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I think the response looks good but the timing is tricky. Do we want to try and get the FR signed on the 18th so we don't have to dance around the question below?

We have a fact sheet on NGS and several short briefing papers that we could update. I could start on that while Anita finishes the FOIA. I haven't received a request from Sara Terry yet.

From: Saltman, Tamara
Sent: Wednesday, September 04, 2013 1:08 PM
To: McKaughan, Colleen; Lee, Anita
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hi Colleen and Anita,

Many months ago, Rep Whitfield sent us a letter about NGS (attached). We drafted a response but could not send it b/c the language was similar to language we were waiting to clear through OMB re: NGS from a budget hearing in the spring. That question cleared this week. Also, the Administrator is going up to the Hill on Sept 18th for a hearing in front of Rep. Whitfield's committee. All of which means that we now can and want to respond to his letter very soon.

Attached is the my latest draft of our response. Can you all take a look and let me know if you're OK with it or edits you suggest? I will also be running the attachment by DOI for the 3-agency meeting info. If you can get me your comments by early next week (or sooner if you want) that would be great so we can clear this out by the end of next week.

thanks,
Tamara

Also – there's going to need to be a fact sheet/briefing one-pager on NGS for that hearing too. I don't know if Sara Terry has already asked for one through the visibility folks in OAQPS, but keep an ear out. In particular we'll need to think about what we want the Administrator to say if asked re: the TWG agreement and the timing of the supplemental (she can't just say it's in process if Jared is signing it the next day).