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Future Focus of the GLBTS: History of the GLBTS

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GLBTS 101

Philosophy

Governance

Mechanics





Philosophy

- Boundary Water Treaty of 1909
- Article II(a) of 1987 GLWQA
- Chapter 6 of IJC's Seventh Biennial Report
- Purpose and Principles of the GLBTS
- Virtual Elimination





Governance

- A beyond compliance voluntary multi-partnership effort
- Improves the assessment and expanded use of information
- Helps develop networks
- Acts as a catalyst
- Headlines Great Lakes toxic issues
- Champions voluntary actions by GL Stakeholders
- Provides opportunities for sectoral leadership
- Highlights the value of Pollution Prevention





Mechanics

Analytical Framework

Changes to Level 1 and Level 2 lists



