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OK to send up this week.

Thanks.

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Hi, Sandy:

At your request, below are two hot issues for Montana: East Helena ORD work and Anaconda Aluminum public meeting. Please let me know if you have any questions or if you require

additional information.

Thank you,

Joe

EPA OFFICE OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT VISITS EAST HELENA SITE FOR PERMEABLE REACTIVE BARRIER PILOT TEST SAMPLING: The EPA Office of Research and Development will visit the East Helena site the week of October 3-7, 2016, in order to continue monitoring of the permeable reactive barrier (PRB) ground water treatment pilot test. Rick Wilkin and two of his crew will be in East Helena this week to sample the pilot project PRB. The PRB was installed in 2006 as a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) hazardous waste corrective action Interim Measure and pilot project for the treatment of arsenic contaminated ground water at the site. PRB technology is considered an effective *in-situ* treatment for contaminated ground water. A more detailed description of the project can be viewed at https://frtr.gov/costperformance/profile.cfm?ID=395&CaseID=395. ORD will be conducting the annual ground water sampling event. They will begin sampling the PRB wells Tuesday morning(10/4) and should be done by Thursday afternoon (10/6).

Information only; no action required by the RA/DRA.

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EPA HOLDS PUBLIC MEETING FOR FINAL NATIONAL PRIORITIES LIST DESIGNATION OF THE ANACONDA ALUMINUM COLUMBIA FALLS REDUCTION PLANT AS A SUPERFUND SITE: EPA held a public meeting Thursday evening, September 29, 2016, at Columbia Falls Junior High School in Columbia Falls, Montana, to discuss the final listing of the Anaconda Aluminum Columbia Falls Reduction Plant (Columbia Falls Aluminum Company, or CFAC) on the Superfund National Priorities List. EPA added the CFAC site to the National Priorities List (NPL) on September 9, 2016. The meeting was to discuss the implications of the listing and next steps. The meeting was attended by over 50 people, and included members of the community, local and state elected officials, and representatives of

Senator Tester, Senator Daines, and Congressman Zinke. ATSDR was on hand to describe its involvement and responsibilities, and Montana DEQ and EPA discussed the listing, answered questions from the community, and outlined the Superfund process moving forward. The meeting was also attended by the local media (Flathead Beacon and Daily Interlake newspapers).

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