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Hypoxia Task Force Highlights

The Hypoxia Task Force recently released its <u>2023 Report to Congress</u>. The report describes progress made through activities directed by the Task Force toward attainment of the goals of the Gulf Hypoxia Action Plan 2008. This is the fourth Report to Congress since 2015.

The Task Force – EPA, its federal partners, Tribes, and 12 states along the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers – has taken steps to reduce the size of the Gulf's dead zone and will continue to work together to address this extraordinary environmental challenge. The Task Force is focused on implementing EPA's new Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act/Bipartisan Infrastructure Law Gulf Hypoxia Program, which provides \$60M over 5 years to implement the *Gulf Hypoxia Action Plan*. The Task Force is continuing to identify the highest priority nutrient source areas for conservation treatment, as well as estimating nutrient load reductions to help target resources to improve water quality for communities in the basin.

Visit the EPA Hypoxia Task Force Website

To learn more about the work of the Hypoxia Task Force, visit our website, which features recent reports and measurements, important documents, upcoming actions, and learning opportunities. The "In the Spotlight" section of the homepage provides a great introduction.

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