Twelfth Meeting of the
Mississippi River/Gulf of Mexico Watershed Nutrient Task Force
Doubletree Hotel Downtown Memphis
185 Union Avenue
Memphis, Tennessee
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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

Thursday, December 1, 2004: Public Meeting
8:00    Registration at the Doubletree Hotel Downtown Memphis, continental breakfast

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