

In this context, it should be noted that the Governments of Canada and Ontario already place particular emphasis on land use planning as long-term protection against damages caused by high levels. They have recently cooperated in a survey of damages caused to shorelines by storm action superimposed upon recent high levels. The survey was restricted to the erodable portion of the Great Lakes shoreline from Port Severn on Georgian Bay to Gananoque on the easterly end of Lake Ontario. The report resulting from this survey stressed non-structural approaches, such as control of land use through zoning, and recommended that compatible land use regulations be developed. Canada and Ontario have begun a follow-up programme to implement these recommendations.

The Commission also recommended in the Report that the Governments improve the existing control works on the St. Marys River and provide for the construction of remedial works which are required to maintain the sport fishery in the St. Marys Rapids. The Governments recognize the need for maintenance of and improvements to the St. Marys control works and are keenly aware of the need to maintain and protect the sport fishery. A study of the existing control works is currently underway and consideration will be given in any proposed redevelopment plans on the Canadian side to carrying out measures necessary to maintain the fishery.

The Governments recognize that new bilateral institutional machinery under the aegis of the Commission, as suggested in the Report, may be needed to promote a fuller understanding of water resources in the Great Lakes System. They agree that every opportunity should be provided for public scrutiny and comment, and for the full participation of the Great Lakes