

FINAL AGENDA Great Lakes Commission 2015 Annual Meeting

Sept. 28-29, 2015

The Drake Hotel • 140 East Walton Place; Chicago, IL 60611

Monday, Sept. 28 All times are CENTRAL				
7:00-9:00 a.m.	Registration	Foyer, Grand Ballroom		
9:00 a.m.	Call to Order, Opening Remarks	Jon Allan (MI), Acting Chair		
9:05 a.m.	Roll Call	Tim Eder, Executive Director		
9:05 a.m.	Welcome to Illinois	Wayne Rosenthal, Illinois DNR Director and chair of the Illinois delegation		
9:15 a.m.	Commission Business	Jon Allan, Acting Chair Nominating Committee		
9:30 a.m.	Special Welcoming Remarks	Honorable Richard Durbin, U.S. Senator, Illinois		
9:45 a.m.	Keynote address	Christine St-Pierre, Minister of International Relations and La Francophonie, Province of Quebec		
10:15 a.m.	Break			
10:30 a.m.	Report from the Great Lakes Protection Fund	Russell Van Herik, Executive Director, Great Lakes Protection Fund		
11:00 a.m.	Keynote Address Future economic pressures and opportunities for Great Lakes cities	Jeff Malehorn, President and CEO, World Business Chicago		
11:30 a.m.	Keynote Address	Stan Meiburg, Acting Deputy Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency		
12:00-1:30 p.m.	Private lunch for Commissioners Lunch on your own for other attendees	Georgian Room, Mezzanine Level		
1:30 p.m.	Joint Session with the Great Lakes Fishery Commission: Invasive Species and the Chicago Area Waterway System	Introduction of commissioners to the Great Lakes Fishery Commission		
1:30 p.m.	Keynote Address	Jo-Ellen Darcy, Assistant Secretary of the Army (Civil Works)		

1:45 p.m.	Invasive Species and the Chicago Area Waterway System	
	Background and Status	Panelists: Kevin Irons, Illinois Department of Natural Resources Paul Dierking, HDR Engineering
2:15 p.m.	The Path Forward	Panelists: Tim Brown, Chicago Area Waterway System Advisory Committee David St. Pierre, Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago Ben Brockschmidt, Illinois Chamber of Commerce Joel Brammeier, Alliance for the Great Lakes
3:00 p.m.	Discussion with Commissioners of the GLC and GLFC	
3:30 p.m.	Break	
3:50 p.m.	60 Years of Binational Collaboration and Progress, and Challenges for the Coming Decades	Tracy Mehan, former GLC Commissioner and Executive Director of Government Affairs, American Water Works Association
4:20 p.m.	What's next for the Great Lakes Commission? A look ahead: Report of the Chair and Executive Director	Jon Allan, Acting Chair Tim Eder, Executive Director
	Discussion with Commissioners	All Commissioners
5:00 p.m.	Adjourn for Reception	
5:30 p.m.	Transportation provided to Shedd Aquarium	Buses will depart from the Oak St. entrance on the north side of the hotel at 5:30 pm, 5:40 pm, 5:50 pm, 6:10 pm and 6:20 pm and return from the aquarium at 8:15 pm, 8:30 pm, 8:45 pm and 9:00 pm.
6:00-8:30 p.m.	60 th Anniversary Celebration and Reception with the Great Lakes Fishery Commission	Hosted by the Shedd Aquarium
	Appetizers and refreshments, business casual attire	Sponsored by: The Joyce Foundation The Great Lakes Fishery Trust Great Lakes Protection Fund Lagunitas Brewing Company AECOM

Tuesday, Sept. 29			
7:00 a.m.	Registration and Continental Breakfast	Grand Ballroom	
8:30 a.m.	Opening Keynote Address		
	Great Rivers Chicago—Reconnecting Chicago and its rivers	MarySue Barrett, President, Metropolitan Planning Council	
9:00 a.m.	Panel: Healing Fractured Water in our Urban Environments	Moderator: Bill Carr, Ontario Speakers John Jackson, GLC contract employee – Ontario Christine Zimmer, Credit Valley Conservation Authority Harriet Festing, Center for Neighborhood Technology Aaron Koch, City of Chicago	
10:15 a.m.	Break		
10:30 a.m.	Report of the Oil Transportation Committee	Eric Marquis, Quebec	
10:45 a.m.	Observer comments	Great Lakes Commission's official Observers	
11:30 a.m.	Business of the Great Lakes Commission Resolutions	Jon Allan, Acting Chair	
11:45 a.m.	Invitation to 2016 Semiannual Meeting & Great Lakes Day Events The Commission's 2016 Semiannual Meeting will be held Tuesday-Wednesday, February 23-24 at the Westin Washington DC City Center Hotel. Great Lakes Day on Capitol Hill will be held Thursday, Feb. 25 (location TBD).	Tim Eder	
12:00 Noon	Adjourn	Jon Allan	
12:00-2:00 p.m.	Joint Lunch With Healing Our Waters – Great Lakes Coalition	Gold Coast Ballroom	