

St. Marys River Binational Public Advisory Council (BPAC) Meeting Agenda

Place: CC 202, Essar Convergence Centre, Algoma University
Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario

When: January 22, 2015
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

1. Call to order/introductions

2. Approval of Last Meetings Minutes

- December 2, 2014

3. Business arising from previous minutes

- The Canadian Delisting Criteria have made it through the last round of edits. Corrina has compiled the BPACs feedback on the Survey Monkey Poll, and is currently working with the Implementation Committee to answer all of the proposed questions / revisions. The document will be shared with the BPAC at the February meeting.
- BPAC feedback on Addendum to U.S. Fish and Wildlife Restoration Plan.

4. Presentations

- Hans Biberhofer (EC) will be making a presentation to BPAC that summarizes the results from a 2-year study on sedimentation rate, transport and stability of sediment within the east of Bellevue Marine Park study area. The study results and other information will help EC and MOECC identify sediment management options, which will be assessed with BPAC and community input.

5. Office Reports

- Carrie and Corrina applied for additional year of GLSF funding to keep RAP Office open at Algoma U. Thank you to the BPAC Executive for providing a Letter of Support!
- Corrina, Carrie, and Angela will be hosting a **St. Marys Night** at Algoma University on February 11th, 2015. The night will include a showing of the 2009 documentary “WATERLIFE – The Epic Journey of Our Water”, some updates on current RAP initiatives, and some rounds of ‘Dripial Pursuit’. The event is free to attend, includes prizes and snacks, and starts at 7:00 pm. We encourage everyone to come on out!

6. Agency Updates

- EC asking for BPAC endorsement of Bird and Animals Deformities / Reproductive BUI (on the Canadian Side) redesignation from “Requires Further Assessment” to “Not impaired”.
- MDEQ asking for confirmation that the amended Fish and Wildlife Restoration Plan is to BPACs satisfaction and can be finalized as worded.

7. Memberships

- For new members, applications must be received & prospective members present for confirmation – standard procedure.

8. New Business

9. Public Comments

10. Next Meeting

- Date in February to be determined. Doodle Poll has been shared with the BPAC, results expected soon.

11. Adjourn