



Great Lakes Commission 2017 Annual Meeting

September 19-20 • DULUTH, MN

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FINAL AGENDA – September 14, 2017

All times are CENTRAL		
Monday, Sept. 18		
4:00 p.m.	News Conference: Maritime commerce on the Great Lakes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ GLC, U.S. Rep. Rick Nolan, Duluth Seaway Port Authority, Lake Carriers' Association and Fednav 	Pier B Resort Second Floor Balcony
4:30 – 5:45 p.m.	Registration (Commissioners & Staff Only)	Pier B Resort Lobby
6:00 p.m.	Reception and Dinner (Commissioners Only)	Glensheen Mansion 3300 London Road
Tuesday, Sept. 19		
Work Session (Commissioners & Staff Only)		
7:30 -10:00 a.m.	Working Breakfast – Commissioners & Staff Only	Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (DECC) 350 Harbor Drive
7:30 – 8:45 a.m.	Program Committee Meetings <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Commercial Navigation ▪ Water Management/Infrastructure 	Horizon Room
8:45 – 10:00 a.m.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Aquatic Invasive Species ▪ Water Quality 	
10:00 – 10:20 a.m.	Break	
10:20 a.m.	GLC Meeting – Commissioners and Staff Only	DECC Harborside Ballroom
10:20 a.m.	Call to Order	Jon Allan, Chair (MI)
10:25 a.m.	Roll Call	Tom Crane, Interim Executive Director

10:30 a.m.	Commission Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Approval of Final Agenda ▪ Approval of Minutes from 2017 Semiannual Meeting ▪ Presentation of Resolutions and Action Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 2007 resolutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lake Huron outflows – to be sunsetted - Small harbors – to be retained ◦ Chemicals and contaminants resolution ◦ Clean water services (infrastructure) work group report/action plan/resolution ◦ Farm Bill report ▪ Report of Nominating Committee ▪ Election of Officers 	Jon Allan, Chair Jon Allan, Chair GLC Staff Nominating Committee
11:15 a.m.	Planning for the 2017 Leadership Summit of the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Governors and Premiers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Blue Accounting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ ErieStat pilot ◦ Maritime pilot 	Steve Cole, Chief Information Officer Nicole Zacharda, Program Manager Matt Doss, Policy Director
11:45 a.m.	Adjourn for lunch	
Annual Meeting (Open to All)		
10:00 a.m.	Registration	Duluth Entertainment Convention Center (DECC) Harborside Convention Center
11:45 a.m.	Lunch & Keynote Remarks	DECC Horizon Room Keynote Speaker: Hon. Rick Nolan, U.S. Congressman (D-MN-8)
1:05 p.m.	Call to Order	DECC Harborside Ballroom Jon Allan, Chair
1:10 p.m.	Welcome to Duluth	Mayor Emily Larson, City of Duluth
1:25 p.m.	Report of the Chair and Executive Director	Jon Allan, Chair Tom Crane, Interim Executive Director
1:45 p.m.	The Federal Budget, New Federalism & Implications for Great Lakes States	Speaker: Alexandra Dunn, Environmental Council of the States
2:15 p.m.	Navigation Dredging and Beneficial Use of Dredged Material	Moderator: Steve Galarneau (WI) Speaker: Karl Gebhardt, Ohio EPA
2:30 p.m.	Break	
2:45 p.m.	Clean Water Services and Infrastructure	Moderator: Victoria Pebbles, Program Director Speakers: John Stine, Vice Chair Jim Gebhardt, U.S. EPA Water Infrastructure and Resiliency Finance Center

3:30 p.m.	Agriculture Conservation in the Region and the Farm Bill	Moderator: Paul Torkelson (MN) Speakers: Andrea Stay and John Switzer , Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development
4:05 p.m.	Observer Remarks	Great Lakes Commission Observers
4:50 p.m.	Announcements/Adjourn for the Day	
5:45 p.m.	Boat Tour of Duluth/Superior Harbor and Reception	Boarding Opens at 5:15 p.m. Boat Departs at 5:45 p.m. Vista Fleet Dock, 323 Harbor Drive <i>Thanks to our sponsors: LimnoTech, Cardno, AMI Consulting Engineers, P.A., Hull & Associates, Duluth Seaway Port Authority, and GEI Consulting Engineers and Scientists</i>

Wednesday, Sept. 20

7:30 a.m.	Breakfast	DECC Horizon Room
8:00 a.m.	Tribal Welcome	DECC Harborside Ballroom Kevin DuPuis , Fond du Lac Tribe of Lake Superior Chippewa
8:20 a.m.	Keynote Speaker	Hon. Tina Smith , Minnesota Lieutenant Governor
8:45 a.m.	Discussion Panel: Tribal Governance and Great Lakes Resources	Moderator: John Stine Speakers: Karen Diver , College of St. Scholastica, former Special Assistant to the President for Native American Affairs Michael Isham, Jr , Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission Thomas Howes , Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewa
10:15 a.m.	Break	
10:30 a.m.	Asian Carp, Aquatic Invasives and the Chicago Waterways Update on Brandon Road Draft Feasibility Study Commissioner Discussion	Moderator: Dan Injerd (IL) Speakers: Col. Craig Baumgartner , Commander, Rock Island District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Dennis Hamilton , Deputy for Programs and Project Management, Rock Island District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
11:15 a.m.	Business of the Great Lakes Commission <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Resolutions and Action Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ 2007 resolutions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Lake Huron outflows – to be sunsetted - Small harbors – to be retained ◦ Chemicals and contaminants resolution 	Jon Allan , Chair

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11:50 a.m.	Invitation to 2018 Semiannual Meeting in Washington, D.C.	Tom Crane , Interim Executive Director
11:55 a.m.	Closing Remarks	Newly Elected Chair and Vice-Chair
12:00 p.m.	Adjourn	