# Niagara River AOC Boundary, U.S. EPA Great Lakes National Program Office

## **Shapefile**

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## **Tags**

New York, Remediation, Environment, Great Lakes, Area of Concern, 020:057

#### **Summary**

The main use of the delineated AOC boundaries is for EPA and State governments to locate those sites listed on the U.S. Area of Concerns list in the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement, or other sites that are in close proximity or may have contributed to the pollution within each AOC. These analyses are completed on a relatively small scale of the areas in and around each AOC. Attributes only include the AOC name and the predominant state in which the AOC is located. The locations of features and boundaries shown on this map are approximate and are intended for planning and visualization purposes only. This is not intended for survey, statistical, engineering, or legal purposes.

## **Description**

This shapefile provides a polygon boundary for the Niagara River AOC in Western New York. In general, the following steps were taken in developing the shapefile:

- 1. The previous AOC shapefile was obtained from EPA.
- 2. Shoreline data from NOAA, called Continually Updated Shoreline Product (CUSP), was downloaded for the full extent of the AOC.
- 3. A narrative of the AOC was taken from the AOC webpage (see narrative below).
- 4. The AOC shoreline (river and lake as applicable) of the previous shapefile was updated using the data from Step #2.
- 5. The AOC international boundary of the current shapefile was updated using data from the International Boundary Commission
- 6. The extent of the AOC was determined from the narrative in Step #3 and/or the extent from the previous boundary and applied.
- 7. Utilizing aerial imagery (current and historic) and best professional judgement, manual edits to the shoreline were made if significant deviations were apparent due to man-made changes or possible errors.

Narrative: EPA AOC Webpage, 12/8/2021. "The Niagara River is a binational AOC that includes the entire Niagara River. The U.S. side of the AOC consists of an Impact AOC and a Source AOC. The Impact AOC extends from the mouth of Smoke Creek near the southern end of the Buffalo Outer Harbor (which is within Lake Erie) north to the mouth of the Niagara River at Lake Ontario. Within the river, the international border between Canada and the U.S. forms part of the Impact AOC boundary. On the landward side, the Impact AOC boundary follows the shoreline. In the Outer Harbor area, the in-water boundary generally follows the major breakwalls. In the southernmost section, where no breakwall is present, the AOC extends approximately one-half mile from shore. The Source AOC consists of portions of five tributaries to the AOC"

Representatives of both EPA and NYDEC reviewed and approved the boundary.

**Credits:** Sources of digital information used in the development of the AOC include: NOAA (https://www.ngs.noaa.gov/CUSP/), ESRI World Imagery

(http://goto.arcgisonline.com/maps/World\_Imagery), Google Earth historic imagery (https://www.google.com/earth/), IBC U.S./Canada boundary v1.3 (https://www.internationalboundarycommission.org/en/maps-coordinates/coordinates.php), and EPA AOC Webpage (https://www.epa.gov/great-lakes-aocs/niagara-river-aoc).

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#### **Extent**

West -79.075353 East -78.857928 North 43.263665 South 42.810722

## **Scale Range**

Maximum (zoomed in) 1:5,000 Minimum (zoomed out) 1:50,000

### ArcGIS Metadata ▶

## **Topics and Keywords** ▶

THEMES OR CATEGORIES OF THE RESOURCE inlandWaters, boundaries

\* CONTENT TYPE Downloadable Data
EXPORT TO FGDC CSDGM XML FORMAT AS RESOURCE DESCRIPTION No

PLACE KEYWORDS New York

THESAURUS'S LANGUAGE English (UNITED STATES)
THESAURUS
TITLE EPA Place Names
PUBLICATION DATE 2015-01-31 00:00:00

## RESOURCE LOCATION ONLINE

LOCATION

https://ofmpub.epa.gov/sor\_internet/registry/termreg/searchandretrieve/taxonomies/search.do?search=&searchString=&taxonomyName=WBT%20-%20Geographic%20LocationsName Web Taxonomy - Geographic Locations

FUNCTION PERFORMED information

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THEME KEYWORDS Remediation, Environment

THESAURUS

TITLE EPA GIS Keyword Thesaurus
PUBLICATION DATE 2007-11-02 00:00:00

RESOURCE LOCATION ONLINE

LOCATION https://www.epa.gov/geospatial/epa-metadata-technical-specification
NAME EPA Metadata Technical Specification
FUNCTION PERFORMED information

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      PUBLICATION DATE 2020-06-29 00:00:00
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  THEME KEYWORDS 020:057
    THESAURUS
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      PUBLICATION DATE 2013-09-16 00:00:00
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        LOCATION https://www.performance.gov/federalprograminventory
        NAME Federal Program Inventory
        FUNCTION PERFORMED information
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Citation ▶
  TITLE Niagara River AOC Boundary, U.S. EPA Great Lakes National Program Office
  PUBLICATION DATE 2021-12-07
  PRESENTATION FORMATS digital map
  Hide Citation A
Resource Details ▶
  DATASET LANGUAGES English (UNITED STATES)
  Dataset Character Set utf8 - 8 bit UCS Transfer Format
  SPATIAL REPRESENTATION TYPE vector
  * PROCESSING ENVIRONMENT Version 6.2 (Build 9200); Esri ArcGIS 10.7.0.10450
    Sources of digital information used in the development of the AOC include: NOAA
    (https://www.ngs.noaa.gov/CUSP/), ESRI World Imagery
    (http://goto.arcgisonline.com/maps/World_Imagery), Google Earth historic imagery
    (https://www.google.com/earth/), and EPA AOC Webpage (https://www.epa.gov/great-lakes-
    aocs/niagara-river-aoc).
  ARCGIS ITEM PROPERTIES
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**Extents** ▶

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EXTENT
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      The Niagara River AOC was designated an AOC in 1987.
    TEMPORAL EXTENT
      BEGINNING DATE 1987-01-01 00:00:00
      ENDING DATE
        INDETERMINATE DATE UNKNOWN
  EXTENT
    GEOGRAPHIC EXTENT
      BOUNDING RECTANGLE
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        * WEST LONGITUDE -79.075353
        * EAST LONGITUDE -78.857928
        * NORTH LATITUDE 43.263665
        * SOUTH LATITUDE 42.810722
        * EXTENT CONTAINS THE RESOURCE Yes
  EXTENT IN THE ITEM'S COORDINATE SYSTEM
    * WEST LONGITUDE -79.075353
    * EAST LONGITUDE -78.857928
    * SOUTH LATITUDE 42.810722
    * NORTH LATITUDE 43.263665
    * EXTENT CONTAINS THE RESOURCE Yes
  Hide Extents ▲
Resource Points of Contact ▶
  POINT OF CONTACT
    INDIVIDUAL'S NAME Mark Loomis
    ORGANIZATION'S NAME U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Great Lakes National Program Office
    CONTACT'S POSITION Federal AOC Taskforce Lead
    CONTACT'S ROLE publisher
      CONTACT INFORMATION >
        ADDRESS
          TYPE
           DELIVERY POINT 77 W. Jackson Blvd G-17J
           CITY Chicago
           ADMINISTRATIVE AREA IL
           POSTAL CODE 60604
           COUNTRY US
           E-MAIL ADDRESS Loomis.Mark@Epa.gov
        Hide Contact information ▲
  Hide Resource Points of Contact ▲
Resource Maintenance >
  RESOURCE MAINTENANCE
    UPDATE FREQUENCY as needed
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Resource Constraints >

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#### **CONSTRAINTS**

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## **Spatial Reference** ▶

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## **Spatial Data Properties** ▶

\* FEATURE COUNT 1

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* LEVEL OF TOPOLOGY FOR THIS DATASET geometry only

GEOMETRIC OBJECTS
FEATURE CLASS NAME AOC_NY_Niagara_2021
* OBJECT TYPE composite
* OBJECT COUNT 1

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ARCGIS FEATURE CLASS PROPERTIES
FEATURE CLASS NAME AOC_NY_Niagara_2021
* FEATURE TYPE Simple
* GEOMETRY TYPE Polygon
* HAS TOPOLOGY FALSE
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* SPATIAL INDEX TRUE
       * LINEAR REFERENCING FALSE
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Data Quality ▶
  SCOPE OF QUALITY INFORMATION
    RESOURCE LEVEL dataset
    Hide Scope of quality information ▲
  Hide Data Quality A
Lineage ▶
  LINEAGE STATEMENT
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    VERSION 2022
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Fields ▶
  DETAILS FOR OBJECT AOC_NY_Niagara_2021 ▶
    * TYPE Feature Class
    * Row Count 1
    DEFINITION
      The AOC extent and other possible applicable areas
    DEFINITION SOURCE
       U.S. EPA Great Lakes National Program Office
    FIELD FID >
       * ALIAS FID
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       * WIDTH 4
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         Internal feature number.
       * DESCRIPTION SOURCE
         Esri
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#### \* DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Sequential unique whole numbers that are automatically generated.

#### Hide Field FID ▲

### FIELD Shape ▶

- \* ALIAS Shape
- \* DATA TYPE Geometry
- \* WIDTH 0
- \* PRECISION 0
- \* SCALE 0
- \* FIELD DESCRIPTION

Feature geometry.

\* DESCRIPTION SOURCE

Esri

\* DESCRIPTION OF VALUES

Coordinates defining the features.

#### Hide Field Shape ▲

#### FIELD Name

- \* ALIAS Name
- \* DATA TYPE String
- \* WIDTH 50
- \* PRECISION 0
- \* SCALE 0

FIELD DESCRIPTION

Feature name

#### **DESCRIPTION SOURCE**

U.S. EPA Great Lakes National Program Office

## LIST OF VALUES

VALUE AOC name

DESCRIPTION The AOC name is the official name given by the U.S. EPA Great Lakes National Program Office

ENUMERATED DOMAIN VALUE DEFINITION SOURCE U.S. EPA Great Lakes National Program Office

#### Hide Field Name ▲

## FIELD State ▶

- \* ALIAS State
- \* DATA TYPE String
- \* WIDTH 2
- \* PRECISION 0
- \* SCALE 0

## FIELD DESCRIPTION

Location of feature as 2-character state code

### DESCRIPTION SOURCE

U.S. EPA Great Lakes National Program Office

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LIST OF VALUES
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VALUE 2-character state code DESCRIPTION State postal code

ENUMERATED DOMAIN VALUE DEFINITION SOURCE U.S. EPA Great Lakes National Program Office

Hide Field State ▲

Hide Details for object AOC\_NY\_Niagara\_2021 ▲

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### Metadata Details ▶

METADATA LANGUAGE English (UNITED STATES)

METADATA CHARACTER SET utf8 - 8 bit UCS Transfer Format

METADATA IDENTIFIER E684F785-3782-4FA4-A450-74A262230F6D

Scope of the data described by the metadata dataset

SCOPE NAME \* dataset

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ARCGIS METADATA PROPERTIES

METADATA FORMAT ArcGIS 1.0

METADATA STYLE EPA Metadata Specification NAP ISO19115 2003

STANDARD OR PROFILE USED TO EDIT METADATA NAP

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HAVE BEEN PERFORMED Yes

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