



EPA R5 SEMD Tribal Update

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Regional Tribal Office Updates

- Renamed “**Tribal and Multi-Media Programs Office**” instead of Tribal and International Affairs Office
 - Director – Alan Walts

- New Tribal Liaison covering Wisconsin – Paul Winters
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- Michigan coverage – Jenny Manville
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- Minnesota coverage – Darrel Harmon
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SEMD Tribal Staff Updates

➤ SEMD Coordinator Change – Ashley Fisseha

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➤ Role

- Coordination
 - Review ERs for potential impacts to Tribal lands, Tribal members, ceded territories, or other various means that potentially impact Tribes. Notify tribe(s)/OSC of potential impact.
- Consultation
- TEK & TCK
- Review EPA-Tribal Environmental Plans (ETEPs), PPGs
- Project Officer – manage SEMD grants for Tribes
- Events Coordination and Planning – TEPM, RTOC, etc.
- Remedial Program

Ongoing Projects – Inventory for OEM

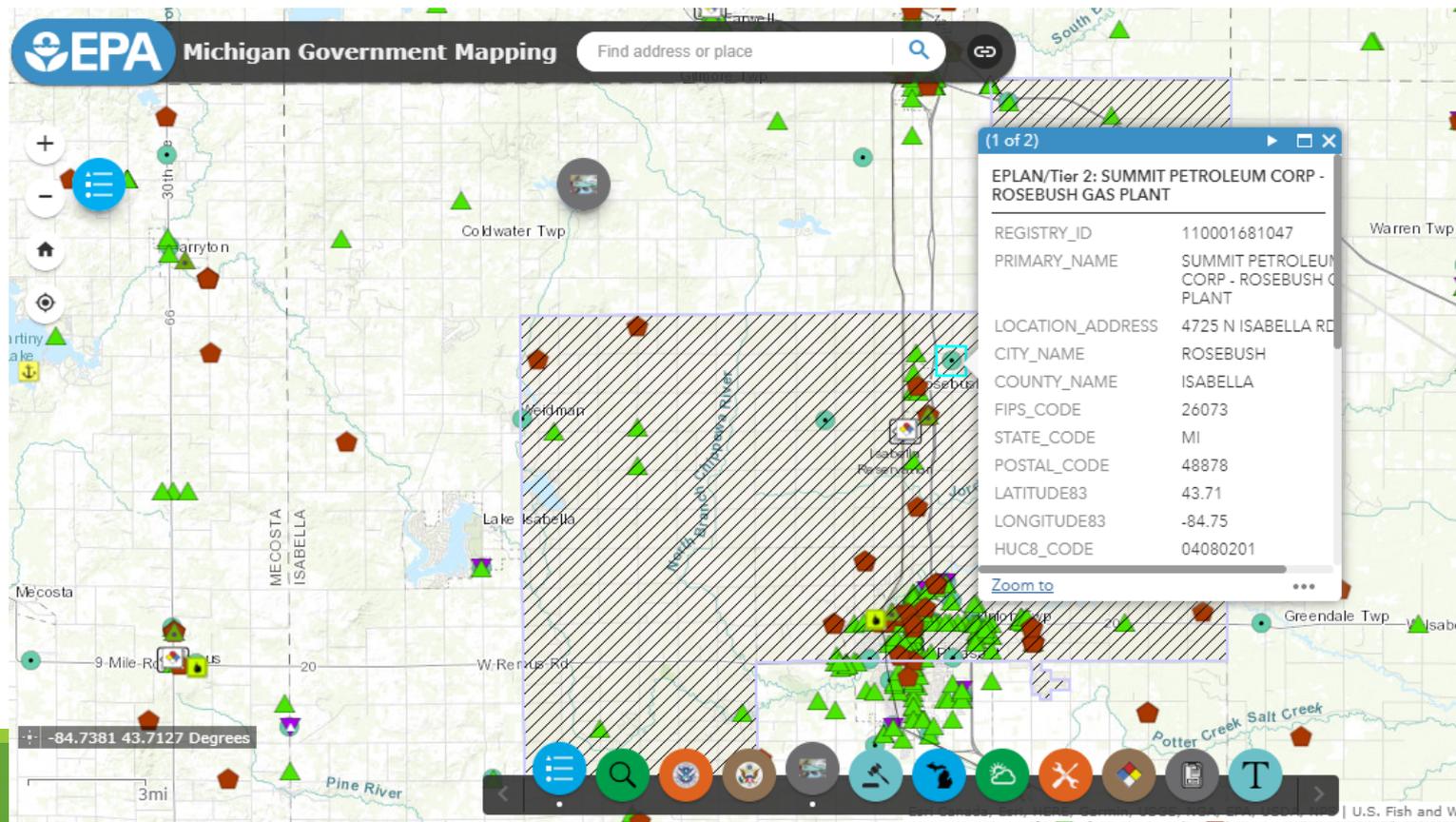
- The Tribal Waste and Response Steering Committee (TWAR SC) is a Federal U.S. EPA Tribal Partnership Group comprised of subject matter experts from federally recognized Tribes and Alaskan Native Villages from various US EPA regions. This committee produces a priority document for OLEM every year. Its intention is to communicate the needs of Tribes, influence policy, and determine useful actions for the protection of health, culture, and natural resources in respect to OLEM-related issues.
- TWAR SC requested of Office of Emergency Management:
 1. By 2021, complete an inventory of Tribes with an emergency management infrastructure in place. This should be a first step toward identifying resources necessary to more efficiently assist Tribal programs in developing their own capacity.
 2. By 2022, create a listserv for Tribal professionals specific to the activities of the Office of Emergency Management.

➤ RRT has been collecting 2 page fact sheets

Fact Sheet: Lac Vieux Desert Band of Lake Superior Indians Gogebic County, Michigan	
<p>Michigan State Police, Emergency Management and Homeland Security Division (24-hour emergency notification): (800) 292-4706</p> <p>Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Division of Environmental Health: (800) 648-6942</p> <p>For public health emergencies, contact the Gogebic County Health Department: (906) 667-0200</p> <p>Michigan Pollution Emergency Alert System [PEAS] Hotline (24 Hour): (800) 292-4706</p> <p>Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy Environmental Assistance Center (non-emergency): (800) 662-9278</p> <p>EPA Planning OSC: Kristina Miller Office: (312) 353-1057 Cell: (312)237-5685 E-Mail: miller.kristina@epa.gov</p>	<p>CONTACTS</p> <p>Emergency: 911 / (906) 358-4313</p> <p>Primary Tribal POC: Beth Schrader, Environmental Officer, (906) 358-4577, beth.schrader@lvdtribal.com Tribal Environmental Response Coordinator: James Williams Jr. (906) 358-4577 LEPC Chair: James Loeper 906-667-1118</p> <p>Tribal Chair: James Williams, Jr. (906) 358-4577 Tribal Manager: James Williams Jr. Tribal Police: (906) 358-4313 Tribal Health Clinic: (906) 358-4587</p> <p>https://www.lvdtribal.com</p> <p>Watersmeet Township Police: (906) 358-2048 Watersmeet Township Central Dispatch: (906) 875-6669 (non-emergency) Watersmeet Township Volunteer Fire Department: (906) 358-4623 (non-emergency)</p> <p>RESERVATION DESCRIPTION</p> <p>County FIPS Codes: MI.26.053 (Gogebic) [Reservation Map]</p> <p>Land Area: 2.31 miles Estimated Population: Not identified</p> <p>Major Industries: Gaming, Tourism, Government Major Rail Lines: None Major Roadways: U.S. Route 2, U.S. Route 45 Major Towns: Watersmeet Major Water Bodies: Lake Superior Ports: None identified</p> <p>HOSPITALS WITH TRAUMA CENTERS</p> <p>Marquette General Hospital 580 W College Ave, Marquette MI 49855 (906) 228-9440 Level 2 St. Mary's Medical Center 420 E 1st St. Duluth, MN 55804 (218) 786-3625 Level 2</p>

Ongoing Projects - Mapping

- Jon Gulch & Tricia Edwards presented at TEPM and workshops
- To host mapping workshops with Tribes to share and QA/QC data



Ongoing Support

- Technical Assistance with non-hazardous spills
 - R5 OSCs on call. Can answer questions and advise as needed.
 - Recent example: Fond du Lac coal train derailment
 - David Morrison to present

Ongoing Support

- Division Director noted that during Region 5 Tribal Operations Committee Meeting, Tribes requested assistance with planning including but not limited to:
 - Emergency Operations Plan
 - Hazard Mitigation Plan
 - Disaster Debris Management Plan
 - Get integrated into area planning

Ongoing Projects - Training

- Oil & Hazardous Material Spill Response Workshop

- Tabletop Exercises

- Hands on Exercise
 - Hannahville Indian Community, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa & Chippewa, Lac Vieux Desert Band of Chippewa, Inter-Tribal Council of Michigan

- National and local webinars

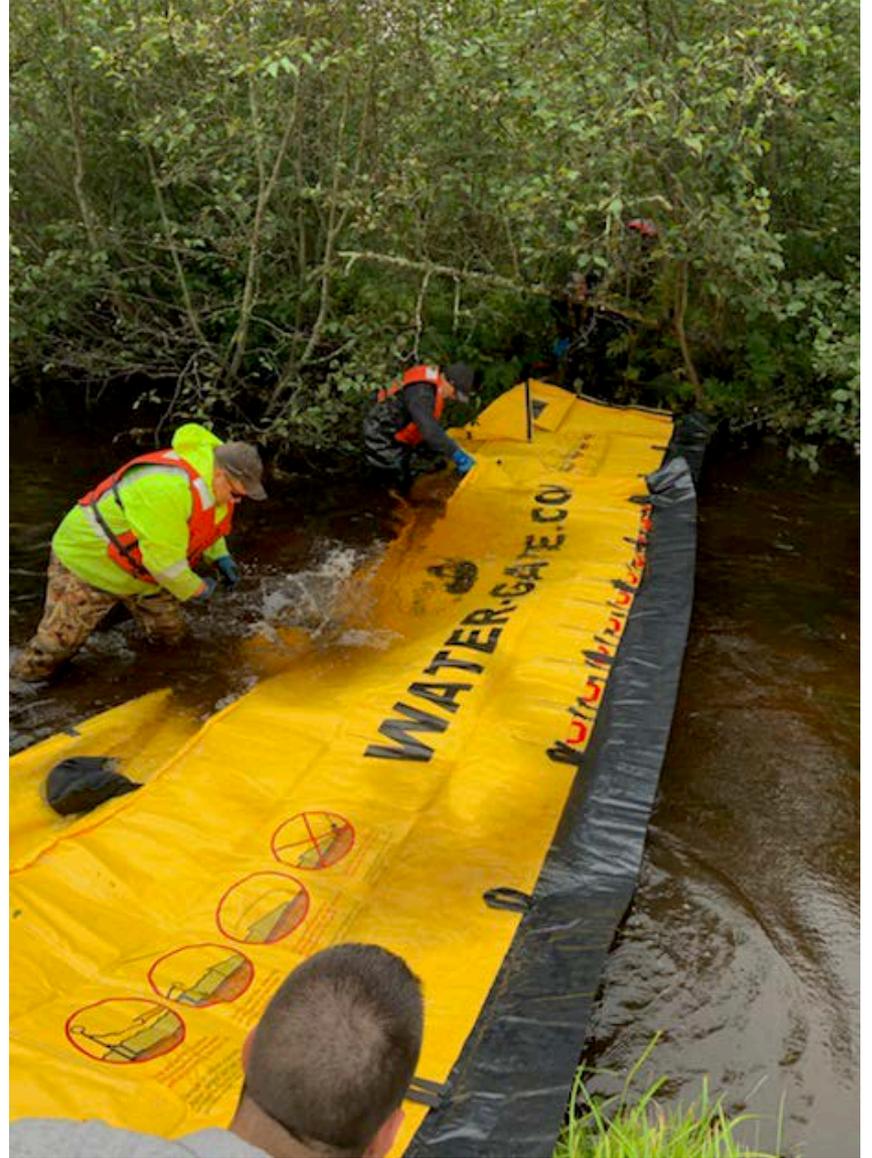














DISCUSSION

TRAINING NEEDS

Tribes have expressed a need for training, including 40 Hour HAZWOPER or 8 hour HAZWOPER refreshers, and other but have a number of concerns about travel and costs. One Tribe successfully hosted a joint-40 hour HAZWOPER training with a local university, but other tribes have expressed that this format was still not feasible.

Any creative or collaborative solutions?

Thank You