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Roger,

Please find attached the draft Management Assistance grant application narratives and budget sheets for CORE, Bulk and Special Accounts for DEQ estimated expenses in SFY 2016 beginning on July 1, 2015. DEQ is highlighting some specific changes in anticipated work scope below to clarify our preliminary request that is higher than the budget target provided.

CORE – Similar to SFY-2015

BULK

Basin Creek Mining District OU-2 (Watershed) is moving forward from the RI/FS phase of the project and currently working on the proposed plan and interim RODs for the Crystal and Bullion mines and moving forward to the RD/RA phase in SFY 2016. This increase in scope led to an increase in DEQ staff hours.

CSCMD OU-1: the RD/RA activities are planned to increase now and in SFY 2016. We estimated an increase in the PM's hours to 45% of his time (936 total project hours). Also, we anticipated discontinued use of personal services when working on OUs 2/3 (charging time to the TA grant) with SFY 2016 PM hours charging only to the MA Bulk org units. If EPA concurs, having the PM charging to the TA for OUs 2 and 3 grant may be considered as an option to reduce the CORE and Bulk estimates.

Columbia Fall Aluminum: like the Frenchtown Mill (Smurfit) site last year that moved from the PA/SI account to being funded with its own Bulk funding, DEQ is requesting that same approach for this site this upcoming year. The site is now proposed for NPL listing and DEQ assumes costs should be tracked independently by establishing a separate budget and charging code.

Flat Creek – DEQ is presently preparing an EE/CA that will be completed in early SFY 2016 and lead to the removal design scope, construction contracting task and implementation of the remedial action. A portion of this work will occur within the MA Bulk grant.

Frenchtown Mill: With potential formal listing of the site in 2015, DEQ assumes our consultative role with EPA will increase. This is new work scope is included within the MA Bulk Grant request.

Upper Tenmile Creek – Remedial Action task will continue throughout SFY 2016. This task estimate initially reflects an expansion over SFY 2015 work scope and is included in the MA Bulk Grant.

Special Accounts

Butte Priority Soils activities are increasing as EPA and DEQ management have committed to finishing CD negotiations in SFY 2016. The expanded work scope and special expertise required for Consent Decree negotiation have been included in the SFY 2016 MA Special Account grant request.

Following your review of these preliminary grant application narratives and budget sheets, we look forward to working through your comments and defining an approach to the SFY 2016 work scope.

Thank You
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