

# Tongass Transition Collaborative

## Meeting Agenda

**WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2023 – THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023**  
**PRINCE OF WALES VOCATIONAL AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION CENTER**  
**6565 BOUNDARY RD., KLAWOCK, AK**

### Meeting Objectives

1. Increase collective understanding of current and potential future forest conditions, timber supply, and market opportunities.
2. Build upon work group products to develop recommendations for young growth management and implementation. \*
3. Clarify next steps for TTC engagement.

### Background Materials

The TTC website's [Background Resources page](#) contains information about previous and current young growth transition efforts. (Scroll down to Background Resources toward the bottom of the page.) Additional background materials will be posted/circulated prior to the meeting.

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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2023**

**10:00am** ***Box Lunches Available To-Go***  
*Fireweed Lodge, Klawock, AK*  
*(Please pack/bring a to-go lunch; Transportation is available from Fireweed Lodge to POW VocTech Center)*

**11:00am** ***Welcome and Introductions***  
*Prince of Wales Vocational and Technical Education Center*

- Welcome
- Land acknowledgement
- Meeting and field trip objectives, schedule/agenda, and protocols

**11:15am** ***Southeast Alaska Sustainability Strategy – Forest Management (SASS-fm)***  
*Sheila Spores, Forest Management Staff Officer, Tongass National Forest*

- Presentation/overview of SASS-fm and its purpose
- Role of TTC and broader public engagement
- Next steps in Forest planning

\*Note: We are not seeking consensus recommendations. We will note the levels of concurrence (or not) for each recommendation and describe varying perspectives where they exist.

**Basin-Level Analysis and Scenario Planning***Mike Sheets, Young Growth Coordinator, Tongass National Forest*

- 12:00pm**
- Presentation/overview of analysis and scenario planning for Thorne Bay and Staney Creek Basins
  - Results of scenarios, including potential harvest amounts and changes/variability stand structure

**Field Trip: Integrated Forest Management**

The field trip will build on the Basin-Level Analysis and Scenario Planning efforts. The intent is to explore opportunities and barriers to implementing integrated approaches to resource restoration and commercial young growth harvest.

Field sites will include opportunities to observe and increase understanding of:

- 1:00pm**
1. Forest management prescriptions (e.g., pre-commercial thinning, commercial thinning, harvest approaches, etc.).
  2. Changes in stand structure over time and in response to management approaches.
  3. Stand volume changes over time, and differences in harvest age (e.g., harvest at “2-log” tree vs CMAI).

*\*More detailed field schedule forthcoming. We will depart POW VocTech Center at 1pm and eat packed lunch on the road/field sites.*

**6:00pm Return to Fireweed Lodge**

*\*Anyone parked at the VocTech Center will be returned to their vehicles*

**7:00pm Community Dinner**

*Fireweed Lodge (6863 Klawock Hollis Hwy, Klawock, AK)*

**THURSDAY, MAY 4, 2023****Coffee and Box Lunches Available To-Go**

*Fireweed Lodge, Klawock, AK*

**8:00am**

*(Please pack/bring a to-go lunch; Transportation available to VocTech Center)*

**Welcome and Reflections**

*Prince of Wales Vocational and Technical Education Center*

**8:30am**

- Summarize and discuss field trip outcomes/takeaways
- Reflect on community dinner/evening conversations

9:00am	<b>Sustainable Timber Supply</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review and discuss Supply Work Group suggestions</li><li>• Develop recommendations</li></ul>
10:30am	<b>Break</b>
10:50pm	<b>Integrated Forest Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review and discuss Management Prescriptions and Integrated Management Work Group suggestions</li><li>• Develop recommendations</li></ul>
12:15pm	<b>Lunch</b> <i>(Packed lunches, Outdoor location TBD)</i>
1:00 pm	<b>Young Growth Wood Product Feasibility Project</b> <i>Georgia Reid, Geoconsulting</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Presentation of results of a Prince of Wales young growth wood product hub initial feasibility project</li><li>• Overview of feedback from small mill owners</li><li>• Discussion</li></ul>
1:45pm	<b>Products and Markets for an Integrated Industry</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review and discuss Products and Markets Work Group suggestions</li><li>• Develop recommendations</li></ul>
2:45 pm	<b>Break</b>
3:05pm	<b>Meaningful Community Engagement</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review and discuss Community Engagement Work Group suggestions</li><li>• Develop recommendations</li></ul>
4:30pm	<b>Next Steps and Closure</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Review steps to finalize recommendations and meeting outcomes</li><li>• Future TTC engagement</li><li>• Reflections on meeting and process to date</li></ul>
5:30pm	<b>Adjourn</b>