Lake Erie/Great Lakes news from the Lake Erie Foundation

* Trump's 2018 budget guts Great Lakes funding.  Contact your congressman and senators to keep Great Lakes funding.

<http://www.mlive.com/news/index.ssf/2017/05/trump_epa_glri_fy2018_budget.html>

* USEPA decides Ohio does not have to declare Lake Erie's open waters impaired. The Lake Erie Foundation asks for the impaired designation to qualify for more money to help the lake and to have measurements that determine progress (or the lack of) to reduce nutrients producing harmful algae.  Ask Ohio legislators to support the impaired designation for accountable algae reductions.

<http://www.great-lakes.net/envt/water/levels/levels-cur/eriewlc.html>

Lake Erie Water Levels - Click on a one of the gauge dots and it will show wind, levels and lots more information. Rains and northern winds are the elements that create harmful algae this summer.  The more rain and northern winds, the more the harmful algae. Algae watch 2017

<http://www.great-lakes.net/envt/water/levels/levels-cur/eriewlc.html>

<https://nccospublicstor.blob.core.windows.net/hab-data/bulletins/lake-erie/current/bulletin_current.pdf>

* Author Dan Egan, Two Time Pulitzer nominee, will talk about his recent book, Death and Life of the Great Lakes at Lakeside, Ohio July 12th.  The free and open to the public event is t sponsored by Lakeside organizations and the Lake Erie Foundation. Below is the New York Times Review and information on the Lakeside event.

Nor Any Drop to Drink?: Why the Great Lakes Face a Murky Future

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/05/23/books/review/the-death-and-life-of-the-great-lakes-dan-egan.html?>

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* Join All Hands on Deck July 3rd at Lakeside in support of the Great Lakes

Communities all along Great Lakes shores are busy planning to link hands and boats in ALL HANDS ON DECK, at 10 a.m. EDT on July 3, 2017, to raise awareness of the need to protect the waters everyone loves. The event focuses on something everyone can agree on: the need for protecting the Great Lakes to keep them healthy.

Whether on a beach, a boardwalk, a marine channel, or any other location, all locations for All Hands On Deck represents common ground that extends beyond political and geographical boundaries. In every area, the Great Lakes are essential to the environment, economy, and everyone’s way of life. The event is a way to come together in a unique, unified expression of concern on behalf of a precious resource that needs continuing attention and support – funding, regulations, and research – to sustain long-term vitality.

We will link hands on the beach and link boats on the water along the shorelines in communities in every Great Lakes state and Canada. Representatives and press from local communities are invited to witness and document our solidarity about our water. Check in begins at 8:00 EDT. Bring a blue marble and wear a blue, green, or AHOD Logo shirt!

Water unifies us all! It is something everyone can get behind! Help us to promote this event, participate in it, or direct us to captains willing to get an event started in your community! For the sake of our lakes be a part of it!

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