

- (f) investigating any subjects related to the Great Lakes Basin Ecosystem that the Parties may refer to the Commission;
- (g) consulting on a regular basis with the Public about issues related to the quality of the Waters of the Great Lakes, and about options for restoring and protecting these waters, while providing the Public with the opportunity to raise concerns, and tender advice and recommendations to the Commission and the Parties;
- (h) engaging with the Public to increase awareness of the inherent value of the Waters of the Great Lakes, of the issues related to the quality of these waters, and the benefit of taking individual and collective action to restore and protect these waters;
- (i) ensuring liaison and coordination among the institutions established under Article 8 and other institutions within the Commission's purview, such as Boards responsible to oversee Great Lakes water levels and air pollution matters;
- (j) coordinating with other binational or international institutions that address concerns relating to the Great Lakes Basin Ecosystem;
- (k) providing to the Parties, in consultation with the Boards established under Article 8, a triennial "Assessment of Progress Report" that includes:
  - (i) a review of the Progress Report of the Parties;
  - (ii) a summary of Public input on the Progress Report of the Parties;
  - (iii) an assessment of the extent to which programs and other measures are achieving the General and Specific Objectives of this Agreement;
  - (iv) consideration of the most recent State of the Lakes Report; and
  - (v) other advice and recommendations, as appropriate;