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David,

Per our conversation last Friday please see the attached background documents:

- (1) draft 2-pager summarizing the Joint Regional Agreement (JRA) project currently underway between Idaho, Oregon, Washington and US EPA Region 10, and
- (2) a discussion draft of the Tier 1 authorities section of the JRA.

It is still unclear at this point what will be included in the authorities section of the JRA, but this discussion draft is meant focus thinking about what should be included and in what form. The states are interested in EPA Region 10's opinion. I also understand that the discussion may also need to include EPA HQ/OGC (perhaps Jim Curtin).

There is interest in having a discussion amongst the AG/DOJ/OGC attorneys on the authorities section in parallel with the JRA interagency workshops focused on the standards and protocols for water quality trading (Tier 2), as well as state-specific requirements (Tier 3). EPA can participate in some form. I have also left a voicemail for Kelly Gable in Region 3 to connect with her.

I'll be up in EPA's offices on March 18 as part of briefing of EPA and Ecology on water quality trading in the City of Medford, Oregon permit. Perhaps our paths will cross then.

Regards,

Joe

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