the District of Squamish.

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For Decision: Treasury Board Minutes: May 20, 2004

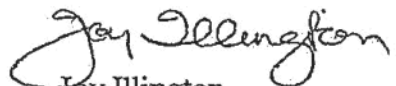
Cabinet reviewed and approved the decision of Treasury Board's meeting of May 20, 2004 for the following:

Item 4: Transfer of the Nexen Lands to the District of Squamish

2. For Decision: Treasury Board Minutes: May 19, 2004

Cabinet reviewed and approved the decision of Treasury Board's meeting of May 19, 2004 for the following:

Item 2: Academic Ambulatory Care Centre:


Joy Illington
Deputy Cabinet Secretary

CABINET MINUTES

June 9, 2004

9:00 a.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Members Present:

Honourable Gordon Campbell	(PREM)
Honourable George Abbott	(SRM)
Honourable Bill Barisoff	(WLAP)
Honourable Pat Bell	(MoS-M)
Honourable Shirley Bond	(AE)
Honourable Susan Brice	(MoS-MH&AS)
Honourable Graham Bruce	(SD&L)
Honourable Ida Chong	(MoS-W&SS)
Honourable Tom Christensen	(MoE)
Honourable Christy Clark	(CFD)
Honourable Murray Coell	(CAWS)
Honourable Rich Coleman	(PS&SG)
Honourable Gary Collins	(FCR)
Honourable Stan Hagen	(HR)
Honourable Mike de Jong	(MOF)
Honourable Colin Hansen	(HS)
Honourable John Les	(SB&ED)
Honourable Joyce Murray	(MS)
Honourable Richard Neufeld	(EM)
Honourable Geoff Plant	(AG)
Honourable Linda Reid	(MoSECD)
Honourable Sandy Santori	(MoS-RD)
Honourable Rick Thorpe	(PR)
Honourable John van Dongen	(AFF)

Members Absent:

Honourable Kevin Falcon	(MoT)
Honourable Roger Harris	(MoS-FO)
Honourable Sindi Hawkins	(MoS-IGR)

A. CABINET MINUTES:**1. Minutes of Meeting:**

- May 19

Approved.

- May 31 (Open)

Approved.

- May 31

Approved.

B. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**2. Government Caucus Committee: Economy/Government Operations - May 11**

The Chair reported approval of the Land Title Office fee increases.

On the accountability issue - it was suggested that the Minister have the independent Authority report to one of the Select Standing Committees of the legislature - as the Crowns do.

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Government Caucus Committee: Cross Government Initiatives - May 20

The Chair reported the Committee's meeting on childcare issues with two children's advocates. It was noted that while they support licensed group care and home care - that surveys of parents clearly support a range of choice including the option of not-licensed family care.

Cabinet Committee on Environment and Resource Development:- May 17

The Chair reported the Committee's views on the following items:

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3. Flathead Valley proposed coal licenses which the Committee supported the refusal by the Minister responsible.

5. Quatsino/BHP Indemnity Proposal was supported by the Committee and recommended to go for review at Treasury Board.

- June 2

The Chair reported the Committee's views on the following items:

2. Belsey Task Force Report

The Committee supported in principle the recommendations of the Report without having dealt with the fiscal costs. The Committee recommended that SRM be assigned responsibility for the implementation of the recommendations and that a transition plan be required to bring about any of the recommended changes.

5. Weyerhaeuser Proposal to remove private lands from TFL.

The Committee supported the recommendation that this proceed with deletions from TFL 39 and 44 with the announcement to be tied to the readiness of communications on the benefits of the package, the mitigating pieces being ready to operationalize and the successful resolution of the \$6M in unamortized improvements to the Chair of Treasury Board's satisfaction.

C. ORDERS IN COUNCIL:

3. Appointments/Regulations

Cabinet reviewed and approved the attached list of Orders in Council and Proclamations with the following amendments:

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D. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION

4. For Decision: Belsey Task Force on Land Use Implementation

Cabinet reviewed the Report: Leading the Way - Land Use Planning in the New Era. The Chair of the Task Force identified the top 5 recommendations as being locals participating in the plan implementation, science panels on a time limited basis where needed, land use planning tables with clear targets and mandates, IAMCs with clear mandates and a clear revision process.

Suggestions were given on the need to have a very structured revision process, local MLAs having a seat on implementation committees, and a centralized single window approach.

Cabinet thanked the Task Force and staff for their work on behalf of CCERD. The Minister of Sustainable Resource Management is to report back to CCERD with a work plan for implementation and was asked to make his plan cost neutral.

Other: Cabinet was briefed on an announcement that will be made offering that the Province will assume the role of owner and will accept the risk on RAV so that the project which will deliver substantial benefits, with unique funding, can go forward for future generations. The concerns of the north-east will be acknowledged and there may be further time required to do the due diligence but it is possible to say the area will receive a minimum benefit of \$140M for their rapid transit.

The proposal is to be put forward for a reply from Translink by Friday June 18th.

[Honourable Christy Clark, Minister of Children and Family Development, declared a conflict and withdrew from the meeting without participating in the discussion.]

5. For Decision: Weyco Proposal to Remove Private Land from TFL

Cabinet reviewed the submission "Weyerhaeuser Request for Private Land Deletions from TFL 39 and TFL 44", dated May31, 2004. Details of the benefits of the proposed package were given and liabilities reviewed.

Cabinet approved the package to proceed on the basis of the conditions that the Minister of Forests has outlined to Weyerhaeuser, and subject to the recommendations of CCERD, on the preparation of communications about the benefits and having delivery of some of the benefits immediately available.

6. For Decision: Treasury Board Minutes:

- May 19

Cabinet reviewed and approved the decisions of Treasury Board's meeting of May 19, 2004 for the following:

Item 1: Traffic Fine Revenue Sharing Program (TFRS); and

Item 3: Heartlands Oil and Gas Road Rehabilitation Strategy (HOGRRS).

- May 20

Cabinet reviewed and approved the decisions of Treasury Board's meeting of May 20, 2004 for the following:

Item 1: Increase Available Funds for Contractors in the BC Forestry Revitalization Trust;

[Honourable Joyce Murray, Minister of Management Services, declared a conflict and withdrew from the meeting without participating in the discussion.]

Item 2: Producer Cost of Service (PCOS); and

Item 3: Management of Government's Financial Exposure for new Land and Resource Management Plans (Implementation and Compensation).

7. For Information: Health Issues Update

Community Care Capacity

Cabinet members received a package that outlined the impacts of this initiative on their own Health Authority. The Minister of Health Services was asked to bring back details as requested in the April 14th Cabinet minutes.

- Ambulance Services

Cabinet reviewed the request to release the KPMG report as part of a bargaining strategy.

Cabinet did not waive the Cabinet confidentiality or agree to the request.

The Ministry was asked to create an update showing the positive action taken since the report was done, to continue to deliver a better ambulance service, and to use the inquiry to help manage through the next 12 months.

8. For Information: Aboriginal/Legal Decisions Update

This item was not dealt with.

E. **REPORTS:**

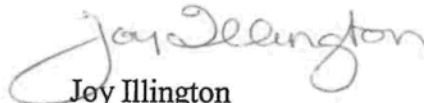
9. Deregulation Status Report

This item was deferred to the next Cabinet meeting.

10. Intergovernmental Relations Status Report

The Intergovernmental Relations Status Report was received.

11. Other


Joy Illington
Deputy Cabinet Secretary

CABINET MINUTES

June 16, 2004

9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Honourable Gordon Campbell	(PREM)
Honourable George Abbott	(SRM)
Honourable Bill Barisoff	(WLAP)
Honourable Pat Bell	(MoS-M)
Honourable Shirley Bond	(AE)
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Honourable Sandy Santori	(MoS-RD)
Honourable Rick Thorpe	(PR)
Honourable John van Dongen	(AFF)

Members Absent:

Honourable Sindi Hawkins	(MoS-IGR)
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A. CABINET MINUTES:**1. Minutes of Meeting:**

- Joint BC/Alberta Cabinet Ministers' Meeting - May 25/26

Approved.

- June 9

Approved.

B. ORDERS IN COUNCIL:**2. Appointments/Regulations**

Cabinet reviewed and approved the attached list of Orders in Council and Proclamations with the following amendments:

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C. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION**3. Cabinet Committee on Environment and Resource Development - May 3**

The Chair reported general support from the Committee for the direction of the Final Report of the Federal-Provincial Joint Task Group on Post-Treaty Fisheries. The Committee agreed that the next step was to press for a commitment from Canada to implement the Joint Task Group's recommendations for the commercial fishery in a timely manner.

For Decision: Pearce/McRae Report

Cabinet reviewed the submission "Recommendations of the Federal-Provincial Joint Task Group on Post Treaty Fisheries", dated June 9 and the Report "Treaties and Transition-Towards a Sustainable Fishery on Canada's Pacific Coast.

Cabinet supported the general direction of the Report of the Federal-Provincial Joint Task Group on Post-Treaty Fisheries.

The Province will press for a commitment from Canada to implement the Joint Task Group recommendations in a timely manner, and that any new treaty fisheries offers reflect these recommendations.

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For Information: An Integrated Strategy for Children and Youth With Special Needs and their Families - Mitigating the Risks

This item was deferred to the next Cabinet meeting.

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5. For Decision: Treasury Board Minutes:

- June 9

Cabinet reviewed and approved the decision of Treasury Board's meeting of June 9, 2004 for the following:

Item 2: Vancouver Convention centre Expansion Project (VCCEP);

Item 3: Revenue Management Project Update; and

Item 4: Directed Revenue for Sustainable Parks Management.

- June 10

Cabinet reviewed and approved the decision of Treasury Board's meeting of June 10, 2004 for the following:

Item 5: Student Completion Grant Program (SCG),
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Item 7: Ministry of Management Services (MSER) - Alternative Service Delivery (ASD) - Payroll Services, and

Item 8: Ministry of Management Services (MSER) - Alternative Service Delivery (ASD) - Strategic Sourcing.

Note that on Item 8 all Ministers were asked to check that their Ministries were following the government approved procurement practices.

6. s.14

7. For Decision: Open Cabinet Agenda - June 30

Cabinet reviewed and amended the agenda.

Cabinet expressly waived confidentiality for the specific topics to be discussed at the June 30th meeting only.

Cabinet authorized the release of documents to the public that will be utilized at the Open Cabinet meeting, subject to any legal requirements. This waiver of confidentiality is specific to this meeting and to those supporting documents utilized at the Open Cabinet meeting only.

8. For Information: Health Issues Update

This item was not dealt with.

9. For Information: Aboriginal/Legal Decisions Update

This item was not dealt with.

D. REPORTS:

10. Deregulation Status Report


The Deregulation Status Report was received.

11. Intergovernmental Relations Status Report

The Intergovernmental Relations Status Report was received.

12. Other

Cabinet reviewed the next steps necessary to closing the BC Rail Agreement with CN and the Competition Bureau's possible actions.


Joy Illington
Deputy Cabinet Secretary

CABINET MINUTES

June 30 (OPEN), 2004
11:26 a.m. - 12:40 p.m.

Members Present:	Honourable Gordon Campbell	(PREM)
	Honourable George Abbott	(SRM)
	Honourable Bill Barisoff	(WLAP)
	Honourable Pat Bell	(MoS-M)
	Honourable Shirley Bond	(AE)
	Honourable Susan Brice	(MoS-MH&AS)
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	Honourable Murray Coell	(CAWS)
	Honourable Richard Neufeld	(EM)
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A. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION**1. Premier's Opening Remarks**

The Premier noted that a number of representatives of post-secondary institutions were present for the Leading Edge Endowment Fund presentation.

2. For Information: Report on Accommodation with First Nations

Cabinet received an update on the work that government has done, coordinated by the Treaty Negotiations Office, to build more effective relationships with First Nations, and to discharge government's legal obligations through consultation, and accommodation agreements.

3. For Decision: Nursing Strategy

Cabinet received an overview of the progress made to date on the government nursing strategy and a request to authorize the next phase in the strategy: \$3.5M worth of funding to be expended from the Ministry of Health Services budget for key initiatives.

Cabinet approved the expenditure for expansion of the return to nursing fund, for recruitment and retention of Aboriginal nurses, for education of Licensed Practical Nurses, to upgrade nursing skills in geriatric health care, for other continuing and specialty education of nurses, and to respond to the recommendations of the Canadian Nursing Advisory Committee.

Cabinet was also advised of the additional nursing seats at universities and colleges that represent a 50% increase from 2001 in terms of the number of nurses who will be graduating, as well as increased training positions for allied health professionals and for doctors, using the multi-campus approach.

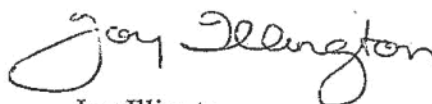
4. For Information: BC Wildfires Update

Cabinet received an update on the status of forest fires in the province. Publications are now available for the public to help protect their properties, including the Home Owners FireSmart Manual.

5. For Information: Leading Edge Endowment Fund

Cabinet received a report from Dr. Martha Salcudean, the Chair of the Leading Edge Endowment Fund about the approval for proposals of 11 leadership research chairs and 6 regional innovation chairs. This is preliminary approval for \$32.25M to endow research in health, social, economic development, environment and technology.

Cabinet thanked Dr. Martha Salcudean for her vision and integrity in chairing the LEEF Board and Dr. Shapiro who chaired the international review panel.



Joy Illington
Deputy Cabinet Secretary

CABINET MINUTES

June 30, 2004

9:00 a.m. - 11:20 a.m.

Members Present:

Honourable Gordon Campbell	(PREM)
Honourable George Abbott	(SRM)
Honourable Bill Barisoff	(WLAP)
Honourable Pat Bell	(MoS-M)
Honourable Shirley Bond	(AE)
Honourable Susan Brice	(MoS-MH&AS)
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A. CABINET MINUTES:**1. Minutes of Meeting:**

- June 16

Approved.

B. ORDERS IN COUNCIL:**2. Appointments/Regulations**

Cabinet reviewed and approved the attached list of Orders in Council and Proclamations with the following amendment:
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C. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/DECISION**3. Cabinet Committee on Environment and Resource Development:**

- May 17 (remaining item)

The Chair reported the recommendations and support of the Committee for the Morice Land and Resource Management Plan.

- June 2 (remaining item)

The Chair reported the recommendations and support of the Committee for the North Coast Land and Resource management Plan.

For Decision: LRMP's and Government to Government Mandates

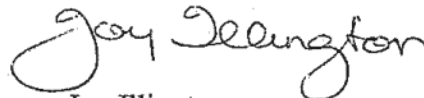
Cabinet received an overview of the four Land and Resource Management Plans: Central Coast, North Coast, Morice and Lillooet. The first 3 were reports from public planning tables, and Lillooet was a review of a plan, endorsed just before the 2001 election. The maps for each plan containing the land use designations and zones are proposed to be the basis for consultations with First Nations regarding aboriginal rights and title. Interim management direction was reviewed as were the next steps once First Nations consultations were completed.

Cabinet authorized consultations with First Nations to proceed on the land use designations and zoning as contained in each plan map, and as detailed in Appendix 1 of each plan submission; (Part 1 of the Central Coast Plan Appendix 1). Cabinet asked that the consultations reach conclusions without delay.

Cabinet asked that communications be prepared for all government MLA's and for the public outlining the achievements of the land use plans; parks (with photos), economic opportunities in forestry, mining and tourism and community benefits, including the step of listening and working with First Nations.

It was noted that discussions underway to attract conservation financing investments on the Central Coast should avoid creating funds that distort the market for job training or enterprise. Further discussion on the funding and on the concepts of eco-system based management will be brought to Cabinet in the Fall.

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