Missisquoi Bay Basin Project: Identifying Critical Source Areas of Pollution

Proposed Workshop Agenda and List of Invitees and Participants IJC Deliverable for Task 2, Subtask 1: 25 November 2009 Executive Summary

A proposed agenda was submitted to the IJC for a meeting of the IJC United States-Canada Transboundary Hydrographic Data Harmonization Task Force to identify, evaluate and verify the condition of drainage area data in the Missisquoi Bay Watershed to facilitate the completion of hydrographically correct drainage area data for the U.S. and Canadian portions of the Missisquoi Bay watershed. The planned workshop, entitled "Harmonization and evaluation of hydrographic data in the Missisquoi Bay watershed", was proposed for the week of February 15, 2010 or February 22, 2010.

Suggested topics and presenters included:

- Welcome, introductions, goals and objectives for the workshop (Michael Laitta, IJC-IWI)
- Role of the Lake Champlain Basin Program in Basin partnerships and data harmonization efforts within the international boundary area (Bill Howland, LCBP and Martin Mimeault, Quebec MDDEP)
- International Watersheds Initiative, Hydrographic Data Harmonization Effort
- (Michael Laitta, IJC-IWI)
- Drainage area data harmonization (Data Harmonization Task Force Hanson/Wyrzykowski)
- NHN-NHD Harmonization Status (Data Harmonization Task Force Belzile/Steeves)
- LiDAR data acquisition discussion: Current and proposed LiDAR coverages in the Missisquoi Basin (Reed Sims, USDA-NRCS or Jarlath O'Neill-Dunne, UVM Spatial Analysis Laboratory, and Isabelle Beaudin, IRDA)
- Large group discussion: LiDAR products: What products are useful?
- Opportunities for actions to harmonize data: Group discussion to generate ideas for collaboration and harmonization of current and future data

Potential workshop attendees included representatives from LCBP, the IJC and its Transboundary Hydrographic Data Harmonization Task Force, USEPA, USGS, USDA-NRCS, VT ANR, VT AAFM, Vermont Center for Geographic Information, University of Vermont, SUNY Plattsburgh, NY DEC, QC MDDEP, Institut de Recherche et de Développement en Agroenvironnement, and the Centre de service du MAPAQ.