Message

From: Larsen, Aaron L. [allarsen@nd.gov]
Sent: 5/11/2021 6:38:29 PM
To: Wirick, Holiday [wirick.holiday@epa.gov]
CC: Wert, Joshua E. [jewert@nd.gov]; Wax, Peter N. [pwax@nd.gov]
Subject: RE: Check-in call

Hi Holly,

Thanks for the message. I'm ok with simply 'winging-it' and diving into their comments. Honestly, I won't get a chance to review most of the comments until tomorrow morning anyways (which won't leave much time to put an agenda together).

Thanks – talk to you tomorrow.

Aaron

From: Wirick, Holiday <wirick.holiday@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 1:30 PM
To: Wax, Peter N. <pwax@nd.gov>
Cc: Larsen, Aaron L. <allarsen@nd.gov>; Wert, Joshua E. <jewert@nd.gov>
Subject: Re: Check-in call

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Thanks Pete.

Aaron and Joshua, if you have any specific items you want to cover on the call tomorrow, please let me know and I will create an agenda and send it out before the call.

Otherwise, as I mentioned to Pete, after looking at Joe's and Karen's extensive comments on the QAPP, I presume we will just dive into any clarification questions you guys have about the comments and address the issues Karen wants to discuss.

Thanks,

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From: Wax, Peter N. <pwax@nd.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 10:24 AM
To: Wirick, Holiday <wirick.holiday@epa.gov>
Cc: Aaron Larsen <allarsen@nd.gov>; Wert, Joshua E. <jewert@nd.gov>
Subject: RE: Check-in call

Dear Holly:

Yes - I believe you are correct.

Note: The call with be just with Aaron and Josh as I have a conflict. They can handle it.

Pete

From: Wirick, Holiday <wirick.holiday@epa.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 10:10 AM
To: Wax, Peter N. <pwax@nd.gov>
Subject: Re: Check-in call

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Yes - love that Ram Jam tune - great name!

Regarding the call tomorrow afternoon, after looking at Joe's and Karen's pretty extensive comments on the QAPP, I presume we will just dive into any clarification questions Joshua has about the comments and address the issues Karen wants to discuss.

If you, Aaron or Joshua have any specific items you want to cover on the call, let me know and I will create an agenda to send out before the call. Or we can just wing it!

Thanks,
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From: Wax, Peter N. <pwax@nd.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2021 7:19 AM
To: Wirick, Holiday <wirick.holiday@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Check-in call

Dear Holly:

Mine is pretty simple. Not a lot of changes but the Ammonia Update has some umph to it.

Pete

They actually call her Betty but I figured you would get that she had a child “bam-a-lam”

From: Wirick, Holiday <wirick.holiday@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 1:23 PM

To: Wax, Peter N. <pwax@nd.gov>
Subject: Re: Check-in call

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Great news Pete on all fronts! I'm honestly glad there's a gap between SD's and ND's WQS submittals... Got SD's on 4/27.

Yes I'm betting on the pup with the cow colors - with that adorable name I'm guessing it's based on lyrics from the old song made famous by the band Ram Jam!

From: Wax, Peter N. <pwax@nd.gov>
Sent: Monday, May 10, 2021 12:16 PM
To: Wirick, Holiday <wirick.holiday@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Check-in call

Dear Holly:

Yes to both questions.

The AG went through with flying colors. I got a great gal and she corrected the spelling or overy to ovary and fix the concentrations from to be exactly as the EPA 11.3 mg/kg dw.

The Last step will be to pass the Legislative Rules Committee. I do not expect any serious issues as we have done an very good job of addressing the concerns of the citizens which is their biggest concern as well. My hope is Tonya can take a look at them once submitted electronically (I know it takes a while for everything) but if you & she does not see any major hang-ups I would like to go right back out for public comment and add the cyanotoxins and put Alin as a option for site specific criteria.

I am getting a puppy. Her baby name is Bam-a-lam – can you ques which puppy she is?

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Hi Pete. No need to call. I'm triaging, too. I just have 2 quick questions and a comment:

1. Did you get the AG cert for the WQS?
2. Did you/do you intend to submit the WQS electronically (per my email of 4/29)

Good comments from Joe and Karen on the QAPP. I did not invite Jessica Johnson to the 5/12 QAPP call, but if you'd like me to include her to be a part of the discussion with EPA's selenium leads (as an FYI for her), please let me know.

Thanks! Have a great day and breathe.... no stress...

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From: Wax, Peter N. <pwax@nd.gov>
Sent: Friday, May 7, 2021 12:23 PM
To: Wirick, Holiday <wirick.holiday@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Check-in call

Dear Holly:

Sorry for not getting back but I am beat. I thought today was Thursday. Nothing really pressing just wanted to talk about general stuff – Se, STDs (not Freudian), and the next public notice (Hopefully in July) to add algae toxins and Al as a site specific alternative.

There are 16 new drain permits to review that I have not even opened yet (I am looking at the links right but don't dare open them – so I am writing you. I did shut one down this spring. Likely to get challenged. I like a little excitement once in a while.

Call you next week.

Sincerely,

Pete

PS I put the finishing touches on the State's Nutrient Reduction Strategy. It just needs to go the editor now.

From: Wirick, Holiday <wirick.holiday@epa.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 6, 2021 10:05 AM
To: Wax, Peter N. <pwax@nd.gov>
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Hi Pete, please call anytime except between 1:00 - 2:30 MT.

From: Wax, Peter N. <pwax@nd.gov>
Sent: Thursday, May 6, 2021 7:48 AM
To: Wirick, Holiday <wirick.holiday@epa.gov>
Subject: RE: Check-in call

We had a powerouttage yesterday we are live now. Is there a good time to call. I am tied up for the next couple hours.

From: Wirick, Holiday <wirick.holiday@epa.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, May 5, 2021 12:47 PM
To: Wax, Peter N. <pwax@nd.gov>
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Hi Pete, I hope you had a great trip!

I just heard your voicemail message and left one on your office line. Yes, please call me whenever you have a chance.

Thanks,
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