

Overview

- Commenced strategic planning initiative in September 2006; consultant: Joe Laur of SEED Systems, Inc.
- The engagement and interest in this process has been encouraging for all involved
- Over past nine months, in-person strategy sessions with full Commission, Board and staff; numerous opportunities for review/comment by Observers and other stakeholders
- Final plan released for comment March 22; comments reviewed in detail and given full consideration by Board
- Commission now asked to approve final draft of the strategic plan

Focus of the Plan

The five-year plan outlines the Commission's vision for the region and for the Commission itself; includes Guiding Principles for Commissioners, Board, staff

Four focus areas were identified for the Commission's work:

- Communications and Education
- Information Integration and Reporting
- Facilitation and Consensus Building
- Policy Coordination and Advocacy

Next Steps

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Communication & Education



- GLIN
 - Daily News
 - News Briefs
 - Job Postings
 - Data & Information Clearing House:
 - Monitoring
 - Great Lakes facts, Economy and the Environment

Great Lakes Basin Program For Soil Erosion and Sedimentation



- **GRANTS PROGRAM: SIXTEEN YEAR SUMMARY, 1991-2006**

<i>State</i>	<i>Number of Grants</i>	<i>Total Funding</i>
• Illinois	11	\$551,505
• Indiana	26	\$888,914
• Michigan	116	\$5,306,985
• Minnesota	38	\$966,510
• New York	76	\$2,255,937
• Ohio	51	\$1,786,224
• Pennsylvania	26	\$972,974
• Wisconsin	45	\$1,457,218
• TOTAL	389	\$14,186,267

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Measuring Success

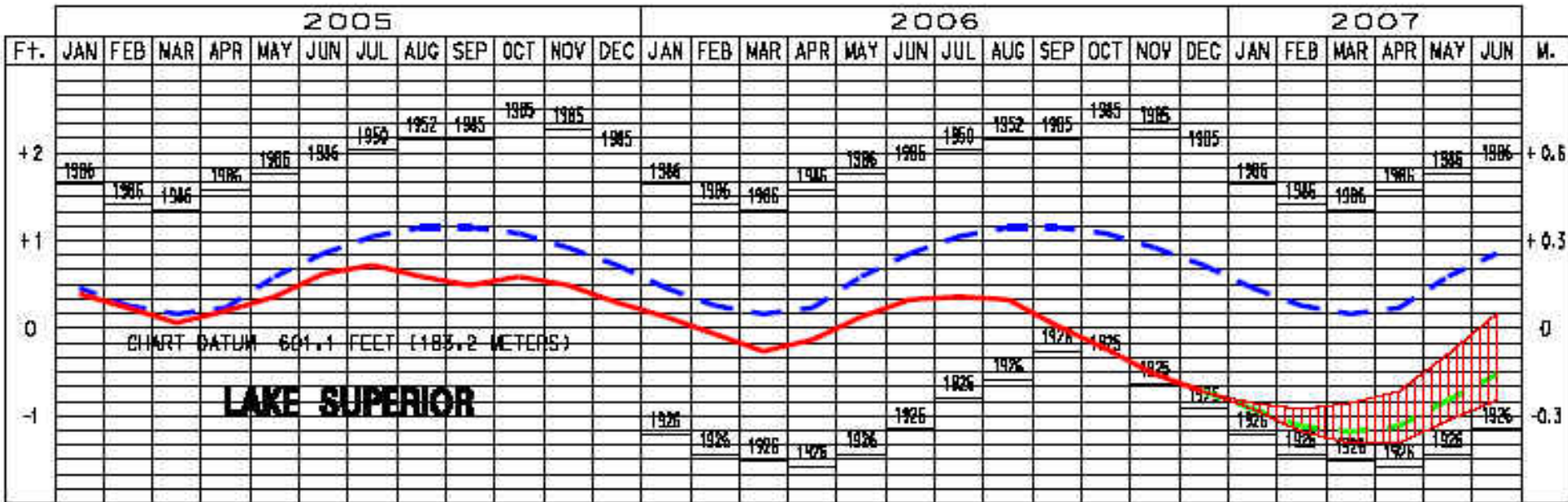
- Over 5 years (2001- 2005) the Basin Program funds of \$2.31 million leveraged an additional **\$3.07 million**, 4 x the 25% required
- **Tons of Soil Saved** over the life of the projects completed through 2005 - 1,087,000
- **Pounds of Phosphorus Saved** over the life of the projects completed through 2005 - 5,500,000
- **Pounds of Nitrogen Saved** over the life of the projects completed through 2005 - 1,700,000

Information Integration & Reporting

- GLINDA
- GLOS
 - Observing System
- GLAD
 - Air Deposition
- CAROL
 - Air reporting

Information Integration & Reporting

LAKE SUPERIOR WATER LEVELS - JANUARY 2007



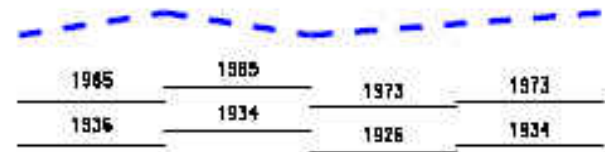
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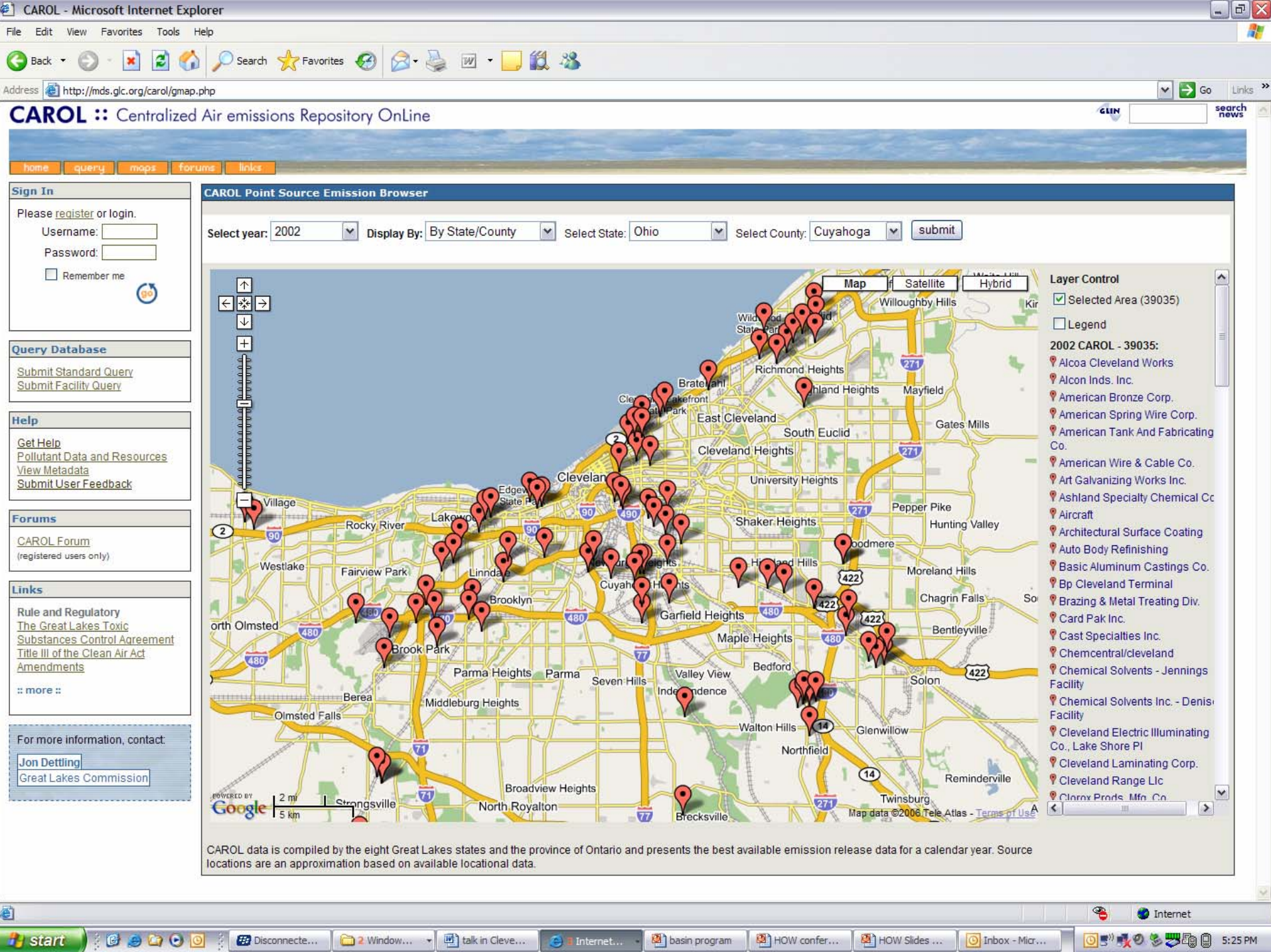
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AVERAGE
MAXIMUM
MINIMUM



■ Average, Maximum and Minimum for period 1918-2005



CAROL :: Centralized Air emissions Repository OnLine

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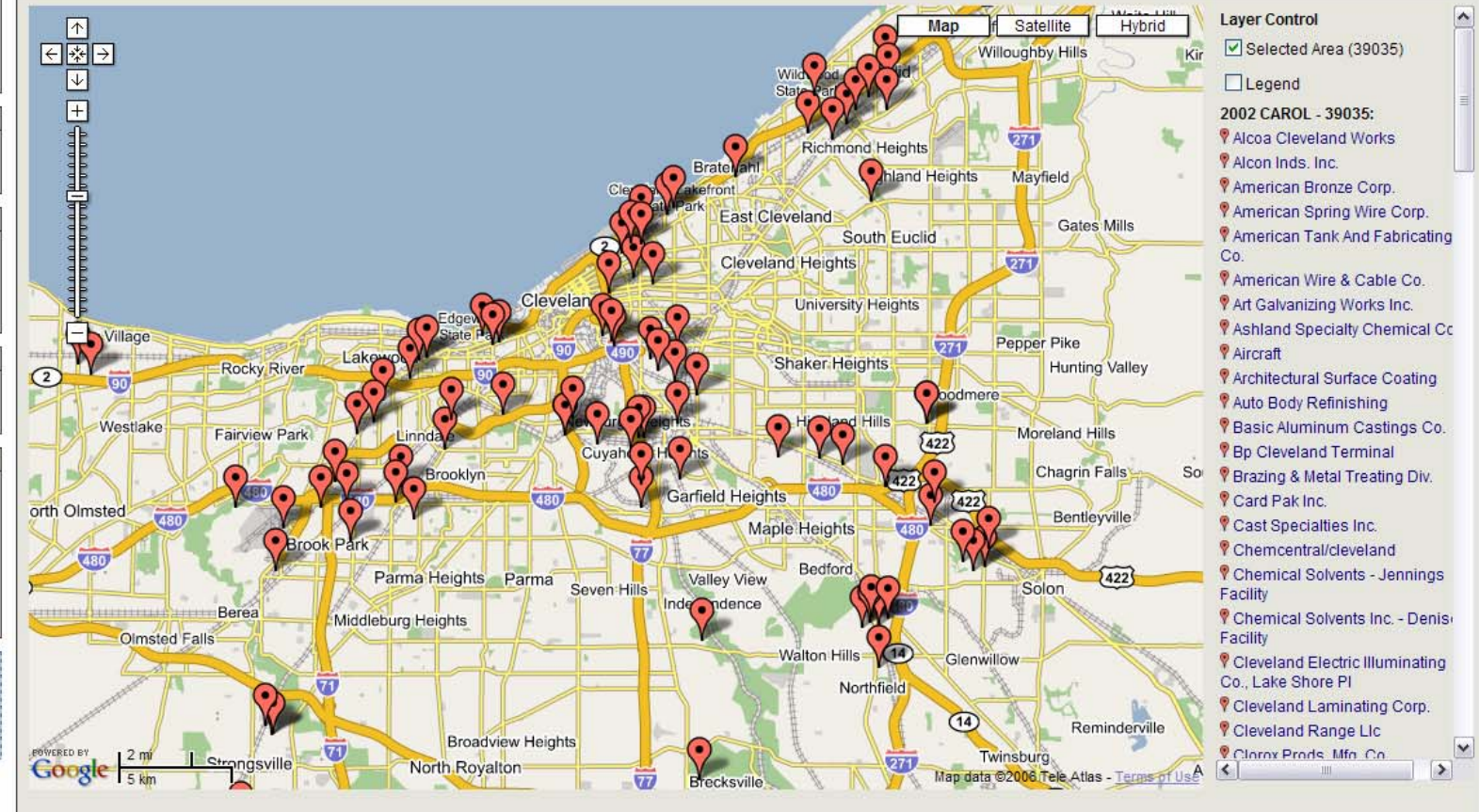
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CAROL Point Source Emission Browser

Select year: 2002 Display By: By State/County Select State: Ohio Select County: Cuyahoga



CAROL data is compiled by the eight Great Lakes states and the province of Ontario and presents the best available emission release data for a calendar year. Source locations are an approximation based on available locational data.

Facilitation and Consensus Building



- Great Lakes Panel on Aquatic Nuisance Species
- Ballast Water Initiative
- Corps Wetlands Habitat Initiative
 - Great Lakes Regional Collaboration
 - State habitat workshops
- Great Lakes Dredging Team
- Rec Boating Study:
 - 4.3 million boats
 - \$5.5 billion

Policy Coordination and Advocacy

Great Lakes Day – March 7, 2007



Great Lakes Restoration: Five Lakes – One Voice

*Regional Priorities for the Great Lakes
March 2007*

- Stop aquatic invasive species
- Clean up toxic sediments
- Restore Great Lakes wetlands
- Protect water quality
- Fund Great Lakes restoration

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A Memorable Anagram

STRATEGIC PLAN

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STARTING PLACE

**The Commission thanks everyone for their input and
dedication to this important process!**