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MEDIA

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San Mateo Daily Journal: Reporter Samantha Weigel is working on a story about the reported disproportionate amount of federal funds for San Francisco Bay restoration compared to significantly higher funds for Chesapeake, Great Lakes, etc. Sent info on SF Bay grants, referred Qs on EPA watershed funding in other regions to HQ press office. WTR. CLOSED. (v) Suzanne Skadowski

KCRW "Which Way LA": Reporter Katie Cooper was looking to see if Jared could participated in a taped panel discussion about the UIC issue. Unable to make scheduling work on such quick notice, but told the reporter to check back mid-march should they do a story update. WATER. CLOSED. (v). Nahal Mogharabi.

Ojai Valley News: Sent Reporter Kimberly Rivers written response regarding her question about a particular well in Ojai, Calif. WATER. CLOSED. (v). Nahal Mogharabi.

UCLA Daily Bruin: Student reporter Aimee Hou is working on a video series named Learning From LA: Possible Clean Air Policy in China. The documentary project is inspired by Chai Jing's new documentary "Under The Dome" and wants to talk about the CAA and how EPA has improved air quality in LA. Received questions. May send over to Air District. AIR. OPEN. Nahal Mogharabi.

NBC TV: Reached out to Investigative Reporter Joel Grover to get some additional information on his FOIA request for radioactivity measurements in 1959 in order to get him to cancel his FOIA request. OPEN. (v). Nahal Mogharabi.

WEB

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Social Media:
Zero Waste/Food Waste – Posted to our Twitter and Facebook pages the EPA Connect blog by the Regional Administrator, This Year's Super Bowl Filled 70,000 Plates on the Path to Zero Waste.

Web Updates:
San Francisco Bay Delta Watershed – Posted updates to fix accessibility issues on several pages of the San Francisco Bay Delta Watershed website.

CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

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Rep. Dina Titus (D-NV-1): Brent Maier received word from the Congresswoman's District Scheduler, Lisa Levine, indicating that Congresswoman Dina Titus would like to attend the Friday, March 6th awards presentation event at the MGM in Las Vegas. Brent has alerted the Front Office as well as the EPA participants for the Friday event. Brent prepared a short biography of the Congresswoman for the Front Office.

Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA): Brent Maier received an inquiry from Sabiha Khan, Field Representative in Sen. Feinstein's Los Angeles Office. Sabiha had a meeting scheduled for later today with the Orange County Business Council (OCBC), who had reached out to her to discuss an issue with the north groundwater basin in Orange County and some discussion among the OCBC and the Orange County Water District regarding the potential for a Superfund designation in that area. Brent coordinated and participated in a conference call with Ms. Kahn and Superfund's John Lyons, Caleb Shaffer, Rachelle Thompson and Nicole Moutoux to provide her with some background information on this issue and answer questions prior to her meeting with the OCBC later today.

Congressional Outreach on Montrose/Del Amo Superfund Sites: Congressional staff from the offices of Senators Barbara Boxer and Dianne Feinstein and Rep. Maxine Waters participated in a call with Superfund Division managers/staff to provide an update of activities at the site the vapor intrusion work EPA will be conducting in the Harbor Gateway neighborhood adjacent to the Sites as well as an update on the proposed Dense Non-Aqueous Phase Liquid (DNAPL) cleanup plan for the Montrose Superfund Site as well as talk about the work EPA is doing to address the pCBSA issues. Congressional participants included Sabiha Khan, Field Representative in the Office of Senator Dianne Feinstein; Maurice Lyles, Field Representative in the Office of Senator Barbara Boxer; and Hamilton Cloud, Special Projects Director in the Office of Congresswoman Maxine Waters. EPA Participants included Brent Maier, Dana Barton, John Lyons, Cynthia Wetmore, David Yogi, Yolanda Sanchez, Steven Leonido-John, and Nahal Mogharabi.

Congressional Outreach on Arizona NSR Rule: Brent Maier shared a fact sheet and pre-publication Federal Register Notice with

Congressional staff for the entire Arizona Congressional delegation regarding the RA signing a notice of proposed rulemaking for the Arizona New Source Review (NSR) Program. EPA is proposing a limited approval and limited disapproval of revisions to the State Implementation Plan (SIP) that are primarily intended to replace Arizona Department of Environmental Quality's (ADEQ) current NSR program.

California Legislative Analyst Office Report: 2015-16 Budget Overview of Natural Resources Agency and Departments: March 5, 2015 – PDF: Presented to: California Senate Budget and Fiscal Review Subcommittee No. 2 on Resources, Environmental Protection, Energy, and Transportation. Hon. Lois Wolk, Chair
http://www.lao.ca.gov/handouts/resources/2015/Budget-Overview-Natural-Resources-Agency-030515.pdf

Legislation:

Introduced on March 4, 2015 - H.R. 1327: To amend the Clean Air Act to delay the review and revision of the national ambient air quality standards for ozone. Sponsor: Rep. Matt Salmon (R-AZ-5)

Introduced on March 4, 2015 - H.R. 1278: To authorize the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to establish a program of awarding grants to owners or operators of water systems to increase resiliency or adaptability of the systems to any ongoing or forecasted changes. Sponsor: Rep. Lois Capps (D-CA-24)

Upcoming EPA Budget Hearings:

Wednesday, March 18, 2015: Ken Kopocis, Office of Water and Mathy Stanislaus, OSWER will testify on the Wednesday, March 18th before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment on the fiscal year 2016 EPA budget.

Wednesday, March 25, 2015: EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy will testify on Wednesday, March 25th before the Senate Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Environment and Public Works Administrator McCarthy will be the only witness and will discuss the fiscal year 2016 EPA budget.