



*A Partnership to Restore and Protect the Sound*

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**Long Island Sound Study Executive Steering Committee**  
**January 18, 2011 Meeting**

**Agenda Actions**

**Input on 2011 LISS budget priorities**

1. The ESC supported the Implementation Team's recommendations to the Management Committee on topics to be considered for "beyond base" funding.
  - a. Embayment monitoring
  - b. UCONN CLEAR 2010 land cover/impervious mapping update
  - c. Dredging
2. NYSDEC will request that the LISS two year funding provided in 2010 be considered as a base program request in the future.
3. NYSDEC identified three additional beyond base areas
  - a. GIS mapping support (submitted as supplement to base budget request)
  - b. Slow release fertilizer laws
    - i. This will be referred to the NPS and Watersheds Work group for action
  - c. Role of B vitamins on harmful algae blooms
    - i. This will be referred to the Science and Technical Advisory Committee for Action

**Status and timeline for LIS Action Agenda**

1. A concise, attractively formatted brochure will be prepared and distributed to the CAC for comment in advance of its March 10 meeting to discuss the Sound Vision actions. This brochure will be a communication tool to describe key Long Island Sound implementation actions.
2. The CAC will also be provided in advance of its March 10 meeting a list of specific priority action items, developed from existing summaries and work group input.
3. The LISS will develop an Action Agenda by summer 2011, with the level of approval (ESC, Policy Committee, Governors) to be decided. In developing the Action Agenda, LISS staff will consider a) the draft 2009 Agreement actions, b) on-going Management Conference consultation and input, and c) input from the CAC Sound Vision effort.

**Update on five state TMDL work group**

1. The five state/EPA TMDL work group will be asked to prepare a summary of progress in meeting the "6-month" task/charge given to it by the state Commissioners and EPA RAs. This will be circulated to the ESC for comment, and forwarded to the Commissioner/RAs as appropriate.

**Set next meeting**

1. The next ESC meeting will be 9:00-11:00 a.m. on April 13 via video/teleconference.

Attendees: NYSDEC, Jim Tierney, Chris Amato, Ron Entringer, Lorraine Holdridge, Dawn McReynolds, Sarah Deonarine, Karen Chytalo, James Gilmore, CTDEP: Betsey Wingfield, Paul Stacey, Brian Thompson, Mark Parker, Corinne Fitting, Kelly Streich, Rob Hust, EPA R1: Stephen Perkins, Lynne Hamjian, Johanna Hunter, Leah O'Neil, EPA R2: Kevin Bricke, EPA LISO: Mark Tedesco, CAC: Curt Johnson, Nancy Seligson