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Sent: 5/13/2020 9:31:09 PM
To: Contreras, Peter [Contreras.Peter@epa.gov]
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Subject: RE: Weekly Items

Thank you Peter. I am feeling like our monthly meeting between the four of us are really important and useful.

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From: Contreras, Peter <Contreras.Peter@epa.gov>
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Mat, I have been focused on trying to get the Umatilla letter itself out and have not t'd up any RA weekly items. I'm happy to defer to your entries.

Also thanks for your excellent "top line" messaging on ECAD/WD coordination at the OR PWS call today. Despite some of **Non-responsive per agreement**, I think our regional efforts continue coming into focus.

Thanks,

Peter

On May 13, 2020, at 1:43 PM, Martinson, Mathew <Martinson.Mathew@epa.gov> wrote:

I wanted to check with you to see if you have or are going to put things in the Weekly for the following:

1. **Non-responsive per agreement**
2. LUB GWMA – Letter feedback and intent to send out.

1. **Non-responsive per agreement**

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2. Lower Umatilla Basin Groundwater Management Agency (LUB GWMA): After several months of evaluation of the 1,500+ page petition submitted by concerned interest groups, and after several inquiries with Oregon DEQ, Oregon Health Authority, and Oregon Department of Agriculture, EPA R10's team has reached a preliminary conclusion that the State has inadequate information related to the number of individual drinking water wells in Morrow and Umatilla County located in the zone of groundwater contaminated by nitrates, and does not have a coordinated plan for protecting human health. EPA R10 has developed a letter, which has been reviewed by OGC leadership, that communicates the concern to the State and affords them an opportunity to demonstrate that EPA need not exercise its emergency authorities under Section 1431 of the Safe Drinking Water Act. The evaluations and efforts have been jointly led and coordinated by ECAD, WD and OOO staff managers.

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