

## Water Management Program Review

The following information shall be included in the reports submitted by the States and Provinces to the Regional Body and Compact Council pursuant to the requirements in the Agreement Article 300 and the Compact Section 3.4.

1. Lead agency/agencies and contact person(s).
2. Citations to State/Provincial Water management program implementing laws, regulations and policies.
3. Summary description of the State's or Province's Water management program scope & thresholds, including the current status of program implementation and a description of which New or Increased Withdrawals, Consumptive Uses and Diversions will be subject to the program. The summary should include information on registration (if applicable), management and regulation, and reporting elements of the program.

Describe specifically how Water Withdrawals in the State or Province are managed by:

- a. Sector (public water supply, self-supply commercial and institutional, self-supply irrigation, self-supply livestock, self-supply industrial, self supply thermoelectric power production (once-through cooling), self-supply thermoelectric power production (recirculated cooling), off-stream hydroelectric power production, in-stream hydroelectric power production (voluntary), and other self-supply);
- b. Water source (groundwater, surface water (Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River), surface water other than Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River);
- c. Quantity (regulatory thresholds, volumes, rates, and reporting requirements);
- d. Location (Statewide/Province-wide or Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River Basin); and,
- e. Any specific exemptions as allowed in the Agreement and the Compact.

Note: Address all sectors and sources in your descriptions even if one or more sector or source is not currently managed by your State or Province.

4. Description of how the provisions of the Standard of Review and Decision are applied. The description should include information on how each criterion of the Decision Making Standard and Exception Standard is addressed.
  - a. Decision Making Standard for Withdrawals, Consumptive Uses.
  - b. Exception Standard for Diversions.
5. Overview of State/Provincial reporting and database of Withdrawals, Consumptive Uses and Diversions including implementation status and database elements and capabilities, and reporting mechanisms (e.g. electronic submission, etc.). The overview should include methods of measurement (e.g. flow volume or rate meters, flow gauging, timing devices, etc.) approved by the State/Province for measuring Water volumes.

6. Attach a copy of the State or Province's Withdrawal application form(s). Copies of related regulations, policies, and manuals with the application form may be included to provide a more complete program description.
7. Summary description of the State's or Province's initiatives to support an improved scientific understanding of the Waters of the Basin and an improved understanding of the groundwater of the Basin and the role of groundwater in Basin water resource management. A description of State or Provincial initiatives or mechanisms to support an improved understanding of individual or cumulative impacts of Withdrawals, Consumptive Uses and Diversions on the Basin ecosystem should also be provided.
8. Additional information.