

EPA Region 6 Regional Tribal Operations Committee

Catoosa, Oklahoma

February 28, 2007

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Action Item Review

RTOC Meeting

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An updated version of the RTOC and NTOC representatives should be developed and sent to HQ and the Tribal Caucus

The documents were sent to HQ and the Tribal Caucus in November 2006

A breakdown of tribal objectives should be gleaned from the EPA Strategic Plan and disseminated to R6 Tribes

The document was sent electronically to R6 Tribal Directors on 12-4-06

Upon Senate confirmation, a meeting should be held between R6 Tribes and EPA General Counsel to discuss/consult regarding the SAFETEA Rider on Oklahoma Tribes and TAS

The OGC nominee is pending Senate confirmation

The CD sent to Congressman Istook relating to TAS should be copied and sent to R6 Tribes

CD copies were mailed to R6 Tribal directors on 2-2-07

The Office of Environmental Justice and Tribal Affairs (OEJTA) should place its organizational chart on the OEJTA website

The Chart was put on the website on 2-8-07

<http://www.epa.gov/region6/6dra/oejta/tribalaffairs/index.html>

Future RTOC meetings during the annual Summit should comprise an entire day

This will be implemented during the 2007 Summit/RTOC meeting

Future RTOC Agendas should include preferred environmental outcomes for each agenda item with a Tribal and an EPA lead

Environmental Outcomes and Co-leads are identified in the agenda

EPA R6 should review the grant/assistance agreement process in an effort to expedite the issuance of award letters

This issue will be addressed during the RTOC

The Tribal Caucus requests that one person from each division/media participate on RTOC agenda development conference calls

Beginning with the 2-20-07 planning call, all relevant program offices were represented

A workgroup should hold conference calls and gather comments from EPA and Tribal Governments on the draft Consultation Policy

ORC, OEJTA and OGC comments were incorporated into the draft version; they were sent to R6-EPA senior management and R6 tribes on 2-13-07 and are a topic on the RTOC agenda