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From: Cynthia Oceguera
Sent: Thur 1/5/2017 5:12:22 PM
Subject: Re: YPT/WRPT-EPA, JAN 2017 Monthly Status Update - agenda/outline

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Good Morning, I also want to add that the change from Project Officers is a new path for Walker River and Since I have been with WR I have combined all reporting since I am the responsible party for both grants. Going forward I like the fact we are separating the two grants more specifically to tasks and work plans.

Thanks to you both, and keep in mind, GAP is paying for my salary until we get this straightened out. Just a reminder....

Cynthia O.

On Thu, Jan 5, 2017 at 9:00 AM, Rodriguez, Dante <Rodriguez.Dante@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi Cynthia,

I'll include Dave in this reply since he is project officer for the WRPT grant that expired 12/31/16. I recall it being mentioned in previous meetings that Dave was working with you to catch-up on reporting requirements.

Dave – can you clarify whether WRPT had caught up on its reporting obligations for their grant that expired 12/31/16? Cynthia pointed out that the monthly agenda/notes states that WRPT still was catching up on reporting, but she believes they are up-to-date. Thanks!

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Good morning Dante,

I was reading the provided notes and I just want to assure you in regards to the Superfund

activities, I have reported to Veronica Swann all of the activities in reporting combined with the GAP Grant activities since 02/2015. If there is a format or you need specific details, she should have all of that. Of course, I have not had a conversation with her since August 2016. That was around the time, we were both trying to get confirmation for the Wabuska OU7 project I had in mind with USGS. We both had challenges with communication.

The note sounds as though I am negligent with my reporting. What do you need copies of for Walker River? For what timeframe and how do you want me to proceed in 2017. I not have seen any separate reporting for Superfund and the GAP Grant.

Please advise, Thank you,

Cynthia Oceguera

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On Wed, Jan 4, 2017 at 9:51 AM, Rodriguez, Dante <Rodriguez.Dante@epa.gov> wrote:

ANACONDA SUPERFUND SITE

MONTHLY STATUS MEETING: YPT/WRPT-EPA

DATE: January 2017

PARTICIPANTS: Dave Seter (EPA), Dante Rodriguez (EPA)

Ginny Hatch (YPT), Cynthia Oceguera (WRPT), Dietrick McGinnis (McG&A), Sarah Peters (McG&A), Pheona Oyugi (McG&A)

OU0. SITEWIDE:

∀ **NPL Listing** –

o ARC proposal submitted to governor for public-private solution to defer listing. EPA generally defers if private party is willing to fund/conduct response action, or state actively pursuing agreement with capable party. ARC proposal is to fully fund OU8 (not band-aid). EPA informed tribes of the discussions, NDEP informed city/county. Received proposal, EPA/BLM reviewed, discussed, met with NDEP, BLM, ARC 12/14 in Carson City. Greg/Dave Emme met with RA 12/9, followup meeting late January. Eugenia provided NPL listing schedule and noted which point is final sign-off, where we could still pull the plug and delay listing.

o Public comments, Nov 8 was close of public comment period, received 30+ comments, SPS commented, ARC too. A YPT member requested extension of public comment period, HQ evaluated, not extended, requestor had commented though and comments were included. Eugenia has summary of comments categorized, preliminary

draft of responses, will identify ones that require RPM assistance, sent two groundwater related questions to Dave. Will send revised site summary to Enrique per Harry.

∀ **Community Involvement** –

o CIP. Draft, EPA team reviewed. Sarah arranged additional YPT interviews. Sarah hasn't shared with workgroup yet, was waiting for tribes input. Eugenia: in NPL response to comments, can mention this outreach.

o Fact sheet. Sarah put on hold. Plan was to give OU updates, upcoming activities, NPL comment period, mainly OU4 and OU7.

∀ **TT SharePoint Site** – TT contact ending, CBI (E2) to host using Dante's TO#044, Chris coordinated. Chris can have contractor go back and make sure any new stuff gets transferred after new site is up. CBI provided link to new document repository, they are uploading documents, Chris reviewing, provided us with link. Different product than Sharepoint.

∀ **Tribal Grants** – Dave/Dante working on new SOWs, have money planned from special account for both tribes.

o **YPT Site-wide.** YPT council approved site-wide workplan, currently expires January, all OU's except 07. Sometime in FY17, prepare new grant for OU8 RD? or just leave it within Sitewide grant.

o **YPT OU7.** Ginny submitted extension request for OU7 grant, EPA approved, extended to 10/31/17 but needs new money soon. Potential transition – expend the money for sampling etc, then close out and transition activities to site-wide grant.

o **WRPT Site-wide.** grant ends 12/31, need to catch-up on reporting, Dante to take over as PO.

OU1. Groundwater:

∀ **Remedial Investigation** –

o Background. ARC background document, revised and resubmitted 11/14. Dave: received report, Acree/Ford reviewing, end of Dec, tribe will review.

o Geochemistry. Dave provided some "like to have" items for ARC to include in RI, let them move on without revising document.

o Bedrock. Incorporate comments into RI report.

o RI Report. B&C to complete, ARC contractor transition to be completed by

December 31 (no more BC involvement thereafter), Greg Davis retiring but will have access to him through Papadopulous, assume Greg Davis will assist through RI completion but not FS.

ARC awaiting resolution of background issue (above) although not critical path item for RI, plume stability (FS-related).

∀ **Feasibility Study** – ARC to include restoration alternative, don't revise memo or respond to comments, ARC will provide brief position statement on issues of disagreement. ARC awaiting EPA direction on RAOs and tech screening for next tech memos, plume stability (which wells to include).

Ginny said investors had proposed charcoal filtration (in the context of OU4a), chairman might want her to discuss it with us.

∀ **Risk Assessment** TM on CSM, ARC awaiting resolution on background before proceeding with workplan. Chris, big picture issues probably already decided through Acree/Ford intense involvement, probably could streamline Sophia's reviews. Best to get on Sophia's calendar early.

∀ **Bottled water –** EPA received ARC request to cease program, including tribe and residences. Provided initial response, shared letter with tribe. ARC stopped bottled water and sampling for each resident upon connection to city water. Residents received settlement. 95 had received bottled water 34 had not been hooked-up so they are still receiving bottled water. Dave will check City water for compliance with regs, check data for tribe's system (coordinate with Carl Banks). Outreach to tribe needed before stop bottled water program. EPA will wait until RI final before make decision about tribe's bottled water, also need discuss other issues. Dave sent letter about domestic well monitoring, ARC will respond. Jack: couple monitoring wells had safety concerns, on path to resolving, should be up and running soon. Dave: received correspondence from ARC, haven't reviewed yet.

OU3. Process Area:

∀ **Remedial Investigation** – Report received, Hill reviewing, expect review by end of December, tribe too, review by January.

∀ **Risk Assessment** –

o Tech Memo #3. ARC submittal 8/5, Chris comments 9/27, held discussion with ARC team, followup on trespasser scenario, want to be consistent with OU-8, Alma progressing on workplan. Chris: working on response, Hill providing input, then ARC can issue workplan.

o HHRA workplan. Chris expects delivery end of calendar year, for review and comment, Hill review (contract extended). Dave: workplan can then go to stakeholders

for input. Need to figure out how to address VLT, interim steps? Tribal interest due to ecological receptor movement.

o HHRA. Chris anticipates draft this winter.

∀ **FS/PP/ROD -** Complete RI and HHRA, de-prioritize FS.

OU4a. Evaporation Ponds:

∀ **Field Work** – field work complete, samples at lab. When have data tables can discuss and decide whether data collection is complete. ESI started receiving data, started validation. ARC wants BC to wrap-up this document. DSR, shooting for end of year, BC deadline contractually. Separate document with data evaluation.

∀ Note that crust of dust suppressant was broken, ARC re-applied to all areas they could access in lined and unlined ponds.

∀ Key objective is determining whether contaminants enter groundwater, will get input from tribes.

OU7. Wabuska Drain:

∀ **Analytical Results** – Lab results received and reviewed, discussed with ARC team, received DSR, expect evaluation tech memo, next meeting Jan 10. Review memo and prepare team for January meeting. Dante: plans to do letter response to ARC position that no further work is required, after tech meeting.

∀ **YPT SAP/QAPP** –

o YPT QAPP/SAP, EPA QAMS compared to Sitewide QAPP and ARC OU7 QAPP/SAP, confirmed consistency, minor comments, McGinnis revised/resubmitted, final approval yet? QAMs awaiting revisions still.

o Request for EPA lab services submitted, underway.

o Dante provided SAP/QAPP to CBI, NDEP, BLM. Comments received from ARC, McGinnis recommended to client to do RTC and revise document, noted that document applied to other work besides Superfund. NDEP reviewed and generally agreed too. Jack: big picture question of how it fits into RI. Dante: will do letter response to ARC comment on YPT plan, ARC position that no further work is necessary. Dante: QAMS reviewed ARC comments, reiterated acceptance of YPT QAPP.

o Dietrick mobilizing January. CBI to observe field work.

∀ Dante: plans to do strategy for rail siding, peripheral components, Weber Reservoir. Dave: have additional capacity for Hill to do planning but not field work; is planning sulfur related studies that would apply to OU7 as well, can do one sampling plan for all OUs affected.

∀ **WRPT QAPP -** WRPT retained McGinnis using GAP funding to do reservation-wide QAPP.

∀ **Geothermal spill –** McGinnis doing white paper on the issues, evaporation increasing TDS concentrations in water. WRPT got sample results from samples at Julian well, near river. Dante compiled information provided, will share with Jack (?). Dante arranged for John Pinkler of water division to assist/advise, Dante provided all reports to him, he is coordinating and advising Cynthia. 30 million gallons went down river, estimated 90 MG total release. State levied fines. Send to Jack etc.

OU8. Arimetco:

∀ **Feasibility Study –** Finalized and submitted to Records Center, placed in AR. CBI found error in figure, revised and resubmitted, Dante sent revised to Records Center, they replaced. Post to SP/distribute to stakeholders. Provide to Jack

∀ **Risk Assessment –** Finalized and submitted to Records Center, placed in AR. Post to SP/distribute to stakeholders. Provide to Jack

∀ **Proposed Plan – ROD planning** –

o Proposed Plan. PP issued, public comment concluded 12/21.

o Admin Record. EPA finalized and sent to library 11/8.

o Public Meeting, Consultations. Conducted public meeting on 12/12, afternoon and evening sessions, NDEP procured court reporter. Conducted WRPT Consultation 12/13, YPT on 12/14. EPA providing contractor support for preparing public meeting, helping with slides, posters, equipment setup, operation, cleanup. WRPT had State attend consultation, YPT did not.

o RRRT. Regional Remedy Review Team, reviews remedies between $25-50M, conducted our review last week, need to do follow-up memo to HQ.

o ROD. Schedule, draft ROD 12/31. BLM funding process FY18 money requires draft ROD, package due around February. Dante: CBI to deliver draft ROD tomorrow. CBI doing summary of public comments, by end next week, agencies review and divide up comments to craft responses among CBI, EPA, BLM, NDEP.

∀ **Enhanced Evaporation –** SPS completed pilot test, presented to agencies at meeting, submitted final report. McGinnis requested the EE pilot monthly reports,

Dante will post on SP. Next step? Dave: we don't have an agreement anymore with SPS. State had given them covenants for the pilot. Next summer? Simple letter in response to report, 1 page, or go into more detail about why not technical reasons. Dave: refer to previous correspondence.

∀ **Water Balance model –** ARC, BC supposed to have updated this past fall, could shed light on effects of EE.

TRIBAL GRANTS/COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS:

∀ YPT: #V00T33601 (other than OU7)

∀ YPT: #V99T14001-0 (OU7) [1/1/15-10/31/16]

∀ WRPT: #V00T39701

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