

# Western Lake Erie Basin Advisory Group Kick-off Meeting

Thursday, August 3 | 10:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Sheraton Ann Arbor (3200 Boardwalk Dr, Ann Arbor)

## Meeting Objectives:

- Build community among Western Lake Erie Basin (WLEB) groups
- Foster trust
- Generate input for the 2023 Domestic Action Plan

9:30 AM

Registration and informal networking

10:00

Welcome and Introductions Jen Read, U-M Water Center

*Jen welcomes the Advisory Group, provides an overview of the project, covers WLEB Community Guidelines and leads an introduction and ice-breaker session*

Dr. Tim Boring, Director, Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

*Director Boring provides remarks to the Advisory Group*

Progress on the Domestic Action Plan: Quality of Life Agencies Panel

Panelists:

- Tim Boring and Michelle Selzer, MDARD
- Phil Argiroff, EGLE
- Steve Shine, DNR

*Quality of Life agency representatives provide updates on their respective progress on the DAP and a brief sense of where future effort will be directed. There will be an opportunity for Q/A with the Advisory Group.*

12:00-1:00 PM LUNCH

Summary of Input from WLEB Advisory Group Alison Bressler, U-M Water Center

*Alison provides a summary of the themes and ideas heard during one-on-one conversations with individual Advisory Group members.*

Quality of Life Agency Response: Panel

Panelists:

- Tim Boring and Michelle Selzer, MDARD
- Phil Argiroff, EGLE
- Steve Shine, DNR

*QOL agencies reflect on how what they heard from the Advisory Group summary could inform the DAP updates.*

BREAK

Discussion:

*Advisory Group members provide thoughts and feedback on key questions related to future activities in the Western Lake Erie Basin*

3:30 PM

Wrap up and adjourn to YORK for informal networking (1928 Packard St., Ann Arbor)

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## WLEB Community Guidelines

- Open-mindedness: Listen to and respect all points of view.
- Acceptance: Suspend judgment as best you can.
- Curiosity: Seek to understand rather than persuade.
- Discovery: Question assumptions, look for new insights.
- Sincerity: Speak from your heart and personal experience.
- Brevity: Go for honesty and depth, but don't go on and on.