

Bibliography of the Athabasca River Basin: Update and Planning

April 19, 2011 – Meeting summary

Attendees:

ARBRI – Dietmar Kennepohl

Economic -- Aris Solomon, Kiran Choudry

Humanities -- Greg Johnson, Nadine Byers

Library Services – Tony Tin, Colin Elliott, Tracey Woodburn

Science – Robert Holmberg, Shauna Reckseidler-Zenteno, Lisa Carter, Terilynn Schofield

Social Science -- Mike Gismondi, Vandy Bowyer

Roundtable update

Economic

- Change of section title discussed (from business → economic) reasons; this section will include government infrastructure and commerce as well as “business”.
- Economic profile created by Aris and Kiran is on the barbwiki under reports:
http://barbwiki.athabascau.ca/images/a/a2/ARBRI_Economic_Profile-2.pdf
- 400 + references (all of the grey literature) pulled from the companies studied in this report

Action items:

- 1) How to link the report? As a whole, or use as content for the “Economic Page” of the BARB wiki.
- 2) Continue to collect references from the businesses cited in the economic update

Science

- Welcome Terrilyn, Shauna, and Lisa
- Robert has edited the Theses part of the Science section, adding keywords.
- 180 universities have students who have done theses on the ARB.
- Science section lists the different research stations in the ARB.
- Robert did a presentation for Science Outreach and would like this added to the wiki

Action items:

- 1) Terilynn will edit the changes Robert has made to the Theses part of the bibliography
- 2) Tracey will add Robert’s presentation to the wiki (under presentations)
- 3) Should theses statistics be added to the Science section as content for the web page?

Social Sciences

- Mike has arranged for 2 researchers to donate their bibliographies to the BARB project (possibly more forthcoming.)

- Mike has collections of visual stills and videos, bibliographies, and a collection he used while preparing his book that can be included in BARB
- 2,800 in bibliography, topics include: First Nations, Education, Public Health, Traditional Knowledge

Action item:

- 1) Discussion of Social Sciences content for web page with Colin and Tracey needed
- 2) Topics list (for all sections of the bibliography)

Humanities

- Welcome Nadine (started in early April)
- Converting word format to excel, revisiting each item and adding content as well as adding new references found during this process

Action item:

- 1) Discussion of Humanities content for the web page with Colin and Tracey is needed.
- 2) Create a topic list

Library Services

- Website is ready for content from each section: <http://barbau.ca/>
- Colin demonstrated specialized functions of Drupal, Biblio, Apache Solr (ppt. on wiki under Presentations)
 - Future feature? Cart to e-mail/store references
 - Geo-tagging maps with the locational keywords collected
- BARB poster for the upcoming research forum (April 20) was displayed
- Colin discussed the synonym list
- Discussion of adding notes to web page on how to access items that are linked through a subscription database
- Researcher access (ARB) to the library database (similar to the alumni subscription) to be followed up at a later date. Possibly "Friends of the Athabasca River Basin" special access.

Action items:

- 1) Continue website content consultations with each group
- 2) Post "topics" "keywords" list to wiki for discussion, editing to create a common language (check with reference librarians re: headings- Library of Congress, Canadian Subject Headings.)
- 3) Add Google Map "Flyover" of the ARB to the website and wiki
- 4) Continue researching Drupal modules for additional website features

TEK (Traditional Ecological Knowledge) Project - Mike

- SEMA, Fort McMurray collection: consists of consultant reports, corporate literature collected up until 2006 (500 entries) Mike has proposed \$15,000 to take over their current entries and update to 2011.

Further discussion

- Watershed Council, State of the River Report: Hatfield Consultants has put an unedited version of the BARB science listings (20,500?) online. Robert is credited “deep in the appendices” public will be going to the consulting company to access this.
- May 26th meeting in Hinton, Robert will be talking about BARB site.
- Photo donations for the image bank (Mike and Vandy) Colin has given Robert an excel file for his collection.
- New definitions of the Athabasca River Basin, should rivers draining into Lake Athabasca be included? (Uranium mining, nuclear power?)

Action items:

- 1) Letter to Consultants to be composed by BARB academics asking for acknowledgment, “Please refer to the BARBAU site...”
- 2) Beta BARB site available by May 26th
- 3) Provide Colin with photos in an excel file for the image bank (post excel file template to barbwiki.)
Solicit private donations of photos
- 4) Discussion about possible expansion of the geographical definition of the ARB needed