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Urban Waters Flagship Completed in Q4/2011



FLAGSHIP IS COMPLETE – [Benefits and Lessons Learned](#) are Available for this Flagship

Description of Flagship Effort

- The Urban Waters effort falls under the “Expanding the Environmental Conversation with Communities” Flagship Theme
- The goal was to help communities, especially underserved communities, access, restore and benefit from their surrounding waters
- EPA lead an Urban Waters Federal Partnership including eleven agencies and support from the White House Domestic Policy Council to integrate federal support from communities
- EPA focused on developing new Web 2.0 tools for community-to-community information sharing, reaching out to non-digital audiences, and providing technical assistance to communities
- Why this effort?
 - Urban waters throughout the country are substantially impaired, impact large populations, and are typically entangled in complex issues
 - When urban rivers, lakes, streams or wetlands are inaccessible or degraded, the surrounding communities miss the benefits of community stability and growth that clean urban waters bring
- There was a special emphasis on environmental justice

Stakeholders

- Public
- Non-Government Organizations (NGOs)
- State, Tribal and Local governments
- Centers of learning
- Other Federal Agencies
- Community-based organizations

Milestones/Status

- N/A – Flagship is Complete

Highlights of Progress this Quarter

- N/A – Flagship is Complete

Planned Activity for Next Quarter

- N/A – Flagship is Complete

Metrics

- N/A – Flagship is Complete