



**TO: Nomination Grand Pré Advisory Board**

**From: Christophe Rivet, Project Manager**

**Date: May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**RE: Project Manager's and Progress Report 14 (for discussion)**

#### **GENERAL**

Focus is on completing a draft nomination by next Advisory Board meeting scheduled on July 8th. The international expert discussions and ongoing work has brought about extremely valuable direction. Challenges remain but the foundations are strong. A separate short report outlines the outcome of the international expert workshop.

Highlights include:

- Revised statement of outstanding universal value is underway;
- Draft 3 of the comparative analysis is underway ;
- Draft 3 of the management plan is underway;
- Draft nomination proposal is underway;
- Draft management plan for the national historic site has returned from Aboriginal consultation;
- Draft community plan is being prepared for consultation;
- Final draft archaeological heritage strategy is underway;
- Compilation of appendices is underway;
- Final draft coastal erosion study is underway;
- Draft Risk preparedness plan is underway;
- Map production is underway;
- Design of the nomination proposal is underway;

#### **SPECIFIC COMPONENTS OF THE PROJECT AND OF THE PROPOSAL**

##### **Description of Area:**

Nothing to report.

Next steps: Draft section completed.

##### **Justification for Inscription:**

A revised statement of Outstanding Universal Value is being prepared based on feedback from international experts and the Canadian delegation. The essence of the proposal is not changing.

It is still about the dykelands, agriculture, the memorials and the landscape. The changes result from a need to make a much stronger and convincing argument based on comparable sites, on the criteria, on UNESCO's expectations, and on the evidence we can present. In light of this, the advisory board can expect a revised statement of outstanding universal value that will update the report it accepted in January 2009.

A third draft of the comparative analysis is being prepared. It is still a challenge, but in light of the progress made with the international experts, the direction taken by the comparative analysis is stronger and will hopefully meet expectations in the very near future.

Next steps: Complete revised statement of outstanding universal value and draft 3 of the comparative analysis.

#### **Evaluation of present state of conservation:**

The revised statement of outstanding universal value includes statements on integrity and authenticity. Section being drafted.

Next steps: Compile recent data from Department of Agriculture on dykes and aboiteaux. Draft statement of integrity and authenticity.

#### **Assessment of factors affecting the property:**

Coastal erosion report finalized with the assistance of the Ecology Action Centre.

Next steps: Include in the draft nomination proposal.

#### **Monitoring plan:**

Condition indicators were developed and included in the management plan. An outline of monitoring process is being prepared.

Next steps: Finalize draft monitoring process.

#### **Develop protective and management system for the proposal:**

*National historic site process*

Aboriginal consultation complete.

Next steps: Final draft being prepared for internal approval and delivery to Minister's office.

*Municipal process (see planner's report)*

The Community Plan Liaison Committee and municipal planners are preparing for consultation with the community.

Next steps: Review by the Liaison committee.

### *Management plan*

A second meeting took place between archaeologists in early February to review the first draft on the archaeological heritage strategy. A second draft was prepared and has been circulated in jurisdictions for comments and review. Comments are expected back on March 12<sup>th</sup> to prepare a third draft.

A first draft of a risk preparedness plan is ready for discussion. It outlines the threats from natural disasters, describe the way they may affect the cultural heritage that support the World Heritage proposal, and explain the response strategy from authorities. Discussions with the municipality of the county of Kings' emergency measures officer will need to occur.

The management plan working group is expected to meet again on April 30<sup>th</sup>.

Governance structure discussions underway. Meeting with provincial ministers was positive. A list of specific asks has been prepared and will be forwarded to the provincial authorities for consideration. A meeting with Parks Canada is scheduled for mid-March.

Next steps: Complete third draft of archaeological heritage strategy. Review draft of risk preparedness with emergency measures specialists. Prepare third draft management plan.

### **Visitor and Interpretation:**

Work completed.

Next steps: Include information in nomination proposal.

### **Draft proposal:**

Sections 1 and 8 completed. Appendices compilation underway. Map production underway. Section 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, and 7 underway.

Next steps: Draft sections of the nomination proposal.

### **Project administration:**

See financial report.

Next steps: See financial report

### **Communication and public engagement:**

The symposium held at Acadia University on April 17<sup>th</sup> was a success. The different speakers were engaging and conveyed useful information about agricultural heritage. They demonstrated the complexity of managing that form of heritage and its importance from a global perspective. There was good attendance. The partnership with Acadia University was very successful and we are thankful for their support in organizing that event.

The community event was also very successful. Dozens of volunteers contributed time and resources to make this a very well attended event with close to 150 people for the entire afternoon. Over a dozen exhibitors contributed everything from food, to pictures, to antique tractors, to agricultural implements, art, and unique artefacts to the day. Two local farmers shared stories of life on the marsh and answered questions from the crowd. We are thankful for the many volunteers and exhibitors who contributed to this very successful International Monuments and Sites Day. Next year's theme will probably be around Heritage of Water. The event was well

covered by the media. Crews from Global TV, Eastlink, Radio Canada, and CTV were on site covering the event.

An update is expected to be provided to the community on the project's progress sometime before end of June.

Next steps: Organise community update meeting.

#### *Engagement of the Acadian community*

Members of the Acadian community approached Nomination Grand Pré to try to organize an event to engage youth. Further discussions will take place in the coming months.

Next steps: Continue discussions with community leaders for presentations and activities.

#### *Engagement of the Mi'kmaq*

As we are continuing our work on the process, including developing a governance approach, it is essential to actively engage the Mi'kmaq. Chief Clark has continued to indicate support for this initiative on behalf of Glooscap community.

Next steps: Meet with Chief Clark and other Mi'kmaq representatives to discuss future of the site and nomination proposal.

#### **Economic development & interpretation strategy:**

Complete. See Tourism Strategy report from consultants.

Next steps: None

#### **Approval process for final document:**

The Canadian delegation to the World Heritage Committee reviews and signs the nomination proposal once it is ready to be sent. Initial review of the draft will take place in the months of July –August 2010.

There is still a need to clarify the provincial and municipal process in support of the nomination.

Next steps: Clarify with municipal and provincial authorities approval process.

## PROGRESS

Project component	General category	Status	Target completion	Comment	Next steps
Outstanding Universal Value	Statement of OUV	● Active	April REVISED - MAY	Revised based on international review and expert comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Complete final draft of comparative analysis</li> <li>• Revise</li> </ul>
	Comparative analysis	● Active	April REVISED - MAY		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <del>Finalize first draft</del></li> <li>• <del>Review from experts</del></li> <li>• Redraft</li> <li>• <del>Workshop review</del></li> <li>• Submit to AB</li> </ul>
	Integrity and Authenticity	● Active	April	Draft statement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <del>Finalize landscape analysis</del></li> <li>• Assess condition of cultural resources</li> <li>• <del>Complete archaeological mapping</del></li> </ul>
Management	National Historic site management plan	● Active	October	Aboriginal consultation completed. On track for completion.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <del>Present to AB</del></li> <li>• <del>Finalize for Aboriginal consultation</del></li> <li>• <del>Carry out Aboriginal consultation</del></li> <li>• Finalize draft</li> <li>• Internal review</li> <li>• CEO approval</li> <li>• Minister's approval</li> <li>• Tabling in Parliament</li> </ul>
	Community plan	● Active	October	Draft ready for review by the Community Liaison Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <del>Review by community committee</del></li> <li>• <del>Second draft</del></li> <li>• <del>Review</del></li> <li>• <del>Presentation to community</del></li> <li>• Review</li> <li>• Finalize</li> <li>• Forward to Planning Committee</li> <li>• Consultation</li> <li>• Forward to Council</li> <li>• Consultation</li> <li>• Approval</li> </ul>

	<b>WH management plan</b>	● Active	June	Draft archaeological heritage strategy reviewed and supported in principle by authorities. Draft risk preparedness plan being prepared. Coastal erosion study finalized. Final review by management plan working group.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <del>Complete the Archaeological Heritage Strategy</del></li> <li>● Risk preparedness plan</li> <li>● Governance structure</li> <li>● <del>Condition assessment and indicators</del></li> <li>● <del>Finalize landscape analysis</del></li> <li>● Coastal study</li> <li>● Dyke maintenance policies</li> </ul>
<b>Commitments</b>	<b>Governance structure</b>	● Active	July	Meeting with RDA, Parks Canada, and Municipality outlined the key principles and structure.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <del>Meet with provincial authorities</del></li> <li>● Meet with Parks Canada</li> <li>● Prepare Terms of Reference of governance structure</li> </ul>
	<b>Memorandum of understanding</b>	● Active	December	Discussions on MOU has begun.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Draft MOU</li> <li>● Review by AB</li> </ul>
	<b>Implementation</b>	● Not active	January 2011	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●</li> </ul>
<b>Dossier preparation</b>	<b>Appendices</b>	● Active	January 2011	Work underway	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Compile legislation</li> <li>● Complete archaeological reports</li> </ul>
	<b>Translation</b>	● Not active	January 2011	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●</li> </ul>
	<b>Editing</b>	● Not active	January 2011	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>●</li> </ul>
	<b>Photo and mapping</b>	● Active	May	List of photographs has been prepared for the nomination proposal. Key maps are ready. Mapping work has begun.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Finalize RFP for photography</li> <li>● Prepare inventory of photos</li> </ul>
<b>Legacy project</b>	<b>Analysis</b>	● Completed	February	Consultants completed report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <del>Consultants' report received</del></li> </ul>
	<b>Implementation</b>	● Active	October	Discussions underway between Parks Canada and the Kings RDA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Outline project</li> <li>● Set up committee</li> </ul>