

**Ninth Meeting of the Mississippi River/Gulf of Mexico Watershed  
Nutrient Task Force  
Ritz Carlton, Pentagon City, VA  
AGENDA**

*Tuesday, December 10, 2002*

- 9:30 Welcome and Agenda Review (*G. Tracy Mehan, US EPA*)
- 9:45 Introductions/Background  
*Brief overview of Task and Action Plan (Robert Wayland, US EPA)*
- Task Force Members will be invited to describe related or potentially related programs, such as the Gulf of Mexico Mercury Task Force (Karen Studders (Minnesota Pollution Control Agency), Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources; others)*
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 Workgroup reporting session
- Restoration (*Teresa Woods, Fish and Wildlife Service; Owen Dutt, US Army COE*)
  - Point Sources (*Dugan Sabins, Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality; Olaf McDavid, BASF Corporation*)
  - Nonpoint Sources (*Tom Christensen, USDA*)
  - Monitoring, Modeling, and Research (*Herb Buxton, USGS; Don Scavia, NOAA*)
- 11:55 Lunch (*on your own*)
- 1:15 Subbasin Coordination
- 2:00 Public Comments
- 2:10 Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service (CSRESS)  
(*Mike O'Neill, CSRESS*)
- 2:45 Break
- 3:00 Federal funding opportunities and accountability  
USDA will co-lead with EPA for Budget and Finance Working Group  
*Conservation provisions of the Farm Bill and opportunities to influence funding (Carole Jett, USDA)*
- 3:45 Wrap-up discussion and next steps (*G. Tracy Mehan, US EPA*)
- 4:15 Adjourn