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Jeaneanne- Per the email below, Administrator Wheeler is issuing letters to all governors and Tribal leaders regarding the EPA's efforts to facilitate assumption of the 404 permitting program. A letter issued to Alabama Governor Ivey is attached. This was announced in a call on Thursday, but I was not able to participate. If you have any questions about this please let us know. Tom

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> **Subject: Update on 404g - Letters from Wheeler to governors and tribal leaders**
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> Dear Regional Wetlands Managers and Staff:
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> As discussed on the regional call yesterday, Acting Administrator Wheeler is sending a letter to all the governors and tribal leaders regarding EPA's efforts to facilitate assumption of the 404 permitting program. The letters mention the Army memo on Retained Waters sent in August of 2018, EPA's FACA on assumable waters, EPA's rulemaking effort that is underway, and notice that we intend to hold input meetings with the states and tribes this fall. These letters are currently being prepared for mailing.
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> Please ensure your management and staff are aware that these letters are going out as they may receive inquiries about the letter or the rulemaking. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact myself or Michael McDavit about this effort. If you have specific questions about the 404(g) update rule making effort, please contact Kathy Hurld (hurld.kathy@epa.gov) or Ruth Chemreys (chemreys.ruth@epa.gov) who are co-leading the regulatory workgroup.
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> Thank you,
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> Mindy
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> Attachments:
> 1) Letter to Governor Ivey of Alabama. This is attached as an example of the letter sent to each governor with the exception of MI and NJ - their letter need to be tailored to reflect their administration of CWA 404(g).
> 2) Letter to Tribal Leaders
> 3) Letter to Governor's Snyder and Murphy of MI and NJ respectively
> 4) The attachment outlining the basics of the process and requirements to assume the program.

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