



# URBAN WATERS LOCAL GOVERNMENT ROUNDTABLE

## ROUNDTABLE AGENDA

September 2, 2015

3:30 p.m. – 4:45 p.m.  
Astoria Room  
Hilton Chicago Hotel

- 3:30 – 3:40 p.m. **Introductions and Opening Remarks**
- *Mike Shapiro, Deputy Assistant Administrator, EPA Office of Water*
- 3:40 – 3:45 p.m. **Urban Waters in the City of Chicago**
- *Steven Koch, Deputy Mayor of Chicago, IL*
- 3:45 – 3:55 p.m. **City of Grand Rapids Working with Local Urban Waters Partners**
- *George Heartwell, Mayor of Grand Rapids, MI*
- 3:55 – 4:00 p.m. **Aligning Local Government Priorities with the Urban Waters Program**
- *Judy Sheahan, Assistant Executive Director U.S. Conference of Mayors*
  - *Andrea Fox, Sustainability Director, International City/County Management Association*
  - *Carolyn S. Berndt, Program Director for Sustainability, National League of Cities*
- 4:00 – 4:10 p.m. **Federal Agency Co-Leads for the Urban Waters Federal Partnership**
- *Antonio Riley, Regional Director, HUD*
  - *Leslie Jones, Chief of Staff to the Under Secretary, USDA*
  - *Louise Clemency, Director, Chicago Field Office, Fish and Wildlife Service*
- 4:10 – 4:40 p.m. **Roundtable Response and Discussion by Participating Mayors and Organizations**
- 4:40 – 4:45 p.m. **Summary and Next Steps**
- *Mike Shapiro*

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### **Roundtable Discussion Questions for Participating Mayors and Organizations:**

- What challenges do you face in engaging local non-government organizations in helping to revitalize your City neighborhoods and restore your urban waterways?
- In your City, do you have key governmental and private sector partners working together to advance community revitalization and urban waterways? What is working and what is not?
- In your experience, how do you explain successes and challenges to the public?
- Can you talk about any successes or challenges you have had working with Federal Agencies on waterway restoration projects?