Message

From: Chu, Rebecca [Chu.Rebecca@epa.gov]
Sent: 8/17/2020 4:32:01 PM
To: Baca, Andrew [Baca.Andrew@epa.gov]
CC: Opalski, Dan [Opalski.Dan@epa.gov]; Szelag, Matthew [Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Pebble letter update to leadership

Andrew and Dan:

Just had a discussion with Cindy as to why this is the recommendation from OFA. Anyone have a chance to talk?

From: Baca, Andrew <Baca.Andrew@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2020 9:29 AM
To: Chu, Rebecca <Chu.Rebecca@epa.gov>
Cc: Opalski, Dan <Opalski.Dan@epa.gov>; Szelag, Matthew <Szelag.Matthew@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: Pebble letter update to leadership

All - I'm reading this quickly but agree that we don't need to send another version. I assume that since Chris sent the letter directly to the principals that any and all feedback at this point should come through them. They (the principals) have time on the calendar to discuss tomorrow and then Chris can convey to R10 team what he wants addressed as we finalize the letter.

Sent from my iPhone

> On Aug 17, 2020, at 9:21 AM, Chu, Rebecca <Chu.Rebecca@epa.gov> wrote:
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> Dan/Andrew:
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> Thinking through how to address the recommendation that we send out a revised version of the Pebble letter to leadership ASAP given that Patty and Molly are out; and we don't want to confuse leadership, career leadership and the broader Team with a second revised version.
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> Please let me know if you have concerns with this counter-proposal to OFA. If there's a strong suggestion that we prepare edits- I'll see what we can do to try and address on the NEPA side since the core team is off today.
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> **From:** Chu, Rebecca
> **Sent:** Monday, August 17, 2020 9:17 AM
> **To:** Barger, Cindy <Barger.Cindy@epa.gov>
> **Cc:** Kaiser, Russell <Kaiser.Russell@epa.gov>; Rountree, Marthea <Rountree.Marthea@epa.gov>
> **Subject:** RE: Pebble letter update to leadership
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> As another option- would it be possible for OFA to send the proposed revisions to Brittany specifically noting that we've all discussed OFA's proposed edits regarding tone and will ensure that the tone edits are incorporated in the revisions post getting input from the senior leadership?

In talking with the R10 team- it was noted that multiple versions of the "final draft" doc being shared now might confuse the senior leadership, career leadership and staff involved in the project.

I can let the leadership in R10 (including the RA) know about this as an FYI.

From: Barger, Cindy <Barger.Cindy@epa.gov>
Sent: Monday, August 17, 2020 9:12 AM
To: Chu, Rebecca <Chu.Rebecca@epa.gov>
Cc: Kaiser, Russell <Kaiser.Russell@epa.gov>; Rountree, Marthea <Rountree.Marthea@epa.gov>
Subject: Pebble letter update to leadership
Importance: High

Hi Rebecca

Since it looks like we are both in meetings, here's recommendations from Rob (call me if needed) that would go well with leadership here. Russ – do you think you would be able to send back any staff level concurrence with my recommendations to go along with Rob's suggested approach?

1. Send up edits to Chris as soon as you can in redline with the following statement (be sure to delete my comment bubbles) "Here are additional recommended edits to the letter we worked with OFA to provide for more constructive language to provide recommendations to the Corps. In talking with OFA, we recommend that you send this to the Senior leadership immediately to work from tomorrow. OW staff have also seen these comments."
2. Chris' email can say something like "Attached is an updated version (in redline) that provides for more constructive language that our R10 and the OFA team worked on since Friday that we believe will be more effective in communicating recommendations to the Corps. I recommend that we work from this version in our discussion."

We believe that this will help to show sensitivity of trying to make sure we are providing useful recommendations to the Corps and the ongoing teamwork with R10 and HQ that will provide for effective discussions at the leadership level tomorrow.

Thanks!
Cindy

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