

Une terre, riche d'histoire et un héritage en commun.

# TO: Nomination Grand Pré Advisory Board

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# RE: Project Manager's Report 7 (for discussion)

# GENERAL

## Schedule and tasks

- The comparative analysis phase has begun with identification and contact of international experts.
- The communication and public engagement strategy is delayed until support is acquired by the project.
- The planning process for the national historic site will begin the consultation phase in May. The planning process for the community is underway. The process is expected to complete its work in March.
- Archaeological research strategy to complete assessment is being developed between Parks Canada, the provincial authorities, St.Mary's University, and Université Sainte-Anne.
- The working group to develop the management system for the proposed property is scheduled to meet in May. Background work has been completed.

| Phase                         | Task  | Target date of<br>completion | Status    |
|-------------------------------|---|------------------------------|-----------|
|                               | Statement of OUV                                  | December 2008                | Completed |
| Justification for inscription | Comparative analysis                              | August 2009                  | Begun     |
|                               | Statement of Integrity and Authenticity           | August 2009                  | Begun     |
| Develop protective            | Management plan for the National<br>historic site | April 2010                   | Begun     |
| management plan               | Plan and community vision                         | March 2009                   | On target |
|                               | Management plan for the site                      | January 2010                 | Delayed   |
| Funding                       | Budget  | July 2008                    | Completed |
| Communication and public      | Communication and public engagement               | April 2011                   | Delayed   |

| engagement strategy       | strategy implementation              |                |           |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------|-----------|
| Approval/ support process | Municipal approval process           | September 2009 | N/A       |
|                           | Federal approval process             | April 2010     | Delayed   |
|                           | Canadian delegation approval process | January 2011   | N/A       |
|                           | Acadian Support                      | December 2009  | Initiated |
|                           | First Nation support                 | December 2009  | N/A       |
|                           | Other support                        | December 2009  | N/A       |
| Final proposal            | Final content                        | December 2009  | N/A       |
|                           | Final formatted document             | January 2010   | N/A       |

## Finance and resources

Funding announcements made on February 16. Strategy to engage Acadian community and for communication requires staff which can be addressed in part with the funds currently available in the budget.

## PHASES (SEE PROGRESS REPORT 7 FOR OUTLINE)

# **Description of Area:**

See below.

Next steps: see below

## Justification for Inscription:

See 'Proposed Outstanding Universal Value for Grand Pré: Final Report - January 2009'.

Next steps: Work on comparative analysis has begun with the identification of potential experts from Canada, the United States, France, the United Kingdom and the Netherlands. First contact made with experts. Expected first telephone discussion in April. Following that Terms of Reference will be developed. John Johnston and Ronnie-Gilles LeBlanc will coordinate expert input and prepare comparative analysis. Prepare description of the place section of the proposal.

## Evaluation of present state of conservation:

Being addressed in the ToR for the management and land use working group. Background report complete.

Next steps: Prepare first meeting of the working group.

## Assessment of factors affecting the property:

Same as above.

Next steps: same as above

## Monitoring plan:

Same as above.

Next steps: none

## Develop protective and management system for the proposal:

#### National historic site process

The planning process for the national historic site is underway. Public engagement phase scheduled to begin in May. Target date for draft is October 2009 in preparation for Aboriginal consultation.

Next steps: Confirm CEO approval and prepare consultation meetings.

#### Municipal process

Municipal process underway and on schedule. See Community Planner's report

Next steps: see Community Planner's report Management and land use working group

Background report complete. Working group expected to meet in May.

Next steps: Hold first meeting of the working group in May.

#### Visitor and Interpretation:

See economic development and interpretation strategy section.

Next steps: none

#### Draft proposal:

No change since last report.

<u>Next steps: draft the description section. Complete general maps. Identify geographical</u> <u>coordinates. Complete elements of the protection and management of the property section.</u>

#### Project administration:

See financial report

#### Next steps: See financial report

## Communication and public engagement:

An open house to present the proposed outstanding universal value and boundary was held on March 12<sup>th</sup>. Residents were invited to share their thoughts and discuss with the project manager about the meaning of the OUV and of the boundary.

On the evening of March 12<sup>th</sup>, a panel discussion was organized with residents from Joggins and Lunenburg to discuss their experience with the nomination proposal and with living in a World Heritage site. The discussion was attended by approximately 50 residents and led to fruitful discussions.

Engagement of the Mi'kmaq has been challenged by capacity. A meeting with the Glooscap Band Council has been asked by the Steering Committee for April.

The delivery of timely, coordinated, and appropriate communication products has been a challenge. The Acadian engagement strategy remains undefined. The proposal to the Advisory Board is to hire staff dedicated to implementing the communication strategy designed by ICON (see Memo to the Advisory Board on Communication)

Next steps: Meeting with the council of Glooscap to discuss engagement strategy. Seek approval from the Advisory Board on the next steps to implement the communication strategy.

Engagement of the Acadian community

See above.

Next steps: see Memo to the Advisory Board on Communication.

# Economic development & interpretation strategy:

See financial report.

Next steps: See financial report

# Approval process for final document:

N/A