To: Rao, Kate[Rao.kate@epa.gov]
Cc: Gambatese, Jason[Gambatese.Jason@epa.gov]; Dermer, Michele[Dermer.Michele@epa.gov]
From: McWhirter, Lisa
Sent: Thur 7/30/2015 4:43:09 PM
Subject: Re: Weekly Reminder - due COB Tuesday July 28th

Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

From: Montgomery, Michael
Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2015 11:16 AM
To: Dermer, Michele; McWhirter, Lisa
Cc: Rao, Kate; Gambatese, Jason
Subject: FW: Weekly Reminder - due COB Tuesday July 28th

Hi Michele/Lisa –

Can we get something in the weekly on the 7/31 State deadline and the meeting we are tryig to set up re the class I/class II coordination with CA. thanks

Mike

From: Rao, Kate

Sent: Thursday, July 30, 2015 6:48 AM
To: R9_WTR_MANAGERS
Cc: Amato, Paul; Gambatese, Jason
Subject: RE: Weekly Reminder - due COB Tuesday July 28th

Hello Managers –

I have only heard from Gail and Sam. Please let me know as soon as you can if there is anything you want me to include in the weekly.

Thanks. Kate

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From: Rao, Kate
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2015 12:04 PM
To: R9_WTR_MANAGERS
Cc: Amato, Paul
Subject: Weekly Reminder - due COB Tuesday July 28th

Hello WD Managers:

Please submit items for the weekly via EMAIL to me by **COB Tuesday July 28th.**

Please be sure to include any drought related activities and any significant items for the next couple of weeks. In addition, include relevant dates for the items submitted, along with POCs.

I have pasted below last week's weekly as a point of reference.

Thanks. Kate

WEEKLY REPORT

Region 9

Environmental Protection Agency

Week of July 24, 2015

Water Division

Highlight of Past Week

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California Oil and Gas UIC Program: : On 7/22, we had a call with Jason Gray of the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies regarding California UIC Class II program oversight and the status of aquifer exemptions. We committed to updating Jason on any new developments as this issue moves forward. (Albright, 2-3971)

Significant Items for Next Week

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Harmful Algal Blooms: Recognizing the growing concerns with harmful algal blooms (HABs), and in response to worsening conditions brought on by the current drought, we compiled and will distribute a list of Frequently Asked Questions and resources on HABs and cyanobacterial toxins or "cyanotoxins." The document is intended to help provide interested stakeholders, members of the public, as well as regional staff and managers, a basic understanding of HABs and issues pertaining to HABs as well as links to resources and contact information for more in-depth information. (Amato 2-3847, Li 2-3560, Louis 2-3467)

California Oil and Gas UIC Program: : On 7/27, we will have a call with Kyle Lombardi, Legislative Director for House Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy, on the status of the California UIC Class II program and aquifer exemptions. (Albright, 2-3971)

Press Stories, Significant Policy, Regulatory, or Legal Actions (2-3 weeks out)

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Grant Announcements

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Legislative Engagement

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Travel, Training, Public/National Meetings, and Speaking Engagements

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Drought Related

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Water Loss Control Auditing Workshops: The Water Loss Control Auditing Workshop series that we've been helping organize is about to begin. The first workshops will be held in August under the direction of Southern California Edison in coordination with the American Water Works Association (AWWA) California-Nevada chapter. We've been working on the scope of workshops to be funded under contracts issued by the CA Department of Water Resources, and plan to provide WaterSense training at selected workshops. Ultimately there will be approximately 20 workshops held which will target over 300 California water utilities. (Kemmerer, 213-244-1832)

30-60 Day Outlook

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Other Information

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GAO review of UIC Class II Enforcement: On 8/12, WTR and ENF managers will be meeting with GAO analysts who are reviewing EPA and state class II program enforcement as a follow-up to their Class II program review last year. We are one of several regions to be interviewed by GAO, along with HQs personnel in OECA and OW, and multiple states running Class II oil and gas programs. The primary focus of GAO's review with Region 9 will be our oversight of enforcement for the Class II program in CA. (Albright; 2-3971)

Acting Division Director's Schedule: Mike Montgomery will be in all week.

Internal to Region 9

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