SEC. 120. LAKE CHAMPLAIN BASIN PROGRAM.

(a) ESTABLISHMENT.—

(1) IN GENERAL.—There is established a Lake Champlain Management Conference to develop a comprehensive pollution prevention, control, and restoration plan for Lake Champlain. The Administrator shall convene the management conference within ninety days of the date of enactment of this section.

(2) IMPLEMENTATION.—The Administrator—

(A) may provide support to the State of Vermont, the State of New York, and the New England Interstate Water Pollution Control Commission for the implementation of the Lake Champlain Basin Program; and

(B) shall coordinate actions of the Environmental Protection Agency under subparagraph (A) with the actions of other appropriate Federal agencies.

(b) MEMBERSHIP.—The Members of the Management Conference shall be comprised of—

(1) the Governors of the States of Vermont and New York;

(2) each interested Federal agency, not to exceed a total of five members;

(3) the Vermont and New York Chairpersons of the Vermont, New York, Quebec Citizens Advisory Committee for the Environmental Management of Lake Champlain;

(4) four representatives of the State legislature of Vermont;

(5) four representatives of the State legislature of New York;

(6) six persons representing local governments having jurisdiction over any land or water within the Lake Champlain basin, as determined appropriate by the Governors; and

(7) eight persons representing affected industries, nongovernmental organizations, public and private educational institutions, and the general public, as determined appropriate by the trigovernmental Citizens Advisory Committee for the Environmental Management of Lake Champlain, but not to be current members of the Citizens Advisory Committee.

(1) The Management Conference shall, not later than one hundred and twenty days after the date of enactment of this section, appoint a Technical Advisory Committee.

(2) Such Technical Advisory Committee shall consist of officials of appropriate departments and agencies of the Federal Govern-
ment; the State governments of New York and Vermont; and go-
vernments of political subdivisions of such States; and public and
private research institutions.

d) RESEARCH PROGRAM.—The Management Conference shall
establish a multi-disciplinary environmental research program for
Lake Champlain. Such research program shall be planned and con-
ducted jointly with the Lake Champlain Research Consortium.

(e) POLLUTION PREVENTION, CONTROL, AND RESTORATION PLAN.—
(1) Not later than three years after the date of the enact-
ment of this section, the Management Conference shall publish a pollution
prevention, control, and restoration plan for Lake Cham-
plain.

(2) The Plan developed pursuant to this section shall—

(A) identify corrective actions and compliance schedules
addressing point and nonpoint sources of pollution necessary to
restore and maintain the chemical, physical, and biological in-
tegrity of water quality, a balanced, indigenous population of
shellfish, fish and wildlife, recreational, and economic activities
in and on the lake;

(B) incorporate environmental management concepts and
programs established in State and Federal plans and programs
in effect at the time of the development of such plan;

(C) clarify the duties of Federal and State agencies in pol-
lution prevention and control activities, and to the extent al-
lowable by law, suggest a timetable for adoption by the appro-
priate Federal and State agencies to accomplish such duties
within a reasonable period of time;

(D) describe the methods and schedules for funding of pro-
grams, activities, and projects identified in the Plan, including
the use of Federal funds and other sources of funds;

(E) include a strategy for pollution prevention and control
that includes the promotion of pollution prevention and man-
gagement practices to reduce the amount of pollution generated in
the Lake Champlain basin; and

(F) be reviewed and revised, as necessary, at least once
every 5 years, in consultation with the Administrator and other
appropriate Federal agencies.

(3) The Administrator, in cooperation with the Management
Conference, shall provide for public review and comment on the draft
Plan. At a minimum, the Management Conference shall con-
duct one public meeting to hear comments on the draft plan in the State
of New York and one such meeting in the State of Vermont.

(4) Not less than one hundred and twenty days after the publi-
cation of the Plan required pursuant to this section, the Adminis-
trator shall approve such plan if the plan meets the requirements
of this section and the Governors of the States of New York and Vermont
concur.

(5) Upon approval of the plan, such plan shall be deemed to be
an approved management program for the purposes of section 319(h)
of this Act and such plan shall be deemed to be an approved
comprehensive conservation and management plan pursuant to sec-
tion 320 of this Act.

(f) GRANT ASSISTANCE.—(1) The Administrator may, in con-
sultation with participants in the Lake Champlain Basin Program,
make grants to State, interstate, and regional water pollution control agencies, and public or nonprofit agencies, institutions, and organizations.

(2) Grants under this subsection shall be made for assisting research, surveys, studies, and modeling and technical and supporting work necessary for the development and implementation of the Plan.

(3) The amount of grants to any person under this subsection for a fiscal year shall not exceed 75 per centum of the costs of such research, study and work and shall be made available on the condition that non-Federal share of such costs are provided from non-Federal sources.

(4) The Administrator may establish such requirements for the administration of grants as he determines to be appropriate.

(g) DEFINITIONS.—In this section:

(1) LAKE CHAMPLAIN BASIN PROGRAM.—The term “Lake Champlain Basin Program” means the coordinated efforts among the Federal Government, State governments, and local governments to implement the Plan.

(2) LAKE CHAMPLAIN DRAINAGE BASIN.—The term “Lake Champlain drainage basin” means all or part of Clinton, Franklin, Warren, Essex, and Washington counties in the State of New York and all or part of Franklin, Hamilton, Grand Isle, Chittenden, Addison, Rutland, Bennington, Lamoille, Orange, Washington, Orleans, and Caledonia counties in Vermont, that contain all of the streams, rivers, lakes, and other bodies of water, including wetlands, that drain into Lake Champlain.

(3) PLAN.—The term “Plan” means the plan developed under subsection (e).

(h) NO EFFECT ON CERTAIN AUTHORITY.—Nothing in this section—

(1) affects the jurisdiction or powers of—

(A) any department or agency of the Federal Government or any State government; or

(B) any international organization or entity related to Lake Champlain created by treaty or memorandum to which the United States is a signatory;

(2) provides new regulatory authority for the Environmental Protection Agency; or


(i) AUTHORIZATION.—There are authorized to be appropriated to the Environmental Protection Agency to carry out this section—

(1) $2,000,000 for each of fiscal years 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, and 1995;

(2) such sums as are necessary for each of fiscal years 1996 through 2003; and

(3) $11,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2004 through 2008.

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