



**May 20-21<sup>st</sup>, 2008**  
**The Calumet Conference Center, Purdue University, Hammond Indiana**  
**AGENDA**

**TUESDAY AFTERNOON MAY 20TH : CURRENT WORK OF THE RPO'S ON WATER QUALITY POLICY IMPLEMENTATION**

<b>Plenary</b>		<b>Banquet Rooms 136 &amp; 137</b>	
<b>Moderator: Kathy Luther</b>			
1:00 – 1:15	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Welcome Address	John Swanson, Executive Director NIRPC
1:15 –2:00	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Sustaining Lake Michigan Lake Michigan Watershed Academy: Background & Accomplishments	Judy Beck, USEPA GLNPO Kerry Leigh, CMAP
2:00 –3:00	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Regional Water Quality Management Plan: Big Gains, But Much Work Remains Exploring the Intersections Between Transportation, Land Use & Natural Resource and Watershed Planning : Stearns Rd., Kane Co., A Case Study in Transportation & Natural Resource Protection	Mike Hahn, SEWRPC K. Leigh, CMAP and P. Kelsey, CBBEWL, Ltd.
3:00 –3:15	<i>Foyer</i>	<i>Break</i>	
3:15 –5:00	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Going Beyond the Nine Components of a Watershed-based Plan: The Kishwaukee River Basin A Greenprint Plan for the Town of Greenville Building Public and Private Partnerships to Create a Green Infrastructure Vision in the Lower St. Joseph River Watershed Environmental Planning and Programming in Northwestern Indiana, NIRPC as a voice for regional stewardship SOLEC- State of the Lake Ecosystem Indicators and Land Use Planning	Tim Loftus, CMAP  Eric Fowle, ECRPC Marcy Colclough, SWMPC  Kathy Luther, NIRPC Patty O'Donnell, SOLEC Steering Committee
5:00 –5:20	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	National Dialogue on Access to Environmental Information Stakeholder Outreach	Steve Goranson, USEPA Region 5



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<b>Plenary:</b>	<b>The Big Picture</b>	<b>Banquet Rooms 134 &amp; 135</b>
<b>Moderator: Kerry Leigh</b>		
8:00 am	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	<i>Breakfast</i>
8:30-8:45	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Welcome Address
8:45-10:15		<p>Documenting Status and Trends- The Big Picture in LaMP 2008</p> <p>Stormwater Management &amp; Conservation Design</p>
10:15	<i>Foyer</i>	<i>Break</i>
		<p>Mayor Joe Stahura, Whiting Indiana</p> <p>Judy Beck, USEPA/GLNPO</p> <p>Jim Patchett, Conservation Design Forum</p>



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**Breakout Sessions AM**

	<b>Room 136 Moderator: Patty O'Donnell</b>	<b>Room 137 Moderator: Sarah Nerenberg</b>	<b>Tiered Classroom 121 <i>This training is repeated in the afternoon.</i></b>	<b>Tiered Classroom 125 <i>This training is repeated in the afternoon.</i></b>
10:30-12:00	<b>Green Infrastructure</b>	<b>Watershed Issues</b>	<b>Web Planning Tools-Hands on Training - A</b>	<b>Web Planning Tools-Hands on Training - B</b>
	Green Infrastructure Tools for Calculating Benefits in the Watershed. (Steve Wise, Center for Neighborhood Technology)	From Science to Implementation: Establishment of a Framework For Fishery Passage in the Greater Milwaukee Watersheds (Tom Slawski, SEWRPC)	Estimating the impacts of land use changes on runoff and water quality (L-THIA);  Estimating the effectiveness of Low Impact Development (LID) approaches on runoff;	Digital Watershed , High Impact Targeting Tool (HIT) and the Michigan Water Withdrawal Assessment Tool for decision-making in Watershed Management
	Green Infrastructure BMP's (Sarah Beazley, Department of Environment City of Chicago)	Ecological: An Ecosystem Approach to Developing Infrastructure Projects (Kimberly Majerus FHWA)	Local Community Decision Maker: An on-line Comprehensive Planning Decision System	(Dr. Jon Bartholic, Jeremiah Asher, Glenn O'Neil, Yi Shi, Institute of Water Research Michigan State)
	Climate Change Impacts on Lake Michigan: Adaptation & Mitigation for Local Governments (Melissa Hulting, USEPA Region 5)	Ground Water in the Lake Michigan Basin; the case of southeastern Wisconsin (Dr. Charles Dunning, WI USGS)	(Richard Farnsworth, James Hunter & Larry Theller, Purdue)	

12:00-1:30  
Banquet Rooms 134  
135  
**Luncheon Keynote Speaker : John Austin, Senior Fellow Brookings Institution** - "Healthy Waters Strong Economy - The Economic Benefits of Restoring the Great Lakes Ecosystem." John Austin will share results from recent Brookings-Great Lakes Economic Initiative report that describes and puts a dollar value on the diverse economic benefits that flow from stewardship of the unique Great Lakes water system.



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<b>Breakout Sessions PM</b>				
	<b>Room 136 Moderator: Hala Ahmed</b>	<b>Room 137 Moderator: Jesse Elam</b>	<b>Tiered Classroom 121</b>	<b>Tiered Classroom 125</b>
1:30– 3:00	<b>Water Quality Issues</b>	<b>Integrated Water Resource Planning</b>	<b>Web Planning Tools-Hands on Training - C</b>	<b>Web Planning Tools-Hands on Training - D</b>
	Aquatic Invasive Species in the Great Lakes: What is here, is coming and what can we do about it? (Michael Hoff, US Fish & Wildlife Fisheries)	Integrated Water Conservation & Protection: How it Improves Ecosystem Health & Why it is Important for the Great Lakes (Jeff Edstrom, Geosyntec Consultants)	Estimating the impacts of land use changes on runoff and water quality (L-THIA);  Estimating the effectiveness of Low Impact Development (LID) approaches on runoff;	Digital Watershed , High Impact Targeting Tool (HIT) and the Michigan Water Withdrawal Assessment Tool for decision-making in Watershed Management
	Chemical Contaminants: What's Going in Lake Michigan? (Gary Kohlhepp, MI. DEQ)	Planning for Water Reuse in the Chicago Metropolitan Area (Paul Anderson Illinois Institute of Technology)	Local Community Decision Maker: An on-line Comprehensive Planning Decision System	(Dr. Jon Bartholic, Jeremiah Asher, Glenn O'Neil, Yi Shi, Institute of Water Research Michigan State)
	Lake Michigan Beaches – Identifying Contamination Sources through the Use of the US EPA/GLRC Standardized Sanitary Survey Tool (Dr. Julie Kinzelman, City of Racine)	Land Use, Surface & Groundwater Resources, Environmental Protection & Sustainable Growth: Fitting Pieces Together. (Gary Korb, SEWRPC)	(Richard Farnsworth, James Hunter & Larry Theller, Purdue	
3:00-3:15	<i>Break</i>			



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<b>Plenary: Moderator: Kerry Leigh</b>		<b>Banquet Rooms 134 &amp; 135</b>	
3:15-3:45	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Great Lakes Regional Collaboration Habitat Initiative – An Overview	David Brakhage, Ducks Unlimited
3:45-4:15	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Across Boundaries: Restoring a Watershed, Restoring the Great Lakes	Alliance for the Great Lakes, Joel Brammeier, Associate Director for Policy
4:15 – 4:45	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Local Governments Role in Protection of the Great Lakes: The Great Lakes & St. Lawrence Cities Initiative.	Mayor Gary Becker, Racine WI. Chair of GLSLCI
5:00 – 6:30	<i>Gallery/Foyer</i>	<i>Sponsored Evening Mixer with Appetizers</i>	Sponsored by: Christopher B. Burke Engineering, Ltd.



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<b><u>THURSDAY MAY 22<sup>ND</sup></u></b>	<b>GREAT LAKES WATER QUALITY AGREEMENT AND REGIONAL POLICY</b>
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<b>Plenary: Moderator: Kerry Leigh</b>			<b>Banquet Rooms 136 &amp; 137</b>
8:00	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	<i>Breakfast</i>	
8:30- 9:15	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Regional Planning & Implementation of the Great Lakes water Quality Agreement	Lee Botts
9:15– 9:45	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	How Cities Can Help Make the Next Water Quality Agreement More of a Reality	David Ullrich, Executive Director Great Lakes & St. Lawrence Cities Initiative
9:45-10:30	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Table Discussions: Developing Regional Policy & Identifying Barriers to Policy Implementation.	John Perrecone, USEPA
10:00	<i>Foyer</i>	<i>Refreshments available, no break</i>	
10:30-11:00	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Integrating Transportation & Land Use Planning in the Chicago Region: <i>How Integrated, Collaborative Planning can Function as a Driver for Regional Economic Prosperity Within an Environmentally Responsible Framework.</i>	Randall S. Blankenhorn, Executive Director CMAP
11:00-11:30	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Chicago Wilderness: Biodiversity, The Model & The Climate Change Task Force	Chris Mulvaney, Chicago Wilderness
11:30-12:00	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Policy Implications: A National View on Land Use & Green Infrastructure	Jamal Kadri, USEPA
12:15-12:30	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	National Dialogue on Access to Environmental Information Stakeholder Outreach Followup	Steve Goranson, USEPA
12:30	<i>Banquet Rooms</i>	Conference ends	



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