



Great Lakes-St. Lawrence  
Legislative Caucus

**#2020GLLC Virtual Meeting**

September 11, 2020

9 am CDT/10 am EDT

*Senator Ed Charbonneau (Indiana), GLLC Chair, Presiding*

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**Housekeeping, Welcome, and Introductions (3)**

**Featured Presentation: Four Years After Flint – Assuring Access to Safe, Affordable Drinking Water (45)**

*Four years after discovering that the children of Flint, Michigan, were being poisoned by lead in their drinking water, pediatrician **Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha** is researching what the long-term health effects are on those children. Attendees will hear from Dr. Hanna-Attisha about her research and what the implications might be for state and provincial policies to assist children and their families. In addition, **Elin Betanzo** of Safe Water Engineering will share information on how states and provinces are acting on the lessons learned from Flint to develop policies and to make critical investments to assure that their citizens have access to clean, safe, affordable drinking water. This session will examine what more needs to be done to reduce the population's exposure to lead in drinking water — and how GLLC members can help.*

**GLLC Business Session (10)**

- Chair' Report (5)
- Report from the Task Force on Lead (5)

**Announcements (2)**

**Adjourn**



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September 21, 2020

9 – 10:15 am CDT/10 – 11:15 am EDT

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**Housekeeping, Welcome, and Introductions (3)**

**Featured Topic: Meeting Binational Goals – Improving the Management of Nutrients in the Region (40)**

*In 2019, the GLLC selected the problem of nutrient pollution as the focus for the inaugural Patricia Birkholz Institute for Great Lakes-St. Lawrence Policy. The Caucus's Task Force on Nutrient Management leads the organization's efforts to take coordinated regional action to reduce the incidence of polluted runoff that carries excess nutrients into the Great Lakes and other waterbodies. Wisconsin Sen. André Jacque, chair of the task force, will report on the model policies recommended by the task force and plans for action in 2021. Following the task force's report, Santina Wortman of the EPA Great Lakes National Program Office will present on the binational progress that Canada and the U.S. are making to achieve the goals for managing nutrients that were established under the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement.*

**Questions/Answers and Discussion (15)**

**GLLC Business Session (15)**

- Chair's Report (7) – *Sen. Ed Charbonneau*
- Selection of the Birkholz Institute Focus for 2021 (8) – *Lisa Janairo, CSG Midwest/GLLC*

**Announcements (2)**

**Adjourn**



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**#2020GLLC Virtual Meeting**

October 2, 2020

9 – 10:15 am CDT/10 – 11:15 am EDT

*Sen. Ed Charbonneau (Indiana), GLLC Chair, Presiding*

**A G E N D A**

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**Welcome and Introductions (3)**

**Featured Presentation: Responding to the Contamination of Drinking Water with PFAS (25)**

*Michigan is ground zero for the emerging issue of PFAS contamination, which now has been shown to affect all eight states and both provinces in the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River Region. During this session, GLLC members will hear from **Liesl Eichler Clark**, Director of the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy, about the potential and real harm caused by these “forever chemicals” – and what the state of Michigan is doing to address the problem.*

**Questions/Answers and Discussion (10)**

**GLLC Business Session: State and Provincial Roundtable (35)**

**Announcements (2)**

**Adjourn**



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**#2020GLLC Virtual Meeting**

October 9, 2020

9 – 10:30 am CDT/10 – 11:30 am EDT

*Sen. Ed Charbonneau (Indiana), GLLC Chair, Presiding*

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**AGENDA**

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**Welcome and Introductions (2)**

**Featured Presentations (55)**

*The GLLC welcomes the opportunity to work with other organizations in the Great Lakes and St. Lawrence River region to advanced shared priorities. This final installment of the GLLC's 2020 Virtual Meetings will feature information on coastal resiliency, meeting the needs of Great Lakes municipalities, and the work of the region's governors and premiers to promote environmentally sustainable economic growth.*

**Building a Resilient Great Lakes Basin (15)**

*Erika Jensen, Interim Executive Director, and Eric Brown, Senior Advisor for External Relations  
Great Lakes Commission*

**Meeting the Needs of Coastal Communities (15)**

*Matthew Doss, U.S. Policy Advisor, and Eamonn Horan-Lunney, Director,  
Great Lakes and St. Lawrence Cities Initiative*

**Great Lakes Impact Investment Platform (15)**

*Mike Piskur, Program Manager, Great Lakes St. Lawrence Governors & Premiers*

**Questions/Answers and Discussion (10)**

**GLLC Business Session (30)**

- Election of GLLC Officers and Members of the Executive Committee (5) – *Sen. Ed Charbonneau*
- Resolutions (20) – *Rep. Robyn Gabel (Illinois), Vice Chair*
- Invitation to the 2021 Annual Meeting (5) – *MNA Gilles Bélanger (Québec)*

**Closing Remarks and Announcements (3)**

**Adjourn**



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