GLLC 2022 Annual Meeting

InterContinental Chicago Magnificent Mile Hotel † Chicago, Illinois
September 23-24, 2022

Agenda

Illinois Representative Robyn Gabel, GLLC Chair

Friday, September 23

9:00 am – 12:00 pm  Nutrient Management Task Force Meeting – Camelot Room

This meeting of the GLLC Task Force on Nutrient Management is open to all task force members, other interested GLLC members and invited guests. Topics to be addressed will include the Great Lakes Commission Sediment & Nutrient Reduction Program and federal conservation funding.

Nicole Zacharda, Program Manager, Great Lakes Commission
Jerry Raynor, Indiana State Conservationist, USDA-NRCS

12:00 pm – 1:00 pm  Nutrient Management Task Force Luncheon – Camelot Room

Luncheon open to all pre-registered attendees of the morning meeting of the GLLC Task Force on Nutrient Management.

1:30 pm – 4:30 pm  Architectural Cruise on the Chicago River – Meet in Lobby

Optional pre-meeting site visit for early arrivals. Participants will enjoy a 90-minute, architectural cruise of the Chicago River aboard Chicago’s First Lady. Expert docents from the Chicago Architecture Center will narrate the tour sharing fascinating stories behind the buildings and architecture for which the city and riverfront are known. Pre-registration is required, and participation is limited. (Casual attire.)

5:30 pm – 6:30 pm  Registration – Lobby Level – Town Square
6:30 pm – 8:30 pm Opening Reception – Camelot Room

Opening reception for all GLLC attendees and guests. The reception is hosted with generous support provided by the Government of Canada through the Consulate General of Canada in Chicago.

Saturday, September 24

7:30 am – 9:30 am Registration – Avenue Ballroom Foyer

7:30 am – 8:45 am Executive Committee Meeting – Streeterville Room

GLLC Executive Committee members and invited guests only.

8:00 am – 9 am Breakfast – Avenue Ballroom Foyer

9:00 am – 9:45 am GLLC Business Session – Avenue Ballroom

• Welcome and Introductions
• Chair’s Report
• Staff Report
• Committee/Task Force Reports
• Elections

9:45 am – 10:00 am Break

10:00 am – 11 am Climate Resilience in Coastal Communities

Dr. Donald Wuebbles, Professor, Atmospheric Science, University of Illinois

Eric Brown, Senior Advisor for External Relations, Great Lakes Commission

11:00 am – 12 pm PFAS Contamination: State Legislation and Land and Water Impact (Presented by GLLC Task Force on Nutrient Management)

Tom Lee, Partner, Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner LLP

Abigail Hendershott, Executive Director, Michigan PFAS Action Response Team
12:00 pm – 1:45 pm  Luncheon and Guest Presentation – Camelot Room

“The Accidental Reef and other Ecological Odysseys in the Great Lakes”

Dr. Lynne Heasley, Professor of Environment and Sustainability, Western Michigan University

1:45 pm – 2:15 pm  Advocating for the Lakes: Challenges and Priorities – Avenue Ballroom

Molly Flanagan, Chief Operating Officer and Vice President, Programs, Alliance for the Great Lakes

2:15 pm – 2:45 pm  Recent Developments at the Federal Level

Chris Korleski, Director, Great Lakes National Program Office, EPA Region 5

2:45 pm – 3:00 pm  Break

3:00 pm – 4:30 pm  Preventing the Spread of Invasive Species

Dr. Rochelle Sturtevant, Program Manager, Great Lakes Aquatic Nonindigenous Species Information System

Colonel Jesse T. Curry, Commander and District Engineer, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District

Colleen Callahan, Director, Illinois Department of Natural Resources

4:30 pm – 5:15 pm  Roundtable Discussion

An opportunity for Caucus members to discuss recent Great Lakes-related developments in their respective states and provinces. Participants are also encouraged to share any information related to issues that are likely to be addressed during their fall 2022 or winter 2023 legislative sessions.

5:15 pm – 5:30 pm  Other Business/Wrap Up

5:30 pm  Adjourn