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Sent: Monday, February 02, 2015 2:50 PM
To: Murray, David (GOV)
Subject: RE: Flint event on Tuesday

Strategy suggests moving forward.

One nit on the press release announcing all of the grants – the highlighted of should be if:

Municipalities are eligible for the grants if they are experiencing one or more conditions indicative of “probable financial stress,” as defined by Public Act 436 of 2012, the Local Financial Stability and Choice Act.

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Good afternoon team,

Just wanted to touch base on Tuesday’s event in Flint. Unless told otherwise, I’m continuing to prepare for the event.

I touched base with Harvey and Stacie, who recommended we proceed. Harvey is approaching some stakeholders about appearing at the event, and will forward those names to me later today.

I left a message with Dick Posthumus to see if he has any concerns about proceeding.

The Senate Democrats said Sen. Ananich will want to appear. Katie Carey from the House said she would forward information to Rep. Neeley and Phelps. I have not heard back from her yet.

I’ve attached the backgrounder and the draft releases from Governor’s Communications and Treasury. I’ve sent a message to the mayor’s office about a quote, but have not heard back yet.

Brad and I spoke about Director Wyant’s role and potential comments. He will point out that there are things the state can do to help monitor the situation, but also will note that the city’s water infrastructure is aging, which contributes to the problems.

We need some direction on an advisory. Should this be listed on a typical advisory from the governor’s office, or come from Treasury? Do we even issue an advisory in favor of just contacting media directly in the morning?

Please give the draft releases a read for potential changes, or let me know of other concerns.

Thank you!

Dave

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