

Draft State/Tribal Opt-In Subcommittee Meeting Summary
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In preparation for the June 10th meeting we should develop a proposal for the inclusion of states and tribes.

States:

Should we be focusing on states with large federal production or should we just be looking at large levels of state production? A basis for which states we should be prioritizing are the list of top states that produce by commodity that Keith Romig had previously provided to the MSG. We should take a look at non-energy minerals in states that don't have large energy extractions to ensure that potentially large amounts of money aren't excluded. We may be able to benefit from already available analysis (Commerce Department). IMCC may also already have beneficial data.

Tribal:

Could we get a list of tribes and the amount of money disbursed to them? ONRR couldn't do that for proprietary reason however we may be able to release the list of tribes. Greg suggested that someone from ONRR's state and tribal group could give a presentation to the subcommittee on the tribal process.

It was suggested putting the list of energy/minerals tribes alongside the existing State information in a discussion matrix; this will allow us to focus our efforts on specific states with the most potential.

The Navajo Energy board may be interested in a presentation on EITI, Greg mentioned that the Tribal leadership is watching the EITI process but currently isn't interested.

What types of Questions Do we want to ask the states?

- What info is publicly available? (Federal distribution, severance taxes, additional taxes)
- What is your interest in participating further?
- Who pays into the savings funds and what are the purposes of the fund?
- Who are the POC for publicly available information for specific commodities?

Greg Conrad mentioned that about a month ago these types of questions were asked to the states and five states responded.

- ONRR will send out the list of question to our State auditing partners (STRAC) and perhaps we would get a better response.

States are skeptical of additional workload and it was suggested that the best approach could be that after the first report on publicly available information perhaps then we will be able to engage states more effectively. Or we could come to them with the publicly available information that we find and ask them for what we are missing as a way to more effectively engage states.

Next week we need to come up with a list of states that we want to target since the next MSG meeting is three weeks away.

TASKS:

Chris Mentasti- Will provide severance tax data by state from commerce

Greg Gould- List of Tribes

Greg Conrad- Send state questions to Greg Gould

Greg Gould- Send Questions to STRAC members

Mia Steinle- Research USGS and EIA to help identify states to prioritize

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