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**To:** [Michael Weiss - NOAA Federal](#)  
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On item 1, I misunderstood and got only the Governors - States of California, Oregon and Washington, Hawaii, the 3 Pacific territories, Massachusetts and Maine for coastal areas. They all received the same letters as the ones sent to Members of Congress, of which you have a copy, to the point of mistakenly including "Please direct your letters to my congressional affairs staff..." although the actual name and office was Intergovernmental Affairs. I don't expect we will get comments from Maine on anything other than their own. I will get the Congressional names tomorrow. Will also check on BIA and who is the best contact there.

We can provide copies of the public comments on marine monuments on something called an rtf file; I've never heard of this previously but am advised most computers can use it. It would probably be easiest on both sides to wait until the comment period is closed and all comment reviewed and coded. As I noted in the comment portion of last week's meeting, the comments remain almost exclusively expressions of opinion. The coding team coded only 22 comments of the nearly 8,000 non-form-letter comments in the last round as having new information, and I will review that later this afternoon. I suspect the actual number is lower. Other issues for the call.

On Mon, Jun 19, 2017 at 2:10 PM, Michael Weiss - NOAA Federal

<[michael.weiss@noaa.gov](mailto:michael.weiss@noaa.gov)> wrote:

Afternoon Randy.

Thanks again for the reports.

Also, thank you for pulling together last week's discussion re: our collaboration on Executive Order 13792. Based on my notes from our meeting on Thursday, I wanted to make sure we didn't miss a few outstanding priority questions we hope DOI can answer for us in the next week. Some you already are pursuing

1. List of outreach contacts (i.e., governors, Congressional, and tribal) DOI has conducted to date pursuant to Executive Order 13792
2. A point of contact at BIA so we can learn more about the email comment process they initiated to collect comments from tribal governments and organizations. Was this set up only for commenting on Bear's Ears or all monuments? If the latter, we would like to please talk to someone at BIA about viewing the comments they received on any marine monuments.
3. Regarding sharing relevant public comments with NOAA, how and when can we obtain access to the public comments? If possible, we would like to begin receiving comments relevant to marine monuments prior to the close of the public comment period once the coding is completed.

We also need to confirm what the final 13792 product(s) will be and how the recommendations on marine national monuments will be accomplished. We can discuss at our tag up tomorrow.

Lastly, we would appreciate being kept apprised of DOI deadlines for completing the review and report for Executive Order 13792 so we can align more on our side.

Thanks again,

Michael

On Fri, Jun 16, 2017 at 10:00 AM, Bowman, Randal <[randal\\_bowman@ios.doi.gov](mailto:randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov)> wrote:

After some unexpected delays, here is a review status report and the Bears Ears economic report.

The status report was previously called an interim report, but I have changed the name so it is not confused with the report the Secretary provided to the President. This document was used extensively in the Departmental press release on the report the Secretary did provide to the President.

The Bears Ears economic report, prepared by the Departmental economic staff, reflects considerable input from BLM and the Forest Service. Going forward, the economic staff will prepare similar reports on most of the monuments under review. The Forest Service economists will prepare the reports for two monuments -- Giant Sequoia and San Gabriel Mountains -- that are entirely managed by the Forest Service, and I understand from Wednesday that Ben Simon is in discussion with your economists with respect to the Marine National Monuments.

Getting the names of Governors we sent letters has been delayed for trivial reasons. Our head of Intergovernmental Affairs, who I thought had sent out the letters, was the Secretary in New England for part of the trip, was to have been back yesterday, but was delayed and missed his flight. When I talked to him this morning, he said the letters were sent out by our Executive Secretariat office, and he just approved the content. I ran into the head of Exe Sec while on my way there, and was told that the person I needed to talk to about the list was out ill, as was over half the rest of their staff. Bottom line, should be able to get that Monday

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