

Great Lakes Restoration Initiative – Lake Erie Synthesis & Coordination Team

Ohio Forum #2 – Progress of GLRI in Ohio

Location BGSU Firelands Cedar Point Center – November 29, 2011

Purpose: To revisit GLRI projects funded in 2010 and review progress to date and preliminary results and to begin the process of pulling together the “big picture” for GLRI in Ohio.

Agenda:

9:00 Registration and Refreshments

9:30 Opening Remarks/Welcome: Dr. Jeff Reutter and Gail Hesse

9:45 Brief Update on GLRI: Dan O’Riordan, USEPA

10:00 Projects Breakout Sessions (10 min each on project preliminary results, impact, importance to public)

Group 1: Invasive Species and Habitat & Wildlife Protection/Restoration (Room 1003A)

Synthesis Team Moderator(s): Anthony Sasson, Roger Knight, Jan Ciborowski, Sandra Kosek-Sills, Frank Lopez

- OEPA – Ashtabula River AOC Habitat Restoration (Amy Jo Klei)
- The Nature Conservancy – *Phragmites* Control (James Cole)
- The Nature Conservancy – Invasive Plant Prevention & Control/Grand River (Nathan Randolph)
- Partners for Clean Steams – Restoring Ottawa River Wetlands/Habitat (Kristina Patterson)
- The Nature Conservancy – Wet Prairie Restoration in Maumee AOC (Steven Woods)
- Cuyahoga County Engineer’s Office – Riparian Habitat Restoration Phase I (Stan Kosilesky)
- Cuyahoga County Engineer’s Office – Riparian Habitat Restoration Phase II (Stan Kosilesky)
- Cuyahoga County SWCD – Lacustrine Refuge (Claire Posius)
- The Nature Conservancy – Blueprints for Conservation of Diversity (Anthony Sasson)
- ODNR - Cuyahoga Habitat and Fish Restoration (Kevin Kayle)
- ODNR - North Bass Island Restoration (Edward Frank)
- ODNR – Reforestation of Maumee Bay/Mary Jane Thurston State Parks (Edward Frank)
- A Comprehensive Regional Public Outreach Campaign on AIS (U.MN) (Dave Kelch)

Group 2: Nonpoint Source Pollution (Room 1004)

Synthesis Team Moderator(s): Dick Bartz, Cheryl Rice, Gail Hesse, Steve Davis, (Dan O’Riordan)

- City of Toledo – Scrap Yard Pollution Prevention (Marc Gerdeman)
- U of Toledo – Biosolids Application (Kevin Czajkowski)
- NEORS – Dental Amalgam Separators (Kathryn Crestani)
- Huron County SWCD – Sediment Reduction Project (Cary Brickner)
- Buffalo State College - Nearshore and Offshore Nutrient Study (Darren Bade)
- Undo the Great Lakes Chemical Brew; Proper PPCP Disposal (PSU) (Dave Kelch)
- Green Marina Outreach & Education Project (U.MI) (Jill Jentes)
- OLEC – Toledo Harbor Sediment Management and Reuse (Hull, Inc.)
- OEPA – Cuyahoga County Surface Water Improvement Fund (Russ Gibson)
- OEPA – P Reduction Variable Rate Technology Program (Amy Jo Klei)
- OEPA – Ottawa River (Lima) TMDL (Amy Jo Klei)
- OEPA – Comprehensive Nearshore Monitoring Program (Amy Jo Klei)

Group 3: Beach Health and Monitoring (Room 1003B)

Synthesis Team Moderator(s): John Watkins, Kristy Meyer, Eddie Herdendorf, Jeff Reutter

- NEORSD – Predictive Urban Beach Models (Mark Citriglia)
- NEORSD – Comparison of Methods to Assess Bacterial Levels at Beaches (Mark Citriglia)
- OSU College of Public Health – Rapid ID of Fecal Sources (Jiyoung Lee)
- Cuyahoga County Board of Health – Watershed Health at Huntington Beach (Jill Lis)
- NEO Univ.-Medicine – Rapid Bacteria Detection at Cleveland Beaches (Gary Niehaus)
- ODH – Improving Communication About Ohio Water Quality (Mary Clifton)
- ODH – Sanitary Surveys to Reduce Pollution in Lake Erie (Mary Clifton)
- GLOS Adaptive Management Needs Assessment (GLOS, Inc.) (Frank Lichtkoppler)

12:00 Lunch – Light Buffet Lunch Provided

Group leaders to work with their group's Synthesis Team members on breakout synthesis/reporting.

12:30 Summary Session

Synthesis Team leaders in each group lead discussion to summarize main points arising from the projects in that group.

1:00 Report Out (Auditorium)

All to reconvene and Synthesis Team leaders in each of the 3 groups summarize discussions

2:00 Break

2:15 Open Discussion, Summary, and Planning for the Future

2:45 Closing Comments

3:00 Adjourn

Synthesis Team Meeting to follow at 3:30; wrap-up by 5