

Town Hall Wrap Report

The first town hall meeting for Osum's Taiga project was held on December 3, 2008 at the Harbourview Centre in Cold Lake, Alberta. Approximately 115 people were in attendance, including 15 Osum staff and consultants.

One-on-one exit interviews were conducted with 15 participants. Comments are summarized below.

Of those participants asked, 60% indicated that they had heard about the town hall from Osum generated sources, such as the newsletter, website, or ads in local newspapers. The balance of respondents identified word-of-mouth type sources such as Osum staff, employees of other oil companies in the community and community leaders.

Respondents were asked if they attended all of the community town hall meetings. Nearly half indicated that they indeed attended all of the town halls. Those that responded in the negative were asked to provide the selection criteria which compelled them to attend. The overwhelming reason offered for attending the event was to market services or to seek employment. Other areas of interest to participants included proximity of the project to homes and property, and curiosity about Osum's past activity at Marie Lake.

Satisfaction ratings for event arrangements were very high, with 100% of respondents rating the venue, the meal, and the format of the town hall as very good or excellent. Additional comments included positive response to the number of Osum staff in attendance, and how knowledgeable they were about the project.