

BBNC-UTBB-BBDF-BBEDC Meeting with EPA Office of Water	
Topic:	EPA's CWA Section 404(c) review process for Pebble Deposit Area
Meeting date:	Wednesday, September 21, 2022
Who requested the meeting?:	Bristol Bay Native Corporation
Location:	Virtual Teams and EPA HQ Conference Room
List of outside individuals or organizations that attended (including affiliation):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jason Metrokin (President and CEO Bristol Bay Native Corporation (BBNC)) • Russell Nelson (Chair, BBNC) • Kim Williams (Board Director, BBNC) • Daniel Cheyette (VP Land, BBNC) • Peter Van Tuyn (Outside Counsel, BBNC) • Matt Gall (Vice President of Federal Relations, Strategies 360) • Delores Larson (Deputy Director, United Tribes of Bristol Bay (UTBB)) • Thomas Tilden (UTBB) • Karla Jensen (UTBB) • Matt Newman (Native American Rights Fund) • Garvin Federenko (President and Chief Executive Officer, Bristol Bay Native Association) • Robin Samuelsen (Chair, Bristol Bay Economic Development Corporation) • Dan Kanninen (Bristol Bay Defense Fund)
Did EPA decide which individuals or organizations would attend?:	No
List of EPA attendees:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Radhika Fox (OW) • Navis Bermudez (OW) • Elizabeth Skane (OW) • Brian Frazer (OW) • Melissa Hoffer (OGC) • Carrie Wehling (OGC) • Dan Opalski (R10, WD)
Was there an agenda:	No
Did EPA/outside individuals or organizations set the agenda?	N/A
Did EPA/outside individuals or organizations run the meeting?	Outside Organizations
Summary of topics discussed (including individual advice/feedback provided to Agency):	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introductions • UTBB/NARF provided an overview of the comments they submitted on EPA Region 10's Proposed Determination. • BBNC requested that EPA's action provide effective protections for the resources and to be completed by the end of the calendar year. Concerned that traditional knowledge and science have been shunted out of the way in the face of politics. • BBEDC – shared that the Bristol Bay fishery is an incredible resource and worthy of protections. 66M sockeye return last year 80M this year (shared pic of boat) • Concerned that the 2020 Mine Plan is just a “starter” mine and that it would likely be expanded. • Expressed concerns that the 2020 Mine Plan is a threat to their environment, water, and subsistence resources, and would therefore greatly impact the people and salmon.

- The Bristol Bay fishery is not just a resource for Alaska, but is a global resource dependent on clean water.
- Recommend looking at Jason Ching videos—salmon landscapes.
- Reiterated requests that EPA act quickly and ensure protection for these resources.
- EPA - Thanked everyone for sharing stories. Recognized the long history associated with this process. Committed to making decisions supported by science.

Were next steps/follow-up discussed? No

Were materials provided? Personal photos were circulated but not provided to EPA to keep.

**If yes, please indicate who provided the materials and attach materials with this form.*