

Twelfth Meeting of the Mississippi River/Gulf of Mexico Watershed Nutrient Task Force

Doubletree Hotel Downtown Memphis
185 Union Avenue, Memphis, Tennessee

December 1, 2005

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Agenda

Meeting Goals:

1. Provide an update and discuss recent activities and progress on achieving the goals contained in the current *Action Plan*;
 2. Continue to develop methods for measuring progress for reaching the goals of the *Action Plan*;
 3. Agree on appropriate actions and timeline for reassessing the *Action Plan*; and
 4. Adopt a workplan for 2006.
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Thursday, December 1, 2005: Public Meeting

8:00 Registration at the Doubletree Hotel Downtown Memphis

8:30 Welcome, Introductions, Report out on Executive Session of the Task Force, Opening Comments by Task Force Members

- Brent Fewell, Deputy Assistant Administrator for Water, US EPA
- John McClurkan, Tennessee Department of Agriculture
- All Task Force Members

9:00 Current State of Hypoxia in the Gulf, 2005: *Dr. Nancy Rabalais, LUMCON*

Sub-basin Teams—Status

9:40 Upper Mississippi: *Dean Lemke, IDALS*

9:55 Ohio: *John Kessler, Ohio DNR*

10:10 Lower Mississippi: *Dugan Sabins, LA DEQ*

10:25 Break

Reassessment of the 2001 Action Plan

10:45 Reassessment Plan and Schedule: *Diane Regas, EPA*

11:05 Basin and Gulf Symposia

- Report out on the Upper Basin Symposium: *Dean Lemke, IDALS*
- Planning for the Gulf Symposium: *Rick Greene, EPA* and *Rob Magnien, NOAA*
- Planning for the Lower Basin Symposium: *Dugan Sabins, LA DEQ*

12:00 Lunch—on your own

1:15 Update from the Science Reassessment Team: *Rob Magnien, NOAA* and *Herb Buxton, USGS*

1:25 Update from the Management Action Reassessment Team: *Katie Flahive, EPA* and *Mike Sullivan, USDA*

1:35 EPA SAB Charge: *Darrell Brown, EPA* and *Dennis McKenna, IL DOA*

2:00 National Monitoring Network: *Herb Buxton, USGS*

2:20 Gulf Alliance Presentation

2:40 Break

3:00 Public Comments

3:50 Task Force Discussion and Decision

- Annual Plan
- Reassessment

4:15 Closing Comments by Task Force Members

4:30 Adjourn