Lot 11 and Area Watershed Management Group, Inc.

Six Year Work Summary Brief

(FY 2009-2010 to FY 2014-2015)

Our group acts on behalf of a 15-member community watershed planning committee comprising residents, farmers, fishers, commercial/business groups, woodlot owners, tourism representatives, community groups/organizations, and Community Councilors.

This committee developed and stated the objectives and methods for our group in the *Lot 11 and Area Watershed Management Plan.* Watershed issues, and sometimes conflicting interests, were thoroughly explored over a period of 18 months in a consensus-building process. This plan was ratified unanimously in an advertised, public meeting on April 20, 2011 and it represents the community's will and our group's mandate.

In short, our work focuses on action in the field and in the community. We concentrate on demonstrable outcomes... ones achieved through hard work, reason, and a commitment to listening to others. Here are a few highlights of our remarkable accomplishments over the past six years.

- 4530 trees/shrubs planted in river border areas
- Four major in-stream sediment traps constructed and maintained
- One major private clay road restored/stabilized
- Two major private culverts replaced
- Two rock-pool fish ladders constructed
- Ellerslie school playground improvement cooperative project completed
- 476 brushmat sediment stabilizers constructed and maintained
- 900 migratory obstacles corrected
- 6 public AGMs, 6 cooperative newsletters, cooperative website development/maintenance
- Trash removal along rivers, Conway Sand Hills, and other estuary borders
- Alder succession management in seven stream systems.
- Initial and ongoing technical assessment in geophysical watersheds
- One free community water testing clinic
- Three presentations/seminars at schools and youth groups
- 17 km of interpretive trails constructed and maintained
- 5 years of conducting the community summer watershed/recreational day camp

From outside sources - our group has brought to our community:

- A countless value in community pride, watershed improvements, wildlife protection, and potential citizen welfare
- Over \$239,000 in wages for community members doing productive work for the community's benefit
- Over \$45,000 of in-kind goods (trees/shrubs)
- Over \$20,700 for contracting services performed by local businesses