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To: Members and Interested Parties, Great Lakes Panel on Aquatic Nuisance Species

Fr: Kathe Glassner Shwayder, Panel Administrator

Re: Great Lakes Panel Fall Meeting

Da: October 29, 2007

Upcoming Great Lakes Panel Meeting: We are pleased to share with you the preliminary agenda for the fall meeting of the Great Lakes Panel, scheduled for Nov. 28-29, 2007 in Ann Arbor, Mich. The venue for this meeting is located at the Marriott Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti at Eagle Crest (www.annarbormarriott.com). Accommodations are available at the Marriott at a price of \$86 per day plus tax under the designated Great Lakes Commission block. ***The cut-off date for reservations at this rate is Tuesday, Nov. 13, 2007.*** Reservations can be made directly by calling 734-487-2000 or 1-800-228-9290.

The Panel meeting will begin at 10:00 am (EDT) on Wednesday, Nov. 28 and adjourn on Thursday, Nov. 29 at 12:30 pm (EDT). **The theme of the meeting is *Risk Assessment and Screening as Tools for AIS Prevention and Control*.** Featured at the meeting will be presentations from researchers and managers working in this area from both the U.S. and Canada. Please refer to the preliminary draft agenda for your information. If you have questions and/or need additional information, please contact me or Erika Jensen by email (shwayder@glc.org or ejensen@glc.org) or by phone at: 734-971-9135.

- **ACTION: Please register by filling out the attached registration form and returning by Monday, November 12, 2007 or sooner, via mail, e-mail or fax to Erika Jensen; (mail) Great Lakes Commission, 2805 South Industrial Hwy., Suite 100, Ann Arbor, MI 48104; (email) ejensen@glc.org; (fax) 734-971-9150.**

Spring 2007 Meeting Proceedings: A summary of the Great Lakes Panel spring meeting, held in conjunction with the ANS Task Force meeting (May 8-11, 2007 in Erie, Penn.), is available on the Panel website: (<http://glc.org/ans/panel.html#glpmeet>), along with a summary of the session featured at this meeting, *Aquatic Nuisance Species State Management Planning: Great Lakes Regional Perspectives*, as a separate document. The ANS Task Force meeting minutes are available on the ANSTF website at: http://www.anstaskforce.gov/Minutes/ANSTF_Spring_2007_Minutes.pdf. Also attached are MS Word files of these documents, for your review.

- **ACTION: Please contact Erika Jensen (ejensen@glc.org) by Monday, November 12, 2007 with any comments you may have in reviewing the summary documents of the Great Lakes Panel spring meeting, including the ANS SMP session.**

Please note that tomorrow (Tuesday, Oct 30) we will be sending for your review a Great Lakes Panel recommendation based on the SMP session discussion that will be submitted to the ANS Task Force at their upcoming meeting, Nov. 6-8, 2007.

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