



2024 ANNUAL MEETING

Tom Ridge Environmental Center

301 Peninsula Drive

Erie, PA 16505

September 24 - 25, 2024

DAY 1 – September 24, 2024		
8:00 AM EDT/ 7:00 AM CDT	CHECK-IN	
8:30 AM EDT/ 7:30 AM CDT	Welcome Opening Remarks	LTC Robert Burnham, USACE Buffalo District Commander (tentative) Dan Breneman, Minnesota PCA
8:45 AM EDT/ 7:45 AM CDT	INTRODUCTIONS	Everyone
9:15 AM EDT/ 8:15 AM CDT	Member updates – Dredging, Dredged Material Management, and related projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Illinois - Indiana - Michigan - Minnesota - New York - Ohio - Pennsylvania - Wisconsin 	Agency representatives (one slide each)
10:15 AM EDT/ 9:15 AM CDT	Great Lakes Commission Update	Tom Crane and Eric Brown, GLC
10:30 AM EDT/ 9:30 AM CDT	BREAK	
10:45 AM EDT/ 9:45 AM CDT	Federal Agency Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - US Environmental Protection Agency – Great Lakes National Program Office - US Army Corps of Engineers - Buffalo District - US Army Corps of Engineers - Chicago District - US Army Corps of Engineers - Detroit District - US Army Corps of Engineers – Engineer Research and Development Center - National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration 	Agency representatives (one slide each)
11:45 AM EDT/ 10:45 AM CDT	LUNCH BREAK (group lunch, provided for a fee)	Lunch cost ~ \$10 - \$15 per person
1:00 PM EDT/ 12:00 PM CDT to <i>approximately</i> 4:30 PM EDT / 3:30 PM CDT	PFAS roundtable discussion: How may the emerging federal and state regulatory frameworks affect dredged material management and Port maintenance? <u>State perspectives – concerns, actions and regulations</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Michigan - Wisconsin - Minnesota - Illinois - Indiana - Ohio - Pennsylvania - New York Federal perspective <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - USEPA (Great Lakes Nat'l Prgm office, Office of Research and Development) - USACE HQ - USACE ERDC - USACE Great Lakes navigation representative Industry perspective <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - American Great Lakes Ports Association Discussion - all	Agency representatives Facilitator: Karen Keil (USACE ERDC) Additional details on next page
5:00 PM EDT	Optional: No-host Social Gathering in Erie PA	Location: TBA



9/24/2024 - PFAS Roundtable Discussion

Detailed Agenda

1:00 PM EDT / 12:00 PM CDT **Introductions: Names and agency affiliations**

1:10 PM EDT / 12:10 PM CDT **Perspectives from the states:**

Each of the 8 Great Lakes states will summarize their state's perspective.

- Is your state taking any actions to address PFAS contamination in your state?
- If so, what are these actions? (e.g., state-wide task force, investigations, remediations and/or enforcement actions, development of regulations, process for considering "background" or ambient concentrations, development of standardized testing methods, communication plans for public awareness, etc.)
- Would these actions apply to sediments dredged from federal navigation channels?

2:10 PM EDT / 1:10 PM CDT **BREAK**

2:20 PM EDT / 1:20 PM CDT **Perspective from the federal government:**

Each USEPA and USACE representative will summarize their efforts or concerns.

US Environmental Protection Agency

- USEPA Great Lakes National Program Office perspective (*invited*)
- Office of Research and Development evaluations

US Army Corps of Engineers

- USACE headquarters directives
- Research and development center (ERDC) evaluations
- USACE Great Lakes navigation perspective

2:55 PM EDT / 1:55 PM CDT **Perspective from industry**

What are Great Lakes industry (American Great Lakes Ports Authorities) concerns regarding PFAS?

3:05 PM EDT / 2:05 PM CDT **BREAK**

3:15 PM EDT / 2:15 PM CDT **Open discussion**

How may federal and state regulations affect dredged material management and Port maintenance / development?

~ 4:30 PM EDT / 3:30 PM CDT **Adjourn**



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DAY 2 – September 25, 2025

8:30 AM EDT/ 7:30 AM CDT	Reconvene GLDT Meeting Day 1 Recap and Housekeeping	Karen Keil, USACE ERDC Dan Breneman, MPCA
8:40 AM EDT/ 7:40 AM CDT	Update on GLDT structure and future In lieu of committee meetings. Update organizing committee membership, discuss future of group: activities, goals, funding, number of meetings/webinars	All participants
9:10 AM EDT/ 8:10 AM CDT	2024 Navigation Budget Update, Outlook for 2025	Nick Zager, USACE Detroit District
9:45 AM EDT/ 8:45 AM CDT	USACE headquarters updates	Kate Skelton and/or Katie Brutsché, USACE HQ
10:15 AM EDT/ 9:15 AM CDT	BREAK	
10:30 AM EDT/ 9:30 AM CDT	Coastal Resiliency Study update	Joe Miller – USACE Chicago District
11:00 AM EDT/ 10:00 AM CDT	Documenting the Environmental Improvements in Sediment Quality Due to Navigational Maintenance Dredging in the Great Lakes	Jen Miller, USACE ERDC
11:30 AM EDT/ 10:30 AM CDT	Long term evaluation of turbidity and sediment transport at the Fairport Harbor nearshore nourishment placement site	Jim Selegean, USACE Detroit District
12:00 PM EDT/ 11:00 AM CDT	LUNCH BREAK (group lunch, provided for a fee)	Lunch cost ~ \$10 - \$15 per person
12:30 PM EDT 11:30 AM CDT	Conneaut sediment management	Agency representatives, City of Conneaut
1:40 PM EDT/ 12:40 PM CDT	Closing remarks/ Adjourn	Co-chairs
1:45 PM EDT to approximately 3:45 PM EDT	OPTIONAL Leave for field trip to Conneaut sediment management facility <i>Please wear closed toed shoes and long pants</i>	Participants will drive (carpool) to Conneaut. City of Conneaut will provide transportation onto the sediment management facility.