

Highlights of AOC Strategy Team Discussion of GLRC Subcommittee Feedback
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Subcommittee Proposed General Approach

- The full GLRC Strategic Plan will be completed, but the Executive Committee will not be asked to “endorse” all elements of it. It will be considered a “blueprint” for longer term action.
- There will be a near-term (1-2 year) action plan that is developed and which the Executive Committee will be asked to formally endorse.
- The Strategy Teams should complete their work in developing the longer term blueprint document by responding to public comments as appropriate.
- The Subcommittee will develop a recommendation for a management entity to oversee ongoing work of the GLRC Strategic Plan.
- The near term Action Plan will include F/S/L/T actions.

Subcommittee Proposal on AOC Recommendation #1- GLLA

- Fully fund GLLA to authorized level of \$54MM /year for next two years. [Includes \$3M for R&D]
- Amend GLLA to improve and streamline the cleanup process. [See appendix for details]

Strategy Team Reaction: Agree. Understanding is that we could ask for increase to authorization level to \$150 MM/year during GLLA reauthorization in 2007.

Subcommittee Proposal on AOC Recommendation #2- AOC Program Capacity

- Seek \$10 MM/year for states and local coordinating councils and \$1.7 MM/year for GLNPO to enhance capacity to:
 - Complete establishment of de-listing targets by 2008
 - Enhance technical capacity to develop and implement RAPs
 - Establish state specific cooperative agreements w/ EPA to manage program and implement cleanups

Strategy Team Reaction: Agree.

Subcommittee Proposal on AOC Recommendation #3- Federal/State/Local/Tribal Collaboration

- Need better portrayal of purpose of establishing new Federal-State Coordinating Committee by the end of 2006.

Strategy Team Reaction: Suggest expanding the participants and purpose of existing informal State-EPA RAP working group. Add additional federal agencies such as COE, NOAA, USFWS, etc. Develop a proposed charter to more formally recognize its charges, particularly for inter-agency coordination.

Subcommittee Proposal on AOC Recommendation #4- Treatment, Reuse and Disposal Options for Contaminated Sediments

- Subcommittee ?- Is there a need to identify near-term actions regarding CDFs?

Strategy Team Reaction: Not necessary.