

**14th Task Force Meeting
AGENDA**

Embassy Suites Hotel New Orleans — Convention Center 315 Julia Street New Orleans, LA 70130

Goals of this meeting:

1. Review the first draft of EPA's Science Advisory Board (SAB) report and agree on the Task Force response
2. Agree on whether to develop Task Force resolutions on specific topics and plan the next steps
3. Receive and evaluate public comments on the reassessment progress and schedule

Public Meeting, Tuesday, June 12

- 8:00 Welcome and introductions of Task Force Members – Ben Grumbles, USEPA
Welcome from Louisiana Hosts – Len Bahr, Louisiana Governor's Office of Coastal Activities
- 8:30 SPARROW Model Initial Results – Bill Franz, USEPA
- 8:45 SAB Findings and Task Force discussion – Dr. Rick Greene, USEPA
- 9:15 Public Comments on the SAB report
- 9:45 Break
- 10:00 Task Force Discussion on SAB report
- 11:15 Task Force Resolutions to Address Emerging Issues – Craig Hooks, USEPA
- Wetland Loss and Water Diversions in Lower Basin
 - Rapid Changes in Agriculture Driven by Bio-fuels Demand
 - Support of Farm Bill measures aimed at reducing nutrient losses in the MRB watershed
 - Need for a Federal Integrated Budget for hypoxia
- 12:00 General Public Comments on the progress and content of the Reassessment
- 12:30 Task Force Closing Comments
- 12:45 Closing