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Cc: Holmes, Michael
Subject: Re: Article on NRI
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I am including the Governor's Communications Director in the chain.

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Hello everyone!

Agree with Barbara that it would be a very good proactive step to develop a common general response and distribute to the agencies with guidance for them to direct media to point person(s) for more details (Barbara and ????) ASAP. Need to get ahead of this before the press or others start contacting the individual lead agencies and/or their partners and get varying responses. Please keep me posted regarding any follow up in case I am contacted about the Project. Thanks.
P.S. Happy Turkey Day!!!

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See NRI article below. I realize that you might want to avoid the question altogether, but me know if I can help in any way in drawing up a response or position statement on this.

http://progressillinois.com/quick-hits/content/2010/11/23/meat-bones-neighborhood-recovery-initiative

Also, as I've mentioned to some of you already, I've received conflicting information on the documentation issue for the NRI jobs and hope that we can resolve this soon.

Happy Thanksgiving to all!

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