



**International Joint Commission  
United States and Canada  
International St. Croix River Watershed Board**

45 Alderney Drive  
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September 24, 2010

Governor-elect Joseph Socobasin  
Motahkmikuk (Indian Township)  
Passamaquoddy Tribe  
P.O. Box 301  
Princeton, Maine 04668

Dear Governor-elect Socobasin:

We would like to take this opportunity to congratulate on your recent election and look forward to working with you and your administration in the St. Croix River Watershed.

The International St. Croix River Watershed Board is appointed by the International Joint Commission (IJC) to prevent and resolve disputes over the boundary waters of the St. Croix River, monitor the ecological health of these waters, and ensure that four dams (Forest City, Vanceboro, Grand Falls and Milltown) comply with the Commission's Orders of Approval. Information on the Board and the IJC is available at:

[http://www.ijc.org/conseil\\_board/st\\_croix\\_river/en/stcroix\\_home\\_accueil.html](http://www.ijc.org/conseil_board/st_croix_river/en/stcroix_home_accueil.html).

On June 9, 2010 the Board sent the Passamaquoddy Chiefs a proposal entitled "an Adaptive Plan for Managing Alewife in the St. Croix River Watershed". In follow-up e-mails, conversations, and meetings we offered to meet with the Passamaquoddy on the plan. We would like to convene a meeting between scientists who developed the plan and Passamaquoddy leaders and natural resources staff from the Motahkmikuk, Sipayik, and the St. Croix Schoodic Band in October. Please let us know if you and your staff would be available to meet. Ms. Barbara Blumeris, will be the point of contact for organizing this meeting. She can be reached at 978-318-8737 or by e-mail at [barbara.r.blumeris@usace.army.mil](mailto:barbara.r.blumeris@usace.army.mil).

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us at either 902-426-4053 (Canada) or 978-318-8220 (U.S.).

Sincerely,

Bill Appleby  
Canadian Co-Chair

Philip T. Feir  
Colonel, U.S. Army  
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John Dieffenbacher-Krall  
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March 03, 2011

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Dear Chief Socobasin:

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As we discussed during our recent meeting, we will brief the International Joint Commission (the Commission) on the Plan's status on April 14, 2011 in Washington, DC and would appreciate receiving your feedback on the Plan before then. In addition we will discuss with the Board and the Commission the possibility of including a tribal member on the Board itself. Board members are appointed by the Commission; they serve in their own personal and professional capacities and not as representatives of a government or agency. The Commission looks to the Board to assist them in facilitating solutions to transboundary water resource issues at the local level.

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