



2021 Great Lakes Commission Semiannual Meeting

ONLINE MEETING – REMOTE ACCESS TO BE ANNOUNCED

FINAL AGENDA – May 10, 2021

Tuesday, May 11 All times are Eastern		
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
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

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
2:00 p.m.	Reconvene	Sharon Jackson , Chair
2:05 p.m.	Observer Comments (2)	

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