
From: Muchmore, Dennis (GOV)
Sent: Friday, September 25, 2015 10:29 AM
To: Snyder, [PPI] Calley, [PPI]
Cc: Scott, Allison (GOV); Agen, Jarrod (GOV)
Subject: Flint water

The issue of Flint water and its quality continues to be a challenging topic. The switch over to use Flint river water has spurred most of the controversy and contention. The DEQ and DCH feel that some in Flint are taking the very sensitive issue of children's exposure to lead and trying to turn it into a political football claiming the departments are underestimating the impacts on the populations and particularly trying to shift responsibility to the state.

We have put an incredible amount of time and effort into this issue because of the impacted neighbors and their children, and the KWA/DWSD controversy and Dillon's involvement in the final decision. Kildee is asking for a call with you. That's tricky because he's sure to use it publicly, but if you don't talk with him it will just fan the narrative that the state is ducking responsibility. I can't figure out why the state is responsible except that Dillon did make the ultimate decision so we're not able to avoid the subject.

The real responsibility rests with the County, city and KWA, but since the issue here is the health of citizens and their children we're taking a pro-active approach putting DHHS out there as an educator.

I'm not sure how much background you need on all this so I don't want to flood you with stuff. Jarrod and Dave have a lot of info that we can supplement your understanding and we can put a briefing or face to face with Wyant and Lyon if you want to go there.

Sent from my iPhone