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Subject: Re: Items for discussion with Richard Whitman on 6/28

Thank you Tony!

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 27, 2018, at 11:23 AM, Barber, Anthony <Barber.Anthony@epa.gov> wrote:

Chris,

Here are several items worth noting in prep for your call with Richard tomorrow morning. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance.

Performance Partnership Agreement: The 2018-2020 Oregon Performance Partnership Agreement is in final form and is ready to sign. There has been thorough review by staff and managers in our core media program offices of OWW and AWT, as well as opportunities for review by OCE, OERA and other offices. An original printed agreement is with both you (Pam or Michelle likely have it) and the ODEQ Director. When each of these two identical versions are signed, we'll get them exchanged for the countersignature from the other agency.

Algal Blooms: The drinking water advisory for vulnerable people and pets remains in effect for the City of Salem. Water samples taken 6/23 show cyanotoxins in the water system are below advisory levels, but the advisory remains in place pending additional testing. Oregon Health lifted the recreational advisory for Detroit Lake on 6/25. EPA Region 8's lab is set to receive samples split from Salem for cross-comparison to see if they are getting reliable/expected results. Oregon Health is expected to post a temporary rule on 7/1 requiring monitoring source-water through the summer, with a more permanent rule to be developed in 2019.

Impaired Waters: On 12/22/16, EPA Partial Approved and Partially Disapproved Oregon's 2012 303(d) List of Impaired Waters. Deliberative Process / Ex. 5

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Deliberative Process / Ex. 5 ODEQ has worked hard to get database and staffing issues resolved over the last few years. We and HQ have provided significant support during that time. Problems of the past seem to be being addressed such that future listings shouldn't have so many discrepancies.

Portland Harbor: Refer to briefing sheet from Davis Zhen on 6/26.

Columbia Temperature TMDL: In August 2017, EPA sent a letter to ID, OR, and WA State Environmental Directors requesting a renewed effort on the Columbia /Snake temperature

TMDL. In subsequent conversations with the States, all agreed that the work with the Federal agencies was critically important and were expecting EPA to be responsible for working with feds, states and tribes on a renewed work effort. Since August 2017, EPA has been in communication with the three states, federal agencies, and tribal governments on the development of a Columbia River Temperature TMDL.

Cleaner Air Oregon Rules: On Monday 6/24 ODEQ and Oregon Health opened a public comment period (until August 6th) on proposed new air rules that regulate industrial air toxics and reduce the impact these pollutants have on the health of Oregonians. The proposed Cleaner Air Oregon rules would set health risk limits on pollutants that industrial facilities emit. DEQ and OHA held a first public comment period in 2017 to receive comments on the initial Cleaner Air Oregon draft rules. The new draft rules reflect the 2018 SB 1541 legislative action and input from the 2017 public comment period. There will also be two public hearings this summer about the draft rules.

VW Settlement – school buses: ODEQ is prioritizing the use of about $18 million from the VW settlement to replace or retrofit about 450 school buses in order to reduce diesel emissions. In 2017 SB 1008 authorized and directed the completion of this effort by 2025.

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