



## GREAT LAKES INDUSTRY UPDATE

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CGLI's quarterly newsletter is intended to provide brief updates on issues and topics that impact industry in the Great Lakes region.

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### ***Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Cities Initiative formally challenges Waukesha Diversion***

On August 22, the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative requested a hearing to challenge the decision by the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Council to allow the City of Waukesha, WI to divert water from Lake Michigan. The City asserts that the purpose of the challenge is to preserve the long term integrity of the Great Lakes and the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin Water Resources Compact. [Read more](#)

### ***First list of "Chemicals of Mutual Concern" finalized***

On June 1, the Great Lakes Executive Committee (GLEC) finally designated the first round of chemicals of mutual concern (CMC) under the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement (GLWQA). The US Environmental Protection Agency and Environment and Climate Change Canada are developing "pilot" binational management strategies for of these substances (PCBs and HBCD). [Read more](#)

### **About CGLI**

*CGLI promotes the economic growth and vitality of the region in harmony with its human and natural resources (sustainable development).*

*CGLI works to ensure that industry is a substantive partner in the development of the Great Lakes regional policy. CGLI provides industry's perspective in collaborative efforts to protect the region's shared freshwater resources.*

*As a coordinated voice*

## ***HOW invites US presidential campaigns to outline Great Lakes platform***

The 12th Annual Great Lakes Restoration Conference is scheduled for September 20-22 at Cedar Point in Sandusky, OH. The purpose of the conference is to provide a forum for environmental advocates in the Great Lakes region to highlight restoration projects and share strategies for engaging the public in Great Lakes issues. The Healing our Waters-Great Lakes Coalition (HOW), which hosts the conference, has invited representatives of the US presidential campaigns to attend the conference and provide a keynote address that outlines their platform strategies for protecting and restoring the Great Lakes. [Read more](#)

## ***State of the Great Lakes will be featured at the Great Lakes Public Forum***

The Great Lakes Public Forum (October 3-6 at the Allstream Centre in Toronto, ON) will provide an opportunity for the United States and Canada to present a scientific and technical review of Great Lakes water quality and to propose priorities for science and action related to the protection and restoration of the Great Lakes. A key feature of the forum is that the IJC will discuss and receive public comment on the parties' State of the Lakes report. CGLI President Kathryn Buckner has been asked to participate in the Forum by providing an industry perspective on a panel highlighting the importance of the Great Lakes to various sectors of the Great Lakes community. [Read more](#)

## ***Join CGLI!***

Proactive private sector engagement is critical to the economic vitality of the Great Lakes region as current issues are addressed and new public policy issues emerge. Contact us today to see how you can extend your company's public policy capability by engaging with CGLI to advance the industry agenda in Great Lakes policy discussions. Information about membership in CGLI is available [here](#).

*for industry, CGLI creates an opportunity for industries to contribute to and engage in both Great Lakes protection and restoration, and to preserve and enhance the region's economy.*

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