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To amend the Federal Water Pollution Control Act to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to publish lakewide management plans for the Great Lakes, and for other purposes.

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Mr. FINGERHUT (for himself, Mr. QUINN, Mr. STOKES, Ms. KAPTUR, Mr. YATES, Mr. LAFALCE, and Mr. BARCIA of Michigan) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Public Works and Transportation

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Great Lakes National
5 Program Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. LAKEWIDE MANAGEMENT PLANS.**

2 Paragraph (4) of section 118(c) of the Federal Water
3 Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1268(c)(4)) is amended
4 to read as follows:

5 “(4) LAKEWIDE MANAGEMENT PLANS.—

6 “(A) DEADLINES.—

7 “(i) LAKE MICHIGAN AND LAKE SUPE-
8 RIOR.—Not later than January 1, 1995,
9 the Administration shall publish in the
10 Federal Register the final Lakewide Man-
11 agement Plan for Lake Michigan and Lake
12 Superior.

13 “(ii) LAKE ERIE, LAKE HURON, AND
14 LAKE ONTARIO.—Not later than January
15 1, 1998, the Administrator shall publish in
16 the Federal Register proposed Lakewide
17 Management Plans for Lake Erie, Lake
18 Huron, and Lake Ontario.

19 “(B) CONTENTS.—Each Lakewide Man-
20 agement Plan shall be consistent with the re-
21 quirements of Annex 2 of the Great Lakes
22 Water Quality Agreement, and shall—

23 “(i) include an assessment of the envi-
24 ronmental condition of the lake, including
25 water and sediment quality and natural re-
26 sources;

1 “(ii) identify—

2 “(I) the pollutants that exceed
3 water or sediment quality standards
4 in the lake, describing the loadings of
5 the pollutants to the lake, including
6 conventional, non-conventional, and
7 toxic pollutants; and

8 “(II) the point and nonpoint
9 sources of the pollutants;

10 “(iii) provide a comprehensive protec-
11 tion plan recommending specific actions to
12 restore and maintain the chemical, phys-
13 ical, and biological integrity of the lake, in-
14 cluding—

15 “(I) the specific measures to pro-
16 tect and maintain high quality waters;
17 and

18 “(II) an identification of the re-
19 duction in loadings of pollutants iden-
20 tified in clause (ii) to ensure the res-
21 toration and attainment of water and
22 sediment quality standards, and the
23 protection and propagation of a bal-
24 anced indigenous population of fish,

1 shellfish, and wildlife and recreation
2 in and on the water; and

3 “(iv) provide a schedule for imple-
4 menting recommended actions, including
5 the identification of the agencies and
6 sources responsible for implementing the
7 loading reductions, and the funding
8 sources to support the implementation.

9 “(C) COOPERATION.—Each Lakewide
10 Management Plan shall be developed in co-
11 operation with—

12 “(i) the State or States bordering the
13 lake, including the public in the State or
14 States;

15 “(ii) appropriate representatives of
16 Canada; and

17 “(iii) the Great Lakes Policy Commit-
18 tee.”.

19 **SEC. 3. SEDIMENT CLEANUP.**

20 (a) REMOVAL OF TOXIC POLLUTANTS.—Section
21 118(c)(7) of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33
22 U.S.C. 1268(c)(7)) is amended by adding at the end the
23 following new subparagraphs:

24 “(D) FULL SCALE DEMONSTRATION
25 PROJECTS.—

1 “(i) IN GENERAL.—The Program Of-
2 fice shall conduct 5 full scale demonstra-
3 tion projects of promising technologies to
4 remedy contaminated sediments at such
5 sites as the Program Office determines are
6 appropriate.

7 “(ii) SELECTION OF SITES.—In select-
8 ing sites for the demonstration projects,
9 the Program Office shall give priority con-
10 sideration to the sites referred to in sub-
11 paragraph (A).

12 “(iii) DEADLINES.—The Program Of-
13 fice shall—

14 “(I) not later than December 31,
15 1995, complete engineering plans for
16 the full scale demonstration projects
17 to be conducted under this subpara-
18 graph; and

19 “(II) not later than December
20 31, 2000, complete the full scale dem-
21 onstration projects to be conducted
22 under this subparagraph.

23 “(E) ASSESSMENTS AND PILOT SCALE
24 DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS.—

25 “(i) ASSESSMENTS.—

1 “(I) IN GENERAL.—The Program
2 Office shall conduct chemical, phys-
3 ical, and biological assessments of
4 contaminated sediments at each area
5 of concern.

6 “(II) RECOMMENDATIONS.—
7 Bases on the assessments, the Pro-
8 gram Office shall make recommenda-
9 tions on technologies to remedy con-
10 taminated sediments at each such
11 area.

12 “(III) USE OF PREVIOUS FIND-
13 INGS.—In conducting the assess-
14 ments, the Program Office shall incor-
15 porate previous findings which are rel-
16 evant to the assessments and avoid
17 duplication of previous or ongoing ef-
18 forts.

19 “(ii) PILOT SCALE DEMONSTRATION
20 PROJECTS.—If, after conducting assess-
21 ments under clause (i), the Program Office
22 does not have sufficient information to
23 make recommendations on technologies to
24 remedy contaminated sediments at an area
25 of concern, the Program Office shall obtain

1 such information by conducting a pilot
2 scale demonstration project of promising
3 technologies to remedy contaminated sedi-
4 ments at the area of concern.

5 “(iii) DEADLINES.—The Program Of-
6 fice shall—

7 “(I) not later than December 31,
8 1999, complete assessments of con-
9 taminated sediments to be conducted
10 under clause (i);

11 “(II) not later than December
12 31, 1999, transmit to Congress (as
13 part of a comprehensive report re-
14 quired by paragraph (10)) rec-
15 ommendations made under clause (i)
16 on technologies to remedy contami-
17 nated sediments for those areas of
18 concern for which the Program Office
19 has sufficient information to make the
20 recommendations and a description of
21 pilot scale demonstration projects to
22 be conducted under clause (ii), includ-
23 ing the locations of such projects and
24 engineering plans for such projects;
25 and

1 “(III) not later than December
2 31, 2001, complete all pilot scale dem-
3 onstration projects to be conducted
4 under clause (ii) and transmit to Con-
5 gress (as part of a comprehensive re-
6 port required by paragraph (10)) a
7 final report containing findings on ac-
8 tivities conducted under this subpara-
9 graph and recommendations for reme-
10 diation of contaminated sediments at
11 each area of concern.

12 “(F) DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION
13 AND COORDINATION.—The Program Office
14 shall assist in and promote the dissemination of
15 information on technologies to remedy contami-
16 nated sediments at areas of concern, including
17 the dissemination of such information to Fed-
18 eral departments and agencies.”.

19 (b) CONFORMING AND TECHNICAL AMENDMENTS.—
20 Section 118(c) of such Act (33 U.S.C. 1268(c)) is amend-
21 ed—

22 (1) in the heading to paragraph (6), by striking
23 “5-YEAR PLAN AND PROGRAM” and inserting “PLAN
24 AND PROGRAM”;

1 (2) in the heading to paragraph (7), by striking
2 “5-YEAR STUDY AND DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS”
3 and inserting “STUDY AND DEMONSTRATION
4 PROJECTS”; and

5 (3) in paragraph (7)—

6 (A) by striking “(A)” and inserting “(A)
7 5-YEAR STUDY.—”;

8 (B) by indenting subparagraph (A) and
9 aligning subparagraph (A) with subparagraph
10 (B);

11 (C) by striking “(B)” and inserting “(B)
12 DEADLINES FOR DEMONSTRATION PROJECTS.—
13 ”;

14 (D) by striking “(C)” and inserting “(C)
15 PUBLICATION OF INFORMATION.—”.

16 **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

17 Subsection (h) of section 118 of the Federal Water
18 Pollution Control Act (33 U.S.C. 1268(h)) is amended to
19 read as follows:

20 “(h) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
21 is authorized to be appropriated for activities of the Pro-
22 gram Office \$30,000,000 per fiscal year for each of fiscal
23 years 1994 through 2000. Such sums shall remain avail-
24 able until expended.”.

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