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Subject: Busch Schedule 8/26 - 8/30

My schedule for this week is as follows:

M 8/26 Lansing (meetings)
T 8/27 Lansing (Flint)
W 8/28 Jackson
Th 8/29 Jackson
F 8/30 Lansing

This weekend is Labor Day weekend so I'm sure we'll get a notice to submit time sheets early.

Reminder that Wednesday evening is the Lansing District Picnic.

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Subject: DS Stuff

Here is the latest updates I have for everyone.

- RMG Central staff will have new phone numbers soon for their move into their permanent space on 4S in con hall. Fax numbers will change too. Lansing district will have new numbers when we move to 1S in October. (We will probably hold off until the final fax numbers are in to order Lansing District business cards).
- Cell phones for district staff – Due to the phone changeout in Con Hall Lansing District Engineers (Mike, Bethel, and Mark) have agreed and been assigned iPhones instead of replacement desk phones, based on their time spent in the field. These staff will be the pilot case to see if there is enough benefits to outweigh the additional cost.
- Brad Wurfel Media Training. ODWMA may schedule some dates to go through media training with Brad. If you haven't done this before (or recently) it is a good training for dealing with both newspaper and TV reporters.
- ODWMA Training School – Liane is considering a training for recent employees similar to the AQD Tuesday school. It's a combo QOL/DEQ/Division orientation program.
- Highland Park – There are ongoing discussions to have DWSD takeover Highland Park.
- DWSD Authority - There are multiple proposals currently under review to convert DWSD into a separate Authority.
- DWSD Bankruptcy – Impacts unknown at this point but DWSD owes \$470+ million in SRF (sewer) loans and \$21 million DWRF (water) loans. DWSD has paid 2013 annual fee, 2014 fee will be mailed at end of this year.
- ODWMA Inservice Training – RAM Center 8/4 and 8/5 2014. (2/3 wanted July date, but this ended up the closest available) Probably run 10:00 Monday – 3:00 Tuesday. Can stay at RAM or State Campground. The committee is set but hasn't met yet. Please contribute ideas for the training.
- Development Opportunity – Enforcement is looking for senior staff to be Chair/Moderator for various hearings. These would be for other division programs that you don't work in (to be impartial you can't mediate your own program). It would include some writeup work for each hearing you participate in. Let me know if you want to be included in the list. Contact Sue Maul if you want more info.
- Paul Sisson discussed the recent incident in Traverse City with a splash pad contaminated with sewage. Based on the information available at the time of the review the correct decisions were made, there was no political pressure to issue the permit, we were trying to provide good customer service. Director Wyant met with Paul and Liane and had a good discussion about the review process. Liane wants everyone to know that you should never feel pressured to compromise a review. Telling someone that a project is not currently approvable is perfectly ok when answering inquiries from the legislature and front office.