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Hello Duncan:

I had to run earlier today, but here are my comments.

- the section on process could be consolidated to a statement such as “we have been working with WY since 2015 in developing the application....” Then I would move to present day.
- The section “publication of draft agreement should follow.”
- Fold MOA and PA discussion into the “What happens next section.”
- The “what is different” slide should explain what “accordance with Section 274o” means for environmental reviews and hearings. For participants who are used to NEPA and the hearing process, the agency should be clear on the differences with respect to Tribal participation. Even if you plan to state it verbally, it is nice to have it written in the slides.
- While the slide states that WY will follow State requirements for cultural resources, NRC should explicitly state that NHPA consultation requirements will not apply and Tribal consultation with NRC will end.
- I recall a request for confirmation, during the teleconference, that Tribes would be able to comment on applications and regulations. Again I think NRC should explicitly state that this is not NEPA or NHPA participation. When WY submits their information for the WY slide, I would suggest that it explain whether there will be a “Tribal process” or if Tribes will be permitted to participate in a public process. For Tribes who are used to having a government to government relationship, this distinction should be clear. This is especially important to make the point for Tribes whom we have invited who are not in WY. They should understand that if WY will have any sort of Tribal consultation process, that it will not apply to them.

I think you have mentioned that WY will only address concerns of Tribes in WY and thus, I assume the teleconference today was aimed at getting buy-in from the governments of the WY Tribes that the issues of concern to them were being addressed in the webinar.

Regardless of what happens in WY, NRC has to maintain relationships with all of the Tribes in the region for other regulatory work. In that regard, I think the presentation would have been better, if the presentation specifically acknowledged and addressed the questions posed by the Tribes in the phone calls that I made to all 28 nations.

I will not be able to participate during the teleconference as I have a meeting on the 26th. I will view the recording.

Thanks,
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