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Hello from my Blackberry!
Enjoy the day!!

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Hi Erin --

After our call earlier I think it makes more sense for me to send this e-mail to you and let you decide how to share/proceed. I want to respect the chain here and realize I may have gotten pulled into the details too much.

I stopped by the Cuba District Friday to meet Cindy and discuss finances. We had a good visit and I was able to visit with a number of folks on the team. The items I noted:

Cindy is the lead for Finance (includes all procurement) for both LE and NFS. We discussed tracking costs and Cindy said she would ask folks for their time to date and build a spread sheet. We discussed combining procurement (Type 3 Team and Nat Team) and Cindy tracking all charges incurred to date. Essentially moving to the integrated org chart. I believe the list of purchases to date will need to be reviewed to separate LE and NFS purchases.

My interest is to track costs by job code (LE, NFRWRB and forest job codes). Cindy was going to gather time sheets and build a spreadsheet.

I hope that however Cindy is tracking costs for LE she could do the same for the RO and forest job codes. Integrating with their process is my interest.

The integrated org chart shows Cindy managing logistics and finance. Are you folks planning to move that direction? You may have already done this.

After talking with Cindy I have high confidence that she will do a good job tracking and manging

costs.

I don't see the need for the RO to do tracking, unless you or Cindy see the need. She and I did not discuss this; I'll follow -up with Joe in the morning to see if he has any need to track.

Again, after visiting with Cindy, I am comfortable with where things are at and don't won't to add another person in the mix. This cost piece has a lot of interest and I want to be sure we are all comfortable and on the same page early on; a call might be helpful with the Forest, IMTeam, RO budget and rec. Your thoughts? I'm OK either way. Let me know and I'll arrange.

In summary: The RO would like daily or regular updates on costs for the Rainbow Gathering. We would like salary, OT, travel and procurements tracked for the RO, forest and LE job codes.

Much thanks to you and others managing this event; the daily updates have been great. Laurie