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Trump Administration proposes to eliminate funding for Great Lakes restoration
The FY2018 budget proposal that the Trump Administration released on March 16, 2017 eliminates funding for the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (GLRI), which was authorized by the US Congress in 2016 at $300 million per year for five years. Previous information suggested that the Administration would propose to cut funding for GLRI by 97%, from $300 million to $10 million, but the Administration later decided to eliminate funding for GLRI entirely. In addition, the Office of Management and Budget has distributed a proposed list of nearly $18 billion in federal budget cuts for FY2017 that would reduce funding for GLRI in the current year (FY2017) by $50 million (from $300 million to $250 million). 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
**US and Canada are developing management strategies for all “round 1” chemicals of mutual concern**

U.S. EPA and Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) are developing and preparing to implement binational management strategies for substances identified as “round 1” chemicals of mutual concern (CMCs). Round 1 CMCs include hexabromocyclododecane (HBCD), long-chain perfluorinated carboxylic acids (LC-PFCAs), mercury, perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA), perfluorooctane sulfonate (PFOS), polybrominated diphenyl ethers (PBDEs), polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), and short-chain chlorinated paraffins (SCCPs). Management strategies may include new chemical regulations, pollution prevention programs, research, monitoring, and/or surveillance. [Read more.](#)

**New industry initiative will explore regional sustainability**

CGLI will launch a new initiative this year that will enable industry to develop a regional sustainability strategy for the Great Lakes region. The strategy may consist of a framework, set of principles, suite of metrics, general guidelines, or some other mechanism that embodies principles of sustainability specific to the Great Lakes region. [Read more.](#)

**CGLI and Limnotech convene a session for industry at IAGLR 2017**

CGLI and LimnoTech, an Ann Arbor-based consulting and engineering firm that specializes in innovative water quality assessment, modeling, and management, worked together to convene an industry-focused session at the upcoming International Association of Great Lakes Researchers Conference (May 16-19, Detroit, MI). The session, which is scheduled for Friday, May 19, includes presentations designed to illustrate how industry intersects with the Great Lakes, industry’s unique data needs in the Great Lakes region, and recent monitoring data or research collected by industry that might further our understanding of the Great Lakes ecosystem. [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. CGLI extends your company’s public policy capability by keeping on top of developments in Great Lakes policy and advancing the common interests of industry in the region. CGLI also engages in projects and initiatives that promote economic vitality and illustrate industry’s commitment to water stewardship and Great Lakes protection and restoration. Contact us today to learn more about membership in CGLI. Non-member subscriptions to CGLI’s Chemical Management Work Group also are available. Information about membership in CGLI is available here.

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