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From: Wright, Felicia [Wright.Felicia@epa.gov]
Sent: 7/27/2020 10:09:36 PM
To: Mason, Scott [Mason.Scott@epa.gov]; Nishida, Jane [Nishida.Jane@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: R6 RTOC - McGirt and SAFETEA

Great! Thank you, Scott.

Felicia
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From: Mason, Scott <Mason.Scott@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 3:43:50 PM
To: Nishida, Jane <Nishida.Jane@epa.gov>; Wright, Felicia <Wright.Felicia@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: R6 RTOC - McGirt and SAFETEA

Felicia,

All good to proceed. Many thanks to you and Jane.

Scott

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From: Nishida, Jane <Nishida.Jane@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, July 27, 2020 8:18 AM
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Cc: Mason, Scott <Mason.Scott@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: R6 RTOC - McGirt and SAFETEA

Felicia,

Thanks for sharing the emails regarding the McGirt decision and request for tribal consultation. I mentioned this in the Friday meeting with Chad – he said Matt had also raised it with him and both are supportive of moving forward with tribal consultation.

Jane

From: Wright, Felicia <Wright.Felicia@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, July 23, 2020 3:40 PM
To: Nishida, Jane <Nishida.Jane@epa.gov>
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FYI—OGC support

From: Byrne, Andrew <Byrne.Andrew@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, July 21, 2020 5:36 PM

To: Mason, Scott <Mason.Scott@epa.gov>; Zimmer, Nathaniel <zimmer.nathaniel@epa.gov>
Cc: Wright, Felicia <Wright.Felicia@epa.gov>
Subject: R6 RTOC - McGirt and SAFETEA

Scott and Nate,

An update on a unique issue coming out of last week's Supreme Court *McGirt* decision, this may be raised during tomorrow's RTOC and shortly with OGC and R6 leadership.

OGC has informed me that in the next 1-2 days the State of Oklahoma is expected to formally invoke a provision in the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act (known as SAFETEA) which allows them to assume environmental program responsibility in Indian country in the State. I believe Matt Leopold previously reached out to you on this, please let me know if you need additional background on this law. The Region 6 tribes are likely aware of this pending request and it will be of major interest to them.

Ex. 5 Deliberative Process (DP)

Thanks, please let me know if you have any questions.

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