

notes from conf call re: ACAT and next steps

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All - here are the notes from our conference call we had on Wed June 23rd regarding the next steps regarding ACAT's concerns about St. Lawrence Island.

Let me know if I missed anything or misunderstood what we discussed. Note at the end, I added a question as to when to offer this facilitated meeting....before or after Matt's completes his evaluation.

. Give me a call so we can discuss our next steps and this conf call (Matt - (b) (6) we had. You missed a lot since (b) (6)

- Sylvia 206-553-1078



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Notes from conf call with Running Grass, Greg Kellogg, Cathy Villa, & Sylvia Kawabata on 6-23-2010

Subject: Draft Plan for Responding to ACAT's recent discussions w/ HQ regarding St. Lawrence Island

<u>Background:</u> ACAT still has issues with the COE's cleanup at St. Lawrence Island (NE Cape and Gambell). They recently visited with EPA HQ and discussed their concerns with the following EPA Offices: EJ and Superfund (see meeting notes)

I volunteered during the conf. call on June 18, 2010 to meet with Running Grass and determine our next steps. Hence the conf call on 6-23-2010 with the individuals listed on top of this memo.

<u>Major Issue</u>: How to respond to ACAT's concerns regarding contamination on St. Lawrence Island and the COE's cleanup actions. ACAT's expectation for level of cleanup could possibly be different from the COE's plans for cleanup.

<u>Short Answer:</u> Offer to hold a facilitated discussion with ACAT, EPA, COE and ADEC to allow ACAT to express their issues and discuss each issue individually to determine if:

- issue has been addressed, or
- issue still needs to be addressed and the COE is working on that, or
- issue will need not be addressed by COE so what are other avenues (i.e. state, EPA, tribal, etc.) are available to address ACAT's issue.

The goal of the meeting is to narrow down the issues that still need to be addressed.

Follow-up

- Use ADR services to facilitate a meeting (so that we interact accurately) with ACAT, EPA, COE and ADEC.
 - o Running Grass Check to see if ADR services are available and the costs (hopefully there is no costs)
- Discuss concept with COE and ADEC and see if they are willing to participate in this facilitated discussion to help us resolve our dilemma with ACAT.
 - o Sylvia Kawabata to contact ADEC and COE
- Assuming COE and ADEC are okay with concept, ask ACAT to see if they are willing to participate in this discussion
 - o Sylvia Kawabata to contact ACAT
 - o Sylvia prepare letter to ACAT responding to latest round of meetings with HQ and offer this facilitated discussion and also ask ACAT to provide us with any data they have.
- Check in with Dan and/or Lori to see if they are okay with our proposed plan of action need to soon
 - o Sylvia to set up meeting with Dan and Lori to do check in on approach, and communicate outcome to internal EPA group

- Internal EPA Group includes
 - Matt Wilkening
 - Joanne LaBaw
 - Running Grass
 - Greg Kellogg
 - Cathy Villa
 - EPA HQ Suzanne Wells, John Reeder, Charles Lee, + others
- Exchange info with AOO
 - o Sylvia to send Greg Kellogg and Cathy Villa info that Sylvia has including recent meeting (June 16th and 18th) notes between ACAT and EPA HQ
 - o Cathy Villa to send copies of ACAT's recent letters
 - o Cathy Villa to check on past ACAT grants (#R83-1043)
- Schedule meeting with ACAT, EPA, COE, and ADEC after Matt completes report
 - o Sylvia to schedule meeting
 - ???Do the meeting before or after Matt completes his evaluation?