2019 Lake Committee Meetings

March 25-29, 2019
Ann Arbor Marriott Ypsilanti at Eagle Crest
Ypsilanti, Michigan
Monday, March 25th

1:00 pm  1. Opening remarks and introductions
        - Jeremy Price (*INDNR*) and Barry Weldon (*LRBOI*)

1:05 pm  2. Lake sturgeon rehabilitation efforts update
        - Rob Elliott (*USFWS*)

1:25 pm  3. Recent trends for Lake Michigan lower trophic levels
        - Steve Pothoven (*NOAA*)

1:50 pm  4. Status of Lake Michigan prey fish in 2018
        - Dave Warner (*USGS*)

2:15 pm  5. Status of lake trout restoration in Lake Michigan in 2018
        - Chuck Madenjian (*USGS*)

2:40 pm  6. Thiamine status of lake trout eggs in Lakes Huron & Michigan in
         2001-2017
        - Stephen Riley (*USGS*)

3:00 pm  BREAK

3:20 pm  7. Predator/prey ratio analysis and salmonid working group updates
        - Nick Legler (*WDNR*)

3:50 pm  8. Evaluation of piscivore diets in Lake Michigan and Huron
        - Brian Roth (*MSU*)

4:25 pm  9. Great Lakes mass marking program updates
        - Matt Kornis (*USFWS*)

5:00 pm  ADJOURN
Tuesday, March 26th

8:00 am  10. 2018 report on sea lamprey control in the Lake Michigan basin
            - Scott Grunder (USFWS)

8:20 am  11. Environmental principles & habitat priorities for sustainable Lake Michigan fisheries
            - Dave Clapp (MDNR)

8:35 am  12. Current status & investigations of smallmouth bass in northern Lake Michigan
            - Dave Clapp (MDNR)

8:55 am  13. Closing remarks
            - Jeremy Price (INDNR), Barry Weldon (LRBOI)

LAKE SUPERIOR COMMITTEE

9:05 am  1. Opening remarks and introductions
            - Seth Moore (GPB)

9:10 am  1. Impacts of stocked splake on lake trout and brook trout fisheries
            - Liz Tristano (WI Sea Grant)

9:40 am  2. Rediscovering a coaster brook trout population
            - Chris Adams (MTU)

10:00 am 3. Trends in the Lake Superior fish community, 1953-2018
            - Owen Gorman (USGS)
Tuesday, March 26th

10:20 am  BREAK

10:35 am  4. Prey fish status and trends  
- Mark Vinson (USGS)

11:00 am  5. Sea lamprey control in Lake Superior  
- Matt Symbal (USFWS)

11:15 am  6. Trends in yield of commercially important fish species in Lake Superior  
- Ben Michaels (GLIFWC)

11:35 am  7. Comparison of historical and contemporary cisco stocks in Lake Superior: Can historical yields be explained by contemporary recruitment abundance?  
- Ben Rook (USGS)

12:10 pm  LUNCH

1:40 pm  8. Lake Superior Fishing Agreement in Wisconsin Waters  
- Brad Ray (WDNR)

2:10 pm  9. USGS acoustic sled research  
- Dan Yule (USGS)

2:30 pm  10. Buffalo Reef acoustic telemetry project update  
- Ben Michaels (GLIFWC)

2:50 pm  11. Chemicals of emerging concern in the Lake Superior watershed  
- Seth Moore (GPB)

3:10 pm  BREAK
LAKE HURON COMMITTEE

3:30 pm  1. Opening remarks and introductions
        - Dave Borgeson (MDNR)

3:45 pm  2. Status of lower trophic food web
        - Lars Rudstam (Cornell U.)

4:10 pm  3. Status of offshore forage fishes
        - Stephen Riley (USGS)

4:30 pm  4. Sea lamprey control
        - Shawn Nowicki (USFWS)

5:00 pm  ADJOURN

Wednesday, March 27th

8:15 am  5. Status of cisco and the cisco reintroduction effort
        - Chris Olds (USFWS)

8:45 am  6. Status of lake whitefish
        - Erin Dunlop (OMNRF)

9:15 am  7. Status of lake trout
        - Steve Lenart (MDNR)

9:50 am  8. Status of introduced salmonines
        - Dave Borgeson (MDNR)

10:15 am BREAK

10:45 am 9. Nearshore fish communities
          - Dave Fielder (MDNR)
Wednesday, March 27th

10:55 am 10. Nearshore fish communities continued – status of Saginaw Bay walleye & yellow perch
             - Dave Fielder (MDNR)

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11:45 am 12. Nearshore fish communities continued - status of lake sturgeon
             - Justin Chiotti (USFWS)

12:15 pm LUNCH

1:15 pm 13. Nearshore fish communities, continued – status of walleye in Ontario waters of Lake Huron
             - Arunas Liskuaskas (OMNRF)

1:35 pm 14. Status of habitat in Lake Huron
             - Arunas Liskuaskas (OMNRF)

1:55 pm 15. St. Marys River larval fish survey
             - Ed Roseman (USGS)

2:20 pm 16. Species & genetic diversity in Lake Huron
             - Wendylee Stott (MSU-CESU)

2:45 pm 17. Lake Huron Committee question and answer
             - Ken LaCroix (OMNRF), Tom Gorenflo (CORA), Randy Claramunt (MDNR)

3:15 pm BREAK
### COMMON SESSION

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<td>2. Law enforcement and AIS</td>
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<td>3. Lower trophic levels and their importance to fishery managers</td>
<td>Tom Stewart (OMNRF – retired)</td>
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<td>4. Little Rapids restoration evaluation, St. Marys River</td>
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<td>5. PFAS detection and possible fishery impacts</td>
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<td>7. Grass carp risks and control through telemetry research</td>
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<td>8. Modeling insights about catch sampling etc.</td>
<td>Jim Bence (MSU)</td>
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<td>9. Frankenmuth Dam Evaluation</td>
<td>Justin Chiotti (USFWS)</td>
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<td>10. GLFC looking forward: infrastructure plan and sea lamprey control musings</td>
<td>Marc Gaden, Dale Burkett (GLFC)</td>
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Thursday, March 28th

10:00 am  1. Opening remarks and introductions  
           - Steve LaPan (NYSDEC)

10:10 am  2. Progress towards Fish Community Objectives  
           - Colin Lake (OMNRF)

10:15 am  3. Nearshore fish assessments  
           - Erin Brown (OMNRF)

10:35 am  4. American eel update  
           - Tom Pratt (DFO)

10:55 am  5. Management perspectives  
           - Steve LaPan (NYSDEC)

11:00 am  6. Progress toward Fish Community Objectives  
           - Chris Legard (NYSDEC)

11:05 am  7. Prey fish assessments  
           - Brian Weidel (USGS)

11:25 am  8. Chinook/coho/steelhead/Atlantic and brown trout  
           - Mike Connerton (NYSDEC)

11:45 am  9. Management perspectives  
           - Andy Todd (OMNRF)

12:00 pm  LUNCH

1:30 pm   10. Progress towards Fish Community Objectives  
           - Colin Lake (OMNRF)
1:35 pm  11. Lake trout restoration update  
          - Brian Lantry (USGS)

1:55 pm  12. Sea lamprey control report  
          - Bruce Morrison (DFO)

2:15 pm  13. Management perspectives  
          - Steve LaPan (NY SDEC)

2:20 pm  14. Lake Ontario food web dynamics  
          - Lars Rudstam (Cornell U.)

2:50 pm  BREAK

3:10 pm  15. What has acoustic telemetry taught us about bloater restoration 
          potential in Lake Ontario?  
          - Tim Johnson (OMNRF)

3:30 pm  16. Bloater and cisco restoration updates  
          - Jim McKenna (USGS)

3:50 pm  17. Migration and spatial ecology of Bay of Quinte-eastern Lake 
          Ontario walleye  
          - Erin Brown (OMNRF)

4:10 pm  18. New invader: tench update  
          - Colin Lake (OMNRF)

4:30 pm  19. LOC management summary  
          - Andy Todd (OMNRF), Steve LaPan (NYSDEC)

4:40 pm  AJOURN
Friday, March 29th

9:00 am  1. Opening remarks and introductions  
- Brian Locke (OMNRF)

9:05 am  2. STC update: LEPMAG and new Fish Community Objectives  
- Richard Drouin (OMNRF)

9:20 am  3. Walleye Task Group: status of walleye  
- Matt Faust (ODNR)

9:35 am  4. Yellow Perch Task Group: Status of yellow perch  
- Matt Faust (ODNR)

9:50 am  5. Stakeholder comments

10:00 am  BREAK

10:30 am  6. Coldwater Task Group: status of coldwater species  
- Jim Markham (NYSDEC)

10:45 am  7. Movement of lake whitefish  
- Richard Kraus (USGS)

11:00 am  8. Status of sea lamprey  
- Chris Eilers (USFWS)

11:15 am  9. Status of lower trophic level indicators  
- Eric Weimer (ODNR)

11:30 am  10. Status of forage fish  
- Eric Weimer (ODNR)

11:45 am  LUNCH
12:45 pm  11. TAC announcement  
           - Brian Locke (OMNRF)

1:00 pm    12. Habitat Task Group: priority management areas 
           - Cleyo Harris (MDNR)

1:15 pm    13. Ballville Dam 
           - Eric Weimer (ODNR)

1:30 pm    14. Maumee River lake sturgeon restoration 
           - Jim Boase (USFWS)

1:45 pm    15. Status of Lake St. Clair 
           - Todd Wills (MDNR)

2:00 pm    16. Lake Erie grass carp strategy 
           - Jim Francis (MDNR)

2:20 pm    ADJOURN
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