

U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY



Good Neighbor Environmental Board

Meeting Day 1

March 19-20, 2008

Hilton Washington Towers Cabinet Room
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AGENDA

Wednesday, March 19, 2008

(9:00 A.M. Press Conference in State Room (media only) - Release of Eleventh Report of the Good Neighbor Environmental Board: "Effects of Natural Disasters on the U.S.-Mexico Border Environment")

9:30 A.M. **Registration**

10:00 **Meeting Begins**

Welcome— Commissioner John Wood, Acting Chair, GNEB
Rafael DeLeon, Director, EPA Office of Cooperative
Environmental Management (OCEM)
Elaine Koerner, Designated Federal Officer, OCEM
Board Members, Attendees Self Introductions

10:10 **Keynote Remarks**—EPA Administrator Stephen L. Johnson

10:45 **Panel Discussion on Eleventh Report: "Natural Disasters and
Environmental Protection on the U.S.-Mexico Border Environment"**

Introduction, Summary of Recommendations— Commissioner John
Wood, Acting Chair

11:00 **Panel Discussion**

Erika J. Clesceri, Ph.D. DCHA Bureau Environmental Officer,
USAID-Washington

- Dana Tulis, Deputy Director, EPA Office of Emergency Management and U.S. Co-Chair, Border 2012 Program Emergency Preparedness & Response Border-Wide Work Group
- Alejandro Posadas, SEMARNAT, Mexican Embassy

12:00 Public Comment Session

12:30 P.M. **Lunch**

1:30 **Briefings on Board's Twelfth Report Theme:**
"Innovation, Including Incentives, to Prevent/Reduce Pollution at the U.S.- Mexico Border"

Introduction, Background – Commissioner John Wood, Acting Chair

1:45 Opportunities and Barriers for Environmental Innovation Along the U.S.-Mexico Border
 - Betsy Shaw, Director, National Center for Environmental Innovation, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
 - Sue Stendebach, Office of Air and Radiation, U.S. EPA

2:30 Private Sector Leadership in Innovation for Environmental Protection at the Border – Al Zapanta, President and CEO, U.S.-Mexico Chamber of Commerce

3:15 **Break**

3:30 Energy and Innovation to Protect the Environment at the Border
 - Brian Castelli, Executive Vice President, Alliance to Save Energy

4:15 Scrap Tires: Case in Point for Innovation at the Border
 - Tracey Norberg, Vice President, Rubber Manufacturers Association

5:00 Additional Discussion, Report Outs

5:30 **Day One of Meeting Ends**

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