## **CRISP: Capital Region Invasive Species Partnership**

Meeting Minutes: September 19, 2012 Time: 9:00 to 12 noon Location: Swan Lake Nature House

Agenda Item 1: Introductions

**Present:** Gord Beauvillier (Colwood), Marilyn Fuchs (CRD), Chris Hyde-Lay (Oak Bay), Rachelle McElroy (CIPC), Cory Manton (Saanich Parks), June Pretzer (Swan Lake), Carolyn Richman (Saanich

ES), Todd Stewardson (Victoria) and Crystal Wheeler (MOT). (John – Central Saanich)

Regrets sent: Adriane Pollard (Saanich)

Chair: Todd Stewardson

Minutes: Crystal Wheeler, Victoria Administration and Carolyn Richman

Agenda Item 2: Agenda

Addition: Farewell to Fred (retires September 28<sup>th</sup>). Fred wasn't in attendance to receive the cake. Carolyn will try to deliver. All to sign a card.

Agenda Item 3: Previous Minutes Action: Carolyn to edit/update and resend

**Summary of Current Action items** 

Action Items	Responsibility	Status
CRISP invitation/ encouragement for all CRD local governments		1
ACTION: Contact Sidney regarding membership  No response yet. Highlands also considering.	Todd	Pending
2. CRISP Annual Regional Meeting		
a. ACTION: Transcribe Annual Regional Meeting (ARM) notes for distribution	Cory	Pending
<ul> <li>Cory took these for his admin. staff to type up and circulate (thank you!)</li> <li>b. ACTION: September meeting to begin ARM planning</li> <li>Include Herbarium workshop at next ARM (Ken and Erica)</li> </ul>	Carolyn	Completed
<ul> <li>Next ARM decisions:         <ul> <li>Late February</li> <li>Venue options: Cedar Hill Golf Course, Royal Roads (catering has to be done through Habitat), UVic (good catering and last experience). Decided on UVic with increased signage and a map sent out prior.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Subcommittee to be formed: Victoria ("new Fred"),         Saanich (Carolyn) and Rachelle.</li> <li>ACTION: Todd to email out request for anyone else who         wants to join the subcommittee.</li> <li>Agenda: Inter-ministry Invasive Species Working Group         (IMISWG) Update (Crystal), Hartland &amp; regional disposal,         kitchen waste program, regional Knotweed program 2012,         Restoration matrix (Rachelle) and Regional Dialogue</li> </ul>	Todd	Pending
session. [Note: forgotten at the meeting was the Herbarium workshop as noted above]  • Feedback from first ARM positive and wanted more time. This year's ARM 9am to 3pm, lunch and coffee provided.  • ACTION: Subcommittee to update booking/ planning progress at Nov. mtg.	Subcommittee	Pending
Public EDRR presentations  ACTION: Todd leading a small working group to look at and adapt the Spotter's Network presentation for this region (June, Darren Copley)	Todd	Pending

Action	75.2.2.3.3.4.3.4.3.3.5.	Responsibility	Status
[Saa	anich] and Todd). Add to workplan.		
4. CRIS	SP Species Listing		
a. A	CTION: Fred (Todd) to update list based on member feedback	Todd	On-going
	<b>CTION:</b> Discuss toxicity at 6 month review in September (where to v the line and levels of toxicity)	All	Pending
	CTION: Send in topics/ species updates in advance of 6 month review nembers can prepare	All	Pending
d. A	CTION: Todd to send out email to book Species List Review meeting	Todd	Pending
e. A	CTION: Marilyn to draft a complete list for the region	Marilyn	Pending
5. Disp	oosal planning with Hartland staff		
	ress disposal issues related to current CRD functions, especially tland (disposal subcommittee: Marilyn, Cory, Todd, Carolyn and Deb)	Marilyn	Ongoing
to C	ilyn update: CRISP recommendations re: revised Hartland bylaw sent hris Robins. Revised bylaw development still in process. He will let SP know when/if they need more information.		
	CTION: [new wording] Todd to request criteria/information from kSafe on what they need to include additional plants.	Todd	Pending
	CTION: [new] Once WorkSafe information is compiled by Todd, SP will approach ISCBC to follow up with WorkSafe	Todd/Carolyn	Pending
	CTION: Request if members can attend Local Government Solid ste Liaison Group	Deb	Completed
	<ul> <li>Deb will contact next week to set up meeting [new action]</li> </ul>	Deb/Carolyn	Pending
	CTION: Share safe handling procedures of 3 species (Hogweed, hne, Poison Hemlock)	All	Pending
	CTION: Prepare proposal to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee arding revised Hartland bylaw. (Completed, sent to Chris Robins ead).	Marilyn	Completed
f. AC	CTION: Hold a sub-committee meeting to draft a disposal proposal	Marilyn	Completed
g. A disp		Carolyn	Pending
	<ul> <li>Continuing to collect information to circulate</li> </ul>		
h. A	CTION: [new] Crystal to send Knotweed disposal report to Carolyn	Crystal	Pending
ij. A	CTION: [new] Crystal to contact Linda Wilson to ask about Knotweed disposal	Crystal	Pending
	CTION: sub-committee to discuss what kind of expanded invasive cies list to prepare and provide to the CRD	Marilyn	Pending

Action Items	Responsibility	Status
m. ACTION: [new] Follow up with Chris to give update on knotweed disposal bin results	Rachelle/ Carolyn	Pending
6. Waterways Inventory  Inventory of Gorge Waterway/ Colquitz for Knotweed  June agreed to take the lead on this [July mtg]  ACTION: Todd to follow up with Fred re: Canoe Club. If no success, strike this but start an inventory of "to do" list.	June Todd	Pending Pending
7. 2012 Planning		
<b>a. ACTION:</b> Rachelle to provide a short presentation on the matrix at the ARM (instead of at a CRISP meeting)	Rachelle	Pending
b. ACTION: Whole committee regional education strategy discussions	All	Ongoing
c. ACTION: Education sub-committee on-hold until education strategy developed	Carolyn	On-hold
8. Regional Education/Outreach Strategy		
<b>ACTION:</b> Carolyn to send framework to all to consider towards a strategy outline	Carolyn	Pending
<ul> <li>Carolyn provided a presentation and requested feedback towards the strategy. This was a regional funding deliverable to develop a regional outreach framework or strategy.</li> <li>Discussion around what the strategy should look like.</li> </ul>		
9. CRISP Provincial Funding & Workplan	Rachelle/Carolyn	
<ul> <li>ACTION: Survey compost users/uses at Saanich &amp; Colwood</li> <li>Cory (Saanich) will complete a report</li> <li>Gord (Colwood) took statistics on compost line for 4 hours/2 days. Both days knotweed coming in. Two sites treated after contact through municipal composting/disposal site due to contact with landowner, one site to be treated. Six landowners identified in total. Total disposal was ~10% invasive: ivy, buddleia, daphne, broom, blackberry. Gord to complete brief report.</li> <li>ACTION: [new] Gord and Cory to complete and share reports.</li> </ul>	Cory/Gord	Completed
ACTION: Rachelle to find out what needs to be submitted	Rachelle	Completed
<b>ACTION:</b> (From June 1 <sup>st</sup> ) Revised workplan to be submitted to CIPC and the province for action	Carolyn/ Rachelle	Completed
ACTION: January meeting to share next season's treatment plans	All	Pending
10. Early Detection Rapid Response		
10. Early Detection Rapid Response  ACTION: Yellow Parentucellia / Parentucellia viscose ~ to species list mtg	June	remove
	June	remove
ACTION: Yellow Parentucellia / Parentucellia viscose ~ to species list mtg	June Rachelle	remove

Agenda Item 4: New Business

New Business	Lead
Roundtable on the Environment	
UPDATE: Carolyn, Rachelle and Todd attended a meeting with Nancy Wilkin and	Carolyn
Eric Bonham regarding the activities of CRISP and the role of the CRD's Roundtable on the Environment.  Roundtable tasked with providing feedback on the regional sustainability	
<ul> <li>strategy</li> <li>Eric and Nancy specifically tasked with feedback on invasive species, food security and green spaces: consulting with people in region.</li> <li>CRISP identified some key issues including: disposal; EDRR; regional</li> </ul>	
coordination and consequences of invasive species  ACTION: Todd to request a draft from Eric for CRISP to review prior to final Submissions.	Todd
2. CRISP Provincial Funding & Workplan	
[Very little of this new business discussed due to lack of time]	
UPDATE: Knotweed Pilot Project	Carolyn / Rachelle
DISCUSSION: Knotweed Stem Injection Training	Carolyn
<ul> <li>DISCUSSION: Outreach materials content, format</li> <li>Marilyn noted Himalayan Knotweed is not included in outreach alert, but is mapped within the CRD on E-Flora.</li> </ul>	Carolyn
UPDATE AND DISCUSSION: Regional Education and Outreach Strategy Framework overview and presentation	Carolyn
UPDATE: Funding Sources and Percentages	Rachelle
3. CRISP Website	
<b>ACTION:</b> Request for feedback from CRISP members (to Carolyn) on CRISP webpages by Monday, September 24 <sup>th</sup> .	Carolyn
4. Fall Planning	
UPDATE: Annual Regional Meeting Planning [discussed in action items above]	Carolyn
UPDATE: Species List Review (6 month) [Todd's action item above]	Todd
5. CIPC Updates	
<ul> <li>DISCUSSION: CIPC logo</li> <li>New CIPC logo being developed. It was decided that CRISP could/should use this logo with "CRISP" spelled out beside or underneath.</li> </ul>	
6. IPCBC/ ISCBC Updates	Carolyn
[no time]	
7. Other	

New Business	Lead	
<ul> <li>a. Ordering model invasive plants (sharing packages) re: email from Carolyn [no time]</li> </ul>		

Next Meeting: Wednesday, November 21st @ Mill Hill/ CRD Regional Parks Headquarters

## **CRISP: Capital Region Invasive Species Partnership**

Meeting Minutes: November 21, 2012
Time: 9:00 to 12 noon
Location: Mill Hill CRD Regional Headquarters

Agenda Item 1: Introductions

Present: Jennifer Eliason (Island Trust Fund), Marilyn Fuchs (CRD), Rachelle McElroy (CIPC), Cory

Manton (Saanich Parks), June Pretzer (Swan Lake), Carolyn Richman (Saanich ES)

Regrets sent: Gord Beauvillier (Colwood), Deb Becelaere (View Royal), Adriane Pollard (Saanich),

Todd Stewardson, Crystal Wheeler (MOT).

Chair: Marilyn Fuchs
Minutes: Carolyn Richman

Agenda Item 2: Agenda

Agenda Item 3: Previous Minutes

**ACTION:** All to review September minutes (just sent out) by December 5<sup>th</sup>. To be finalized after that.

ACTION: Email of minutes for all to include request to check for your name on action items

## **Summary of Current Action items**

Action Items	Responsibility	Status
1. CRISP invitation/ encouragement for all CRD local governments		
<ul> <li>Highlands the only outstanding local government, hopefully the Annual Regional Meeting (ARM) invitation will be helpful</li> </ul>		
2. CRISP Annual Regional Meeting		
<ul> <li>ACTION: 2012 ARM notes to be organized for distribution</li> <li>ACTION item to ARM Sub-committee: 2013 ARM notes</li> <li>1) find a volunteer to transcribe quickly (2-3 week turn around),</li> <li>2) form notes into a summary to provide as a wrap up to participants</li> <li>3) Forward the notes to the next CRISP meeting for response</li> </ul>	Carolyn	Pending
<b>ACTION:</b> Todd email out request for anyone else who wants to join the subcommittee. Current: Victoria, Saanich (Carolyn) & Rachelle	Todd	Pending
<ul> <li>ACTION: Subcommittee to update progress at Nov. mtg.</li> <li>ARM booked for Wednesday, Feb. 20, 2013, 9am to 3pm @ UVic in same location (Human &amp; Social Development Bldg, A240 theatre &amp; nearby rooms).</li> <li>Reviewed agenda drafted at last meeting. Agreed that the disposal agenda items listed in the September minutes should be placed into one disposal session.</li> <li>Discussed the catering options; everyone happy with the same as last year. ACTION: Funding call to all via email (Carolyn). Some offers mentioned during the meeting.</li> <li>Discussed the invitation list, which Carolyn recorded and will send out draft in a spreadsheet for assistance. Generally agreed: reps from major land managers in the region, may have some room for reps from key stewardship groups. Fill initial spaces first and find out what space remains. ACTION: Carolyn to find out space from Val and organize invite list to share with all. ACTION: ARM invitation to go out by early January.</li> <li>Two new volunteers for the ARM subcommittee: Todd and June.</li> </ul>	Subcommittee	Completed

3. Public EDRR pres	entations		
Spotter's Network p [Saanich] and Todo	iding a small working group to look at and adapt the presentation for this region (June, Darren Copley I). Deliverable for regional workplan.  June to call Todd to discuss and work something out by	Todd	Pending
4. CRISP Species Lis	sting		
a. ACTION: Todd (	new Fred) to update list based on member feedback	Todd	On-going
b. ACTION: Discus draw the line and le	es toxicity at 6 month review in September (where to evels of toxicity)	All	Pending
c. ACTION: Send in so members can pr	n topics/ species updates in advance of 6 month review repare	All	Pending
d. ACTION: Todd	to book Species Review meeting	Todd	Overdue
e. ACTION: Marily	n to draft a complete list for the region	Marilyn	Pending
5. Disposal planning	with Hartland staff		
	issues related to current CRD functions, especially subcommittee: Marilyn, Cory, Todd, Carolyn and Deb)	Marilyn	Ongoing
a. ACTION: Todd they need to include	to request criteria/information from WorkSafe on what e additional plants.	Todd	Pending
	WorkSafe information is compiled by Todd, CRISP will follow up with WorkSafe	Todd/Carolyn	Pending
c. ACTION: Deb w	rill contact solid waste group to set up meeting	Deb/Carolyn	Pending
d. ACTION: Share Daphne, Poison He	safe handling procedures of 3 species (Hogweed, emlock)	All	Completed
e. ACTION: Collect disposal	/share information about BC approaches for Knotweed	Carolyn	Pending
f. ACTION: Crysta	to send Knotweed disposal report to Carolyn	Crystal	Pending
g. ACTION: Crysta disposal	I to contact Linda Wilson to ask about Knotweed	Crystal	Completed
	ported her contact with Linda: she is not available.		
h. ACTION: Add so energy centre into c	uggestion to include invasives in TOR for bio-solids draft proposal	Marilyn	Completed
	nmittee to discuss what kind of expanded invasive and provide to the CRD (Future)	Marilyn	Pending
	up with Chris to give update on CRISP end CRD a 1pg report on Knotweed disposal 2012	Rachelle/Carolyn Rachelle/Carolyn	Completed Pending

6. Waterways Inventory		
<ul> <li>Inventory of Gorge Waterway/ Colquitz for Knotweed</li> <li>Saanich staff from Parks &amp; Environmental Services completed a full survey in October by canoe with the club. No Knotweed found.</li> </ul>	[update]	Completed (all)
ACTION: Need a new lead on this		
<b>ACTION:</b> Re-contact Victoria Canoe Club (Don Monroe) about taking on knotweed survey instead.		
7. 2012 Planning		
<b>a. ACTION:</b> Rachelle to provide a short presentation on the matrix at the ARM (instead of at a CRISP meeting)	Rachelle	MOVE TO ARM
8. Regional Education/Outreach Strategy		
<ul> <li>a. ACTION: Carolyn to send to all to consider towards a strategy outline</li> <li>Carolyn and Rachelle to meet; survey monkey to be used for feedback; draft framework to be sent by email following.</li> <li>Add session on Regional Education/Outreach Strategy to the ARM agenda [Action item 2]</li> </ul>	Carolyn	Pending
<b>b. ACTION:</b> Whole committee regional education strategy discussions [moved from 7.]	All	Ongoing
c. ACTION: Education sub-committee on-hold until education strategy	Carolyn	On-hold
developed [moved from 7.]		
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10. CIPC Updates		
ACTION: Forward priority sites that were treated last year	Rachelle	Completed
ACTION: Share the south island treatment list	Rachelle	Completed
11. CRD Roundtable on the Environment	Todd/Carolyn	
<b>CRISP feedback</b> regarding review of invasive species section of Regional Sustainability Strategy by Eric Bonham and Nancy Wilkin <b>a. ACTION:</b> Todd to request a draft from Eric for CRISP to review prior to final submissions.	Todd	Pending

Agenda Item 4: New Business	
New Business	Lead
1. CRISP Regional Program (based on pilot)	
<ul><li>Discussion: the pilot (status and wrap up)</li></ul>	Rachelle
<ul> <li>Rachelle in process of doing the wrap up: data, benefits, who was</li> </ul>	
involved, outcomes	Carolyn
<ul> <li>Few results so far: (Rachelle listed who was involved in response). Her</li> </ul>	
time period focus is Sept 17 <sup>th</sup> on when she hired Sandy to deal with	
contacts, treatment schedules, etc	
<ul> <li>Now baseline in IAPP of Knotweed distribution in the CRD: better</li> </ul>	
management.	
<ul> <li>Contacts and services for the region; it enabled some members to lobby</li> </ul>	
for increased budget.	
<ul> <li>Discussed how to capture "gaps"</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Rachelle to get feedback and information from members via survey</li> </ul>	
monkey	
<ul> <li>Number of knotweed sites treated by the regional program this year (no data by green yet); 40% Secrieb, 26% Victoria, 48% Oak Bay, 5%</li> </ul>	
data by area yet): 40% Saanich, 26% Victoria, 18% Oak Bay, 5% Colwood, 5% Sooke, 3%North Saanich, 3% Sidney.	
<ul> <li>\$5,000 spent in on-the-ground treatment; so far \$13,000 spent out of</li> </ul>	
\$15,400 and remainder ear-marked.	
Rachelle: surprising the time it took coordinating.	
<ul> <li>Leverage needed for reporting</li> </ul>	
Rachelle to work on this with members via survey money; anything put	
towards Knotweed: \$, staff, resources? <b>ACTION:</b> Rachelle to gather	
leverage information from CRISP members	
Rachelle to find out about other key information that would be important	
and used re: other invasive \$/resources for leverage.	
Discussion: directions for regional program for the future	
<ul> <li>ACTION: next season regional Knotweed training session. Discussed</li> </ul>	
possibility of developing a certification program for contractors (Sea to	
Sky has this).	
<ul> <li>ACTION: book a meeting for early February focused on developing the</li> </ul>	
regional program and 2013 planning. *Current advisory subcommittee.	
<ul><li>Action? Retailers selling key invasives in the CRD (nursery, floral)</li></ul>	
*FORWARD to Jan agenda	
<ul> <li>Action? Outreach and resources to disposal stations (such as McNutts,</li> </ul>	
interested in receiving information) *FORWARD to Jan agenda	
2. CRISP Website	
Present final feedback and decisions	Carolyn
<ul> <li>Discussed under 9c</li> </ul>	
3. Knotweed Treatment in the CRD	
The state of the s	

<ul> <li>Discussion: draft BMP for CRISP</li> <li>o Briefly discussed. ACTION: Carolyn to email draft to all for review.</li> <li>Engaging with other professionals in the CRD (ex. Ad from private company)</li> </ul>	Carolyn
<ul> <li>ACTION: Invite private companies/contractors to next year's Knotweed training to engage everyone in following standard BMPs.</li> <li>Consider developing certification process for companies/contractors.</li> <li>Planning for 2013 *FORWARD to Jan agenda</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>4. Fire Ants Update</li> <li>Note: workshop Nov. 26<sup>th</sup> (below)</li> <li>CRD procedures for identification &amp; current outbreak areas (Victoria, Oak Bay)</li> <li>New BC outreach-handout (sent out to all)</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>S. CISC Updates Rachelle (ED)         <ul> <li>Update on name-change (unfolding right now)</li> <li>CRD leadership with Seedy Saturday</li></ul></li></ul>	r
<ul> <li>6. ISCBC Updates</li> <li>Fire Ant workshop/Planning in Richmond November 26<sup>th</sup> (ISCBC)</li> <li>Annual Forum &amp; related workshops &amp; meetings in Richmond at the Delta. Main Forum: January 22<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 23<sup>rd</sup>. * Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup> (evening) Province-wide local government meeting to be announced. Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup> full day workshop on aquatic invasives.</li> </ul>	Carolyn

Next Meeting: January (date may need to be adjusted due to ISCBC Forum in January)