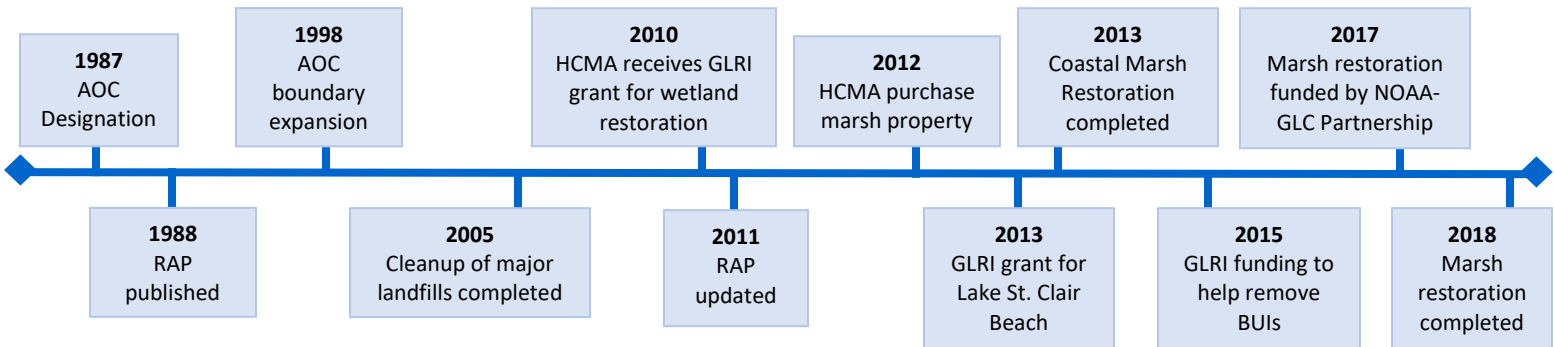




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Clinton River Restoration Project History



- **1987:** Clinton River was designated as an Area of Concern (AOC) under the 1987 Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.
- **1988:** The first Remedial Action Plan (RAP) was published by the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ).
- **1998:** The 1998 RAP update expanded the AOC boundary to include “the nearshore area of Lake St. Clair impacted by the Clinton River and its spillway.”
- **2004:** The Clinton River Public Advisory Council (PAC) receives grant from Great Lakes Commission (GLC) to determine criteria to delist the Clinton River as an AOC
- **2005:** Completion of landfill cleanup eliminates soil contamination from heavy metals, nitrates, and PCBs in the Clinton River AOC.
- **2010:** Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority (HCMA) received \$1.4 million from the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI) for coastal wetland restoration. This grant was used for invasive species removal, hydrological restoration, and recreational improvements to Point Rosa Marsh.
- **2011:** RAP updated and outlined AOC restoration progress, actions towards removing BUIs, and final plans to delist the Clinton River as an AOC.
- **2012:** HCMA received grants from federal and non-federal funding sources to purchase private properties containing a significant amount of marshland. This expansion allowed HCMA ownership of much of the Black Creek Marsh for large-scale restoration.
- **2013:** Lake St. Clair Coastal Marsh Restoration completed. In addition, Lake St. Clair Metropark Beach split a GLRI grant of \$262,904 to reduce E. Coli levels, replace sand, landscape beach area, and redirect storm water runoff away from the beach.
- **2014-2015:** \$20 million in GLRI funding awarded to major projects throughout the AOC to help remove BUIs.
- **2017:** NOAA-GLC Regional Partnership funded additional Black Creek Marsh restoration.
- **2018:** Black Creek Marsh restoration is completed in the spring of 2018. Post-restoration monitoring continues.

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