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It may be more constructive for ARC/BP to have a principals- only meeting with the tribal chairmen.

> On Jan 30, 2018, at 9:29 PM, Herrera, Angeles <Herrera.Angeles@epa.gov> wrote:
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> Round table went smoothly. All the different stakeholders were represented except the city and county. Chairman Thom joined the round table in half way. NDEP did a nice job presenting the deferral agreement, IAOC, site schedule and their plans for stakeholders involvement moving forward. Nothing controversial came up. No one asked when a decision will be made. The focus was on roles and responsibilities post deferral.
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> At the end of the meeting, Chairman Thom raised concerns about tribal funding to Greg and we ended up having an impromptu after meeting. This was a difficult discussion. The chairman is very concerned that she won't be able to get tribal council support for MOU or deferral without more certainty of a long term funding commitment. Same issues that the tribes raised last week during our meeting.
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> We committed to try to set up a meeting in Feb between ARC, both tribes' chairman, and NDEP to facilitate a discussion about direct funding from ARC to Tribes for technical support activities related to Anaconda. We made clear that we cannot commit ARC to participate in the meeting nor commit them to direct funding of the tribes.
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> Please let us know if you have any question.
> Thanks,
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