



2021 Great Lakes Commission Semiannual Meeting

ONLINE MEETING – REMOTE ACCESS TO BE ANNOUNCED

DRAFT AGENDA – May 10, 2021

| Tuesday, May 11 All times are Eastern | | |
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| 9:30 a.m. | Call to Order and Roll Call | Sharon Jackson Great Lakes Commission Chair, Deputy General Counsel, Office of the Governor of Indiana Commissioners |
| 9:40 a.m. | Opening Remarks and Report of the Chair | Sharon Jackson , Chair |
| 9:55 a.m. | Business of the Great Lakes Commission <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and Approval of Agenda • Approval of Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 2020 Annual Meeting – November 17-19, 2020 • Observer Request from Audubon Great Lakes • Presentation of Action Items <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Report of Resolutions Review Committee | Sharon Jackson , Chair Brenda Sandberg , Pennsylvania Commissioner, Executive Director, Erie-Western Pennsylvania Port Authority |
| 10:25 a.m. | Interim Executive Director Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GLC Program/Project Updates | Erika Jensen , Interim Executive Director |
| 10:40 a.m. | Health Break | |
| 10:50 a.m. | Keynote Remarks | Michael S. Regan , Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency |
| 11:00 a.m. | Great Lakes Restoration Initiative Update | Chris Korleski , U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Great Lakes National Program Office |
| 11:25 a.m. | Great Lakes Advisory Board (GLAB) Update | Steve Galarneau , GLAB Co-Chair, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources |
| 11:50 a.m. | Adjourn morning session | Sharon Jackson , Chair |
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| 1:50 p.m. | Reconvene | Sharon Jackson , Chair |
| 1:55 p.m. | Keynote Remarks | Martha Williams , Principal Deputy Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service |

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| 2:10 p.m. | U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Update: Soo Locks, Brandon Road, and Coastal Resiliency | Moderator: Kay Nelson , Director, Environmental Affairs, Northwest Indiana Forum Speakers: Mollie Mahoney , Project Manager, Detroit District Andrew Leichty , Project Manager, Rock Island District David F. Bucaro , Chief, Project Management Section, Chicago District |
| 3:00 p.m. | Québec's Maritime Strategy | Ministre Chantal Rouleau , Ministère des Transports |
| 3:30 p.m. | Health Break | |
| 3:40 p.m. | Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Maritime Transportation Panel Discussion: Modernization, Sustainability and Resiliency | Moderator: David Naftzger , Executive Director, Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Governors and Premiers Panelists: David Martin , Owner, CSL Group BJ Murray , Section Chief, Aviation & Marine Transportation Program Planning, Illinois Department of Transportation Tom Rayburn , Vice President, Lake Carriers' Association |
| 5:00 p.m. | Adjourn for the day | |
| 5:15 p.m. | Commissioner Networking | |

Wednesday, May 12

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| 9:30 a.m. | Call to Order | Sharon Jackson , Chair |
| 9:35 a.m. | Keynote Remarks | Terry Cosby , Acting Chief, USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service |
| 10:00 a.m. | U.S. Legislative Updates: Climate and Infrastructure | Navis Bermudez , Senior Professional Staff, House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure (Majority) |
| 10:20 a.m. | Health Break | |
| 10:30 a.m. | Water Infrastructure Investment + Community Input = Positive Impact | Crystal Davis , Vice President of Policy and Strategic Engagement, Alliance for the Great Lakes |
| 10:45 a.m. | Water Quality and Infrastructure Panel Discussion: Equity, Access and Affordability | Moderator: Crystal Davis Panelists: Brenda Coley , Milwaukee Water Commons Shadi Eskaf , UNC Environmental Finance Center Jim McGoff , Indiana Finance Authority Jerry Rouch , Ohio Environmental Protection Agency Paul Vojtek , Erie Water Works |
| 12:05 p.m. | Observer Comments (1) | GLC Observers |
| 12:30 p.m. | Adjourn morning session | Sharon Jackson , Chair |
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| 2:00 p.m. | Reconvene | Sharon Jackson , Chair |
| 2:05 p.m. | Observer Comments (2) | |

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| 2:30 p.m. | The Importance and Integration of TEK in Great Lakes Issues: A GLIFWC Approach | Melonee Montano , Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK) Outreach Specialist, Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission |
| 3:00 p.m. | Health Break | |
| 3:10 p.m. | Harmful Algal Blooms and Nutrient Management Panel Discussion | Moderator: Santina Wortman , U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Panelists: Greg Baneck , Outagamie County (WI) Land Conservation Department Dr. Maria Bowman , USDA-Economic Research Service Dorienne Cushman , Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs Dr. Merrin Macrae , University of Waterloo Eric Saas , Ohio Department of Natural Resources Dr. Robert Sterner , University of Minnesota Duluth |
| 4:30 p.m. | Business of the Great Lakes Commission • Action Items | Sharon Jackson , Chair |
| 4:40 p.m. | Invitation to 2021 Annual Meeting | Erika Jensen , Interim Executive Director |
| 4:45 p.m. | Closing Remarks and Adjournment | Sharon Jackson , Chair |