

Issues  
Regional Tribal Operations Committee Meeting  
April 29-May 1, 2014  
Santa Rosa, CA

	Requested By:	Task	Who	When	Status
1	Arizona Tribes	Request that EPA R9 TPO GAP Project Officers come into alignment with one consistent unified plan on how to implement the GAP guidance/GAP Guidebook in order to have consistency and consensus among all tribal programs. Tribes request EPA R9 TPO hold trainings in AZ on the GAP Guidance/GAP guidebook. Tribes also request more independence and flexibility on the type of activities that could be included in their GAP work plans.			
2	Arizona Tribes	Request that training be provided to EPA R9 Project Officers on how to properly and effectively work with Tribal Communities. The workgroup recommends that the training be			

		instructed by an approved Tribal representative with sufficient knowledge of the uniqueness of tribal governments, governmental structures, cultures, socioeconomic challenges, barriers, etc. It is also recommended that it not be a one-time training but repeated training every two to three years for project officers.			
3	Arizona Tribes	Request technical training on the use of the new Grants.gov website, in addition to any new sets of requirements or criteria for submitting grants through this website.			
4.		Follow Up and identify tribal allocation FIFRA/Pesticides & see if we can get additional funding	Jeff	1 month (June 1, 2014)	
5		Identify possible related FIFRA/Pesticides sessions actions for RTOC & let Corn & Mariela know.	All	Ongoing	
6		Discuss opportunities to include capacity building (eg pesticides etc.) in R9	Amy Nina	1 month (June 1, 2014)	

		training plans (for insp etc)			
7		<p>Tribes (eg Tribal Leaders) (who want to) can request consultation about GAP Guidance. Cc Joann Chase AIEO, R9 RA, RP TPO to Deputy Admin.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Develop Template Letter conf. call to discuss</li> <li>b. Send info to workgroup</li> <li>c. Send letter from Karuk to Corn (could be used as basis for template)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Corn (GAP Guidance Workgroup) &amp; Nina</b></p> <p>Carlotta</p>	<p>As needed</p> <p>5/16/14 2 weeks</p> <p>5/9/14</p>	
8		Work with Herb Schultz I.H.S. RA to discuss issue, get status & identify possible next steps.	Jared	Update at next RTOC	
9		Comments on the proposed rule for U.S. waters.	All	July 21	
10.		Followup call on CA drought issues raised	Gita (Sarah Ryan)	2 weeks 5/16/ 14	
11.		If you are interested in getting infor on specific funding from BIA email: <a href="mailto:Charles.jachens@bia.gov">Charles.jachens@bia.gov</a>	All	As desired	
12.		Distribute a copy of the national EPA working with tribes training	Laura Ebbert	2 weeks 5/16/14	
13.		Explore with Grants office	Laura Ebbert	5/9/14	

		what is process (& exemptions) requesting waivers from using grants.gov			
14.		Send infor on how tribes can obtain 100% recyclable paper from GSA.	<b>Zoe Heller</b>	5/16/ 14	
15.		Will follow up to questions/ issues from Buena Vista.	<b>Stephanie V.</b>	5/9/14	