MINUTES
INTERNATIONAL JOINT COMMISSION
Executive Meeting
Traverse City, MI
July 25, 2019

The International Joint Commission met in Executive Session in Traverse City, Michigan, on July 25, 2019, from 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM, chaired by Jane Corwin.

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APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

1. Commissioners approved the agenda.

GREAT LAKESWATER QUALITY PROJECT WORK PLANS

2. Commissioners reviewed and approved the following projects for funding using FY 2019 U.S. funds and requested that mandated authorities responsible for Fish consumption advisories be kept informed at all stages of the HPAB work.

   A. Science Advisory Board – Comprehensive Science Plan for a Decadal Scale, Binational Program of Great Lakes Research; and,

   B. Health Professionals Advisory Board – Development of a Harmonized Fish Consumption Advisory Framework: The St. Lawrence River, A Case Study.

SHOAL LAKE

3. Commissioners received a background briefing the Shoal Lake correspondence with Governments and requested a more detailed follow up briefing on more recent activities relating to this file.

GRAND COUNCIL TREATY 3

4. Commissioners received a background briefing in preparation for a meeting Grand Council Treaty 3 leadership scheduled for August 15, 2019, on the margins of the International Rainy-Lake of the Woods Watershed Board and public meeting. Commissioners requested that Secretaries schedule an additional briefing on August 9, 2019, on the activities of the International Rainy-Lake of the Woods Watershed Board, and on GCT3 interests.

OTHER BUSINESS

5. Commissioner Discussion
Commissioners exchanged views on issues that might require additional attention in the next several years.
DECISIONS TAKEN VIA POLLING

International Lake Ontario-St. Lawrence River Board
On July 17, 2019, Commissioners approved a media release announcing the commission’s
decision to increase membership on the board by two people – one Canadian and one U.S. –
from municipalities on the lake and the river.

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Charles A. Lawson     Camille Mageau
Secretary     Secretary
U.S. Section     Canadian Section