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Subject: Ryan, here's a 1-minute update on industry discussions re: Uintah and Ouray Reservation permitting issues...

Industry met with EPA Region 8 representatives last week. Here are three key takeaways:

- EPA started the meeting very steadfast in promoting the previously retracted existing source rule. That position softened over the course of our discussions. In place of the prior rule drafted by EPA, Newfield Exploration advocated that EPA publish an advanced notice of proposed rulemaking to start a more transparent process for the development of a reservation-specific permit rule that would also address existing source controls. By the conclusion of the meeting R8 agreed to start the process with an ANOPR.
- Industry agreed to work hand in hand with EPA to update the emission inventory for the Uintah and Ouray Reservation and document the emission reductions that have occurred since 2014. This inventory would be the baseline for the analysis of potential existing source controls for inclusion in the reservation specific permit rule.
- Carl Daly, Director of Air Programs for R8, was helpful in finding compromise and appeared to be influential in guiding R8 leadership towards a solution.

We will keep you up to speed and will reach out if we believe a face-to-face meeting with you and/or other key EPA-DC or EOP personnel is appropriate. Several operators and the Ute Tribe remain interested in resolving this issue in a manner consistent with Administration priorities.

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