

# Great Lakes Restoration Initiative – Lake Erie Synthesis & Coordination Team

## Ohio Forum #1 – Taking Stock of GLRI in Ohio

Lorain County Agricultural Center- OSU Extension Office - November 10, 2010

**Purpose:** To introduce the Synthesis Team and to create awareness of GLRI projects funded in 2010. The intent is to briefly review projects funded in Ohio by GLRI activities that are getting underway. We would discuss the purpose of the Synthesis Project, discuss proposed actions and reporting and initiate a discussion on gaps, needs and possible new projects for proposals in 2011.

### Agenda:

**9:00 – Registration**

**9:30 – Opening Remarks/Welcome**

**9:45 – Overview of Synthesis Project**

What it is and what it is to achieve?

Role of Synthesis Team

Suggested Roles for GLRI Grantees and Areas for Cooperation

**10:15 – Overview of Projects Funded** (5 min each on project goals, participants, future direction)

**Toxins and Areas of Concern Focus Area** (10:15-10:40)

- Cuyahoga County Engineer's Office – Riparian Habitat Restoration Phase I (Stan Kosilesky)
- City of Toledo – Scrap Yard Pollution Prevention (Marc Gerdeman)
- U of Toledo – Biosolids Application (Kevin Czajkowski)
- NEORS – Dental Amalgam Separators (Kathryn Crestani)

**Invasive Species** (10:40-10:55)

- The Nature Conservancy – *Phragmites* Control (James Cole)
- The Nature Conservancy – Invasive Plant Prevention & Control/Grand River (Karen Adair)

**10:55 – 11:04 Break**

**11:05 - Outlook for GLRI 2011** - Dan O'Riordan, USEPA GLNPO

**11:20 – Overview of Projects Funded** (5 min each on project goals, participants, future direction) (Continued)

**Habitat & Wildlife Protection/Restoration** (11:20-12:05)

- Partners for Clean Steams – Restoring Ottawa River Wetlands/Habitat (unable to attend)
- The Nature Conservancy – Wet Prairie Restoration in Maumee AOC (Steven Woods)
- 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 (Douglas Pearsall)
- 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)
- OEPA – Ashtabula River AOC Habitat Restoration (Gail Hesse)

### **Nearshore Health & Nonpoint Source Pollution (12:05-12:30)**

- NEORS – Predictive Urban Beach Models (Mark Citriglia)
- NEORS- 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 ( )
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**12:30– Lunch** – Light Buffet Lunch Available (\$5)

### **1:00 – Overview of Projects Funded** (Cont)

#### **Nearshore Health & Nonpoint Source Pollution** (Continued) (1:00-1:45)

- Huron County SWCD – Sediment Reduction Project (Cary Brickner)
- OEPA – Ottawa River (Lima) TMDL (Gail Hesse)
- OEPA - Cuyahoga County Surface Water Improvement Fund (Russ Gibson)
- OLEC – Toledo Harbor Sediment Management and Reuse (Ed Hammett)
- OEPA – P Reduction Variable Rate Technology Program (Gail Hesse)
- ODH – Improving Communication About Ohio Water Quality (Mary Clifton)
- ODH – Sanitary Surveys to Reduce Pollution in Lake Erie (Mary Clifton)
- Buffalo State College - Nearshore and Offshore Nutrient Study (Darren Bade)

#### **Accountability, Evaluation, Monitoring, Communication & Partnerships** (1:45-2:00)

- OEPA - Comprehensive Nearshore Monitoring Program (Gail Hesse)
- OLEC – Lake Erie Synthesis & Coordination Team (Ed Hammett/Jeff Reutter)

#### **Multi State Sea Grant Projects** (2:00-2:15) – Jeff Reutter, Ohio Sea Grant Program

- A Comprehensive Regional Public Outreach Campaign on AIS (U.MN) (Dave Kelch)
- Undo the Great Lakes Chemical Brew; Proper PPCP Disposal (PSU) (Dave Kelch)
- Green Marina Outreach & Education Project (U.MI) (Jill Jentes)
- GLOS Adaptive Management Needs Assessment (GLOS, Inc.) (Frank Lichtkoppler)
- Erie Marsh Preserve Coastal Wetland Restoration) (TNC-MI) (Eugene Braig)

### **2:15- 2:29 - Break**

### **2:30 – Discussion of GLRI Project Needs and Opportunities**

Purpose is to encourage interaction between projects in each focus area

- Evaluate opportunities for cooperation between funded projects
- Identify support needs from Synthesis Team
- Discuss additional project needs and potential partners for FY 2011
- What can the Synthesis Team do to assist in your project (example: create uniform fact sheet templates)?
- What are your worries or concerns about the Synthesis Project?
- What are the common administrative or process issues for GLRI (example: GLAS reporting)?
- What are *your* preferred networking media (listserv, Facebook, etc.)?
- What are the opportunities for cooperation among the awarded projects?

### **3:45 –Report Out & Wrap-Up**

### **4:15 – Adjourn**