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From: Cote, Mel
Sent: Mon 11/14/2016 9:40:03 PM
Subject: RE: LIS DMMP Steering Committee Meeting

Just to let you know I have not heard back from David Kaiser since responding to his message last Wednesday. Will keep you posted.

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Sure thing, Jeff. Will loop you in on scheduling.

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Thanks, Mel. Yes myself, Buddy and/or Pat would like to be on this call.

-Jeff

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Jeff, wanted you guys to know we received this message yesterday from NOAA's national federal consistency coordinator, and that we'll be setting up a call to discuss ASAP. I sent them the CLDS-WLDS amended rule that established the steering committee and RDT, noting the site use restrictions, which expand on the recommendations in the DMMP, were the primary basis for NY DOS concurring with our federal consistency determination for that action. Please let me know if you or someone on your staff would like to be on this call. Thanks.

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Subject: Fwd: LIS DMMP Steering Committee Meeting

Hi Mel,

Sorry I missed your call last week; I was on leave and spending time with my daughter, son-in-law, and grand-children who were visiting from Sweden. I know you spoke with Kerry, but please let me know if you still want to discuss.

Related to that is this interesting email from the Corps on using the LIS DMMP Steering Committee (SC) to explore funding for beneficial use of dredged material and reducing open-water disposal in LIS. **Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process**

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Please let me know when you are available.

Ex. 5 - Deliberative Process

Thanks,

David

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LIS DMMP Interagency Steering Committee Members and Interested Agencies:

Now that the LIS DMMP has been finalized and the EPA has signed the final rule for the Central & Western LIS sites, implementing the recommendations of the DMMP to focus on measures and projects to reduce reliance on open water placement of dredged materials in LIS will require close coordination and executive guidance. The USACE would like to resume efforts of the Steering Committee (and the LIS Regional Dredging Team) to investigate, champion and pursue funding of placement alternatives with a focus on beneficial use. Towards that end, the Corps believes it important for the Steering Committee and the RDT to be expanded to include the US Navy, US Coast Guard, Port Authorities and other State agencies from CT, NY and RI which have the ability to provide funding for beneficial use projects and other alternatives.

I would ask that you provide a response to the following questions:

1. Will your agency continue to participate in the Steering Committee and/or the RDT?
2. Will you continue to represent your agency as a member of the Steering Committee, and if not who will be your agency's representative?
3. Please provide any suggestions for agencies/representatives/alternates that I may have missed, or who could assist in implementing alternatives, including providing cost sharing.

The USACE is planning a committee meeting (likely mid-Dec) - more details to follow. For now, we would like to get the membership and representatives identified so that we can begin coordinating dates and locations for a Steering Committee meeting.

I appreciate your attention to this matter.

Thank you,

Scott

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