

GLP Policy Coordination Committee Meeting (6/25/09)

Notes/Action Items

Committee Workplan Process

- In view of value in longer-term planning and coordinating better with other efforts (esp. GLRI), will develop two-year plan, that can also potentially reach out 5 years
- Will explore other templates, but will include sufficient narrative detail, and address:
 - Lead individuals
 - Rough estimate of funding requirements
 - Time frame
- Action: Build on existing draft following this format, complete by end of summer

Committee Workplan - Issues

- **Priority issues:**
 - Funding: for each Committee project, will need rough estimate of costs and additional funding needs (action)
 - Ballast water policy: GLP weigh in on need for better coordination, value in consistency (action)
 - Organisms in trade: draft letter to ANSTF on elements of needed federal screening legislation (action)
 - Organizational schematic: include some detail on roles, responsibilities (action)
 - Rapid response: Build on recent and ongoing efforts, continue/expand discussions with others on development of regional framework
- **Additional issue:**
 - Canals & waterways: examine potential to build on USACE study of means of preventing AIS transfer between Great Lakes Basin and MRB

Ballast Water Policy – PCC Next Step

- GLP letter to ANS Task Force, w/ possible components to include:
 - Need to clarify roles and responsibilities of all parties
 - e.g., enforcement/inspection roles in current situation with multiple standards/certification conditions
 - Minimum principles/components that the GLP believes are needed in ballast policy for the region, e.g.:
 - Potential for individual jurisdictions to issue more stringent standards than IMO
 - Value in regional consistency
 - Action: Draft letter, review, submit by fall

Regional Priorities Document

- Have draft outline, tentative plan of identifying lead and supporting drafters, reviewers
- General structure involves
 - General issues: funding, rapid response, risk assessment, GL integrated management program, economics of AIS, model legislation, climate and AIS)
 - Vector-based: ballast water, OIT, aquaculture, canals and waterways, recreational activities
 - Species-based: VHS, Asian carp, other
- Build on GLRC recommendations
- Action: finalize drafting approach/list of authors in near future, draft and review recommendations, finalize by fall GLP meeting