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Hi Nick - As you probably know, the Senate just released its FY2018 Interior Appropriations bill and report<<https://www.appropriations.senate.gov/imo/media/doc/FY2018-INT-CHAIRMEN-MARK-EXPLANATORY-STM.PDF>>, which includes language (below) encouraging Administrator Pruitt's efforts to improve Superfund implementation. We discussed the need for the "additional improvements" in our meeting last week. Please let us know if you have any questions.

Happy Thanksgiving,
The H&K Team

Report Language

"Sediment Guidance.-When implementing the recommendations of the Superfund Task Force, the Agency should consider additional improvements that will address an inconsistent application of sediment guidance among regions. At sites expected to exceed \$50,000,000, the Committee encourages the Agency to include the Contaminated Sediment Technical Advisory Committee [CSTAG] and the National Remedy Review Board [NRRB] throughout the process and to ensure that their technical review and remedy recommendations are included in the final remedy. Additionally, the Committee encourages the Agency to set achievable cleanup goals, broaden the use of adaptive management and early actions, explore the utility of public-private partnerships, expand stakeholder participation, and promote cost-effectiveness, redevelopment, and sustainability in the Superfund process.

Superfund Task Force.-The Committee is encouraged by the Agency's efforts to improve the implementation of the Superfund program, including the creation of a Superfund Task Force, which released 42 recommendations that aim to foster a more data-driven, safe and timely cleanup process at sediment sites. The Committee urges the Agency to expeditiously implement these recommendations, and integrate them into remedies for sites currently undergoing investigation or where remedies have been selected in the last 5 years."

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