

SUMMARY: The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is seeking nominations from a diverse range of qualified candidates who desire to serve as members of EPA's Great Lakes Advisory Board (GLAB). The GLAB is chartered to provide advice and recommendations to the EPA Administrator, through the Great Lakes National Program Manager, on matters related to the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative and on domestic matters related to the implementation of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement between the U.S. and Canada. It is anticipated that GLAB members will be selected by the summer of 2019.

DATES: Nominations must be dated March 25, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Submit nominations electronically with the subject line "GLAB Nomination 2019" to Barnes.Edlynzia@epa.gov. You may also submit nominations by regular mail to: Edlynzia Barnes, Designated Federal Officer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Great Lakes National Program Office, 77 W Jackson Boulevard, (G-9J) Chicago, Illinois 60604.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Edlynzia Barnes, Designated Federal Officer, Great Lakes National Program Office, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 77 W Jackson Boulevard, (G-9J) Chicago, IL; telephone number: 312-886-6249; email address: Barnes.Edlynzia@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background: The GLAB has been re-established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) of 1972 (5 U.S.C., Appendix 2, as amended) and 41 CFR 102-3.50(d). The Advisory Board will provide advice and recommendations on matters related to the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative. The Advisory Board will also advise on domestic matters related to implementation of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement between the U.S. and Canada.

The major objectives will be to provide advice and recommendations on:

- a. Great Lakes protection and restoration activities;
- b. Long term goals, objectives, and priorities for Great Lakes protection and restoration; and
- c. Other issues identified by the Great Lakes Interagency Task Force/Regional Working Group.

The GLAB is expected to meet in person or by electronic means (*e.g.*, telephone, videoconference, webcast, etc.) approximately two (2) times per year, or as otherwise needed and approved by the Designated Federal

Officer. In-person meetings will be held in the Great Lakes region.

Nominations: The GLAB will be composed of approximately fifteen (15) members who will serve as representative members of non-federal interests. In selecting members, EPA will consider candidates representing a broad range of Great Lakes stakeholders, including, but not limited to: Environmental groups; agricultural groups; industry and/or business groups; citizen groups; environmental justice groups; foundations; academia; and state, local and tribal governments. In selecting members, EPA will consider the differing perspectives and breadth of collective experience needed to address the GLAB's charter. Other criteria used to evaluate nominees will include:

- Experience with Great Lakes issues;
- Leadership and consensus-building experience in Great Lakes organizations, businesses, and workgroups;
- Membership in professional societies involved with Great Lakes issues;
- Academic leadership and expertise;
- Community leadership; and
- Representation of multiple constituencies within the Great Lakes basin.

In accordance with the October 31, 2017 EPA Administrator's Memo entitled *Strengthening and Improving Membership on EPA Federal Advisory Committees*, and to ensure the independence and integrity of Federal Advisory Committee members, no member of an EPA Federal Advisory Committee shall receive EPA grants, either as principal investigator or co-investigator. Nominees to the GLAB shall describe their EPA funding history and past, current, or planned activities as principle or co-principle investigators of EPA grants. [Note: This restriction and the related requirement to provide funding history and a description of activities does not apply to employees of state, tribal or local government agencies which have been recipients of EPA grants.]

The EPA welcomes and values diversity. To obtain nominations of diverse candidates, the agency encourages nominations of women and men of all racial and ethnic groups. All nominations with be fully considered, but applicants shall be aware of EPA's specific membership goals and criteria as outlined above.

How to Submit Nominations: Any interested person or organization may nominate qualified persons to be considered for appointment to the GLAB. Individuals may self-nominate. Nominations can be submitted in electronic format (preferred) or in hard

copy format (see **ADDRESSES** section above). To be considered, nominations should include:

- Current contact information for the nominee, including the nominee's name, organization (and position within that organization), current business address, email address and daytime phone number;
- A brief statement describing the nominee's interest in serving on the GLAB;
- A resume and a short biography (no more than two paragraphs) describing the professional and educational qualifications of the nominee, including a list of relevant activities and any current or previous service on federal advisory committees; and
- A description of the nominee's EPA grant funding history including current EPA grant activities if applicable. If this does not apply to the nominee, please provide a brief statement indicating so.
- *Optional:* Letter(s) of recommendation from a third party supporting the nomination. Letter(s) should describe how the nominee's experience and knowledge will bring value to the work of the GLAB.

To help the Agency evaluate the effectiveness of its outreach efforts, nominees are requested to use their submission packages to identify how they became aware of this request for nominations.

Dated: February 7, 2019.

Cathy Stepp,

Regional Administrator, Great Lakes National Program Manager.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Notice of Proposed Good Samaritan Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Removal Action for the Corona/Twin Peaks Mine Site, Napa County, California

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice of proposed settlement; request for public comment.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended ("CERCLA"), notice is hereby given that the Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA"), has entered into a proposed settlement, embodied in an administrative Good Samaritan

Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Removal Action (“Settlement Agreement”), with Tuleyome. Under the Settlement Agreement, Tuleyome agrees to carry out a removal action that will include pilot studies to assess the effectiveness of various chemical amendments to address discharges from the Corona drainage tunnel, mine waste consolidation, and revegetation. The work will also include improvements to the existing infiltration trenches and construction of other surface water runoff controls.

DATES: Comments must be received on or before March 25, 2019.

ADDRESSES: The Settlement Agreement is available for public inspection at the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Superfund Records Center, 75 Hawthorne Street, Room 3110, San Francisco, California 94105. Telephone: 415-947-8717. Comments should be addressed to Larry Bradfish, Assistant Regional Counsel, Office of Regional Counsel (ORC-3), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105; or Email: bradfish.larry@epa.gov; and should reference the Corona Mine/Twin Peaks Mine Site, EPA R9-2018-17. EPA’s response to any comments received will be available for public inspection at the same address.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Larry Bradfish, Assistant Regional Counsel (ORC-3), Office of Regional Counsel, U.S. EPA Region IX, 75 Hawthorne Street, San Francisco, CA 94105; Email: bradfish.larry@epa.gov; Phone (415) 972-3934.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Notice of this proposed administrative settlement is made in accordance with the Section 122(i) of CERCLA. The Settlement Agreement concerns work to be done by Tuleyome, a non-labile party in connection with the Corona Mine/Twin Peaks Mine (“Site”), located in Napa County, California. Tuleyome is a non-profit volunteer organization focused on protecting the wild and agricultural heritage of the inner Coastal Range and Western Sacramento Valley California. Tuleyome maintains offices at 607 North Street, Woodland, CA 95695. Tuleyome certifies in the Settlement Agreement that it is not a liable party under CERCLA, and that it does not intend to acquire ownership in the Site. This Settlement Agreement falls under EPA’s Good Samaritan Initiative, which adopted CERCLA administrative tools including a model Administrative Settlement and Order on Consent (AOC). The purpose of these administrative tools is to reduce barriers

under CERCLA for non-labile volunteers to clean up orphan mine sites. The Corona Mine/Twin Peaks Mine Settlement Agreement is based on the updated 2018 model AOC, and has been vetted with EPA Headquarters Office of Site Remediation Enforcement. Parties to the Settlement Agreement include the EPA and Tuleyome.

The Site that is the subject of this Settlement Agreement includes 32 contiguous acres of land that has been disturbed from past mining efforts at the Corona and Twin Peaks mercury mines. The 32-acre project is located within a larger 328.8-acre area that is owned by Corona/Twin Peaks Historical Association LLC which obtained the property from the previous owner, John Livermore (deceased), in 2012. Under this Settlement Agreement, Tuleyome agrees to carry out a removal action involving pilot studies to assess the effectiveness of various chemical amendments to address discharges from the Corona Mine drainage tunnel, mine waste consolidation, and revegetation. The work will also include improvements to existing infiltration trenches and construction of other surface water runoff controls. Tuleyome has performed work at the Site since 2016 under oversight by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region.

The performance of this work by Tuleyome will be overseen by EPA. The settlement includes a covenant not to sue Tuleyome pursuant to Sections 106 or 107(a) of CERCLA. EPA will consider all comments received on the Settlement Agreement in accordance with the **DATES** and **ADDRESSES** sections of this Notice and may modify or withdraw its consent to the Settlement Agreement if comments received disclose facts or considerations that indicate that the settlement is inappropriate, improper, or inadequate.

Dated: February 6, 2019.

Enrique Manzanilla,

Director, Superfund Division, EPA Region 9.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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Local Government Advisory Committee: Request for Nominations

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Notice of request for nominations.

SUMMARY: EPA’s LGAC is a federal advisory committee chartered in 1992 under the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), Public Law 92-463, to advise the EPA Administrator “from the field” on a broad range of environmental issues impacting local governments. Current LGAC committee members, and future qualified nominees, hold either current elected or non-elected/appointed positions and possess leadership experience—whether managerial or technical/programmatic—in the following contexts: Small community or township government (under 10,000 population); moderate-size or large city government; county government; state government; and, tribal government.

This notice solicits nominations to fill 10–15 vacancies on EPA’s LGAC—currently comprised of 30 individuals. Vacancies are anticipated to be filled by May, 2019.

DATES: Nominations are reviewed on an ongoing basis. However, to be considered for May 2019 appointments, nominations should be submitted by March 15, 2019.

ADDRESSES: Submit nominations electronically to eargle.frances@epa.gov with a subject heading of ‘LGAC 2019 NOMINATION’. You may also submit nominations by mail to: M. Frances Eargle, LGAC Designated Federal Officer, Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations (OCIR), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue NW (MC1301A), Washington, DC 20460. Non-electronic submissions must follow the same format and contain the same information.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: M. Frances Eargle, Designated Federal Officer for the LGAC, U.S. EPA; telephone (202) 564-3115; email: eargle.frances@epa.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Nominations: The credentials of all applicants/nominees will be fully considered, but viable candidates must—at a minimum—fall within the vocational/experiential parameters outlined in the Summary above. In addition to experience in local and/or state government, additional criteria to be considered may include: Experience with public-private partnerships; coalition-building and grass-roots involvement; implementation of environmental regulatory programs, whether federally-delegated, state-required or locally-mandated, including permitting programs, Brownfields, Superfund clean-up, air and water quality, and solid waste management; and, rural and/or small community