

TIMELINES FOR COMING INTO FORCE OF KEY AGREEMENT PROVISIONS		
EFFECTIVE DATE	AGREEMENT PROVISION	CHAPTER/ARTICLE
Agreement Signing (December 13, 2005)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Preamble (i.e., overarching principles and foundations of agreement) ▪ General Provisions (i.e., objectives, geographic scope of application, commitment to implement, definitions) ▪ Exemptions to Agreement (i.e., operation of vehicles/vessels; short-term firefighting/humanitarian purposes) ▪ Implementation of Standard, Exception Standard through legislation, regulation ▪ Regional water conservation objectives ▪ Science – including collaborative science strategy ▪ Availability of applications, records of decisions ▪ Creation of Regional Body (i.e., 10 premiers / governors or their designate, election of Chair/Vice Chair, administration, information publicly accessible) ▪ Dispute Resolution ▪ Final Provisions (i.e., relationship to <i>Boundary Waters Treaty</i>, relationship to First Nations, amendments, termination) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Preamble ▪ Chapter 1 ▪ Article 208 ▪ Article 202 ▪ Article 304, par 1 ▪ Article 302 ▪ Article 303 ▪ Chapter 4 ▪ Chapter 6 ▪ Chapter 7
Within 1 year of signing (December 13, 2006)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional Body meets at least once 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 401, par 3
Within 2 years of signing (December 13, 2007)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Basin-wide water conservation objectives identified by Regional Body 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 304, par 1
60 days after all Parties notify that measures completed to implement these provisions (i.e. legislation/ regulation/ policy needed to implement diversion prohibition etc.)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Prohibition of diversions ▪ Management, regulation of exceptions to prohibition, exceptions standard ▪ Standard for withdrawals, consumptive uses ▪ Applicability (e.g. baseline data, timing, bulk transfers, hydrologic units, Illinois diversion) ▪ Regional Review process, proposals subject to regional review ▪ Regional Body seeks to establish mechanisms to facilitate scientific, technical interaction, data exchange and dialogue / input from First Nations, Tribes on matters dealt with by Regional Body ▪ Water Management, Conservation Program Review ▪ Periodic Assessment of Cumulative Impacts, amendments to standard, exception standard (first assessment to occur the earliest of: 5 years or when cumulative losses reach 50 million gallons or at the request of one or more Parties) ▪ Opportunity for Judicial Review of decisions by other Parties 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 200, par1,2 ▪ Article 201 ▪ Article 203 ▪ Article 207 ▪ Chapter 5, Article 204 ▪ Chapter 5, Article 504 ▪ Article 304 ▪ Article 209 ▪ Article 210
1 year after all Parties put implementation measures in place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Parties submit baseline data for determining new or increased water withdrawals, diversions, consumptive uses (list of water users, permitted or system capacity) ▪ Parties submit first report of their Water Management, Conservation Programs to Regional Body for regional review-to be submitted every 5 years thereafter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 207, par 1 ▪ Article 300, par.4
Within 2 years after all Parties put	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Parties develop water conservation goals, objectives and implement water conservation and efficiency 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 304, par.2

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<i>implementation measures in place</i>	program – program to be annually assessed (available to public) and shall report to Regional Body every 5 years	
<p>Whichever is Sooner:</p> <p>- 60 days after last Party has completed the <i>legislation/regulation/policy needed to implement</i></p> <p align="center">OR</p> <p>-5 years after all Parties put <i>measures in place to implement diversion prohibition (above)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Parties establish program for management, regulation of withdrawals, consumptive uses consistent with standard ▪ Withdrawal, consumptive use proposals subject to prior notice and comment ▪ Implementation of information management requirements (e.g. annual submission of water use information to regional database; mandatory water use reporting by Basin water users) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 200, par.3 ▪ Article 205 ▪ Article 301
<p><i>Annually</i> once measures in place</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Parties assess water conservation programs in meeting their goals and objectives ▪ Parties gather and submit water use information to regional data base repository ▪ Water users report their monthly water use ▪ Regional Body shall meet at least once annually (begins at signing) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 304, par. 2 ▪ Article 301, par. 2 ▪ Article 301, par. 3 ▪ Article 401, par. 3
<p><i>5 years after</i> all Parties put <i>implementation measures in place</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ First review of basin-wide water conservation objectives by Regional Body –modification if appropriate – to be conducted every 5 years 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 304, par. 3
<p><i>Every 5 years</i> once measures in place</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Parties submit report of water management, conservation programs for regional review by Regional Body ▪ Regional Body review of basin-wide conservation objectives ▪ Periodic assessment of cumulative impacts at least every 5 years (<u>or</u> when cumulative losses reach 50 million gallons <u>or</u> at the request of one or more Parties) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 300, par. 4 ▪ Article 304, par. 3 ▪ Article 209, par. 3
<p>Interim Provisions</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ The terms, agreements and review processes contained in the <i>Great Lakes Charter</i> of 1985 will remain in full force and effect until replaced by the terms of this Agreement (e.g. Prior Notice and Consultation on proposed diversions, consumptive uses 5 mgd or greater; sharing of water use information etc.) ▪ Unanimous approval of 8 governors for any diversion out of the Basin under the U.S. Water Resources Development Act will also remain in full force ▪ Until Regional Review provisions of the Agreement come into force, the Regional Body will be used to conduct Prior Notice and Consultation activities under the Great Lakes Charter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Article 709, par. 5