



**Official Meeting of the
National and Governmental Advisory Committees to the
U.S. Representative to the Commission for Environmental
Cooperation**

**October 23-24, 2008
COCOPAH CONFERENCE CENTER
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*Final 10/20/08***

AGENDA

~ Cottonwood Conference Room~

Thursday, October 23, 2008

- 8:00 am **Registration**

- 8:30 am **Call to Order & Introductions**
Oscar Carrillo, Designated Federal Officer, EPA

- 9:00 am **Tribal Welcome & Blessing**
Sherry Cordova, Cocopah Indian Tribe
Colin Soto, Tribal Elder’s Advocate

- 9:10 am **Remarks**
Rafael DeLeon, Director, Office of Cooperative Environmental
Management, EPA

- 9:15 am **Overview & Approval of Agenda**
Dolores Wesson, Chair of the National Advisory Committee
Jeff Wennberg, Chair of the Governmental Advisory Committee

I. REGIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

- 9:25 am **Regional Water Issues**
Placido Dos Santos, Arizona Water Quality Institute

- 10:20 am **BREAK**

- 10:30 am **U.S. Wetland Reforestation Projects**

Garrit Voggeser, *National Wildlife Federation*

11:30 pm **Mexico Wetland Restoration Projects**
Francisco Zamora, *Sonora Institute*

12:30 pm **LUNCH**

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II. UPDATE ON SPECIFIC PROJECTS IN THE OPERATIONAL PLAN

2:00 pm **Update on U.S. Priorities and Guidance**
Sylvia Correa, CEC Team Leader, Office of International Affairs, EPA

2:25 pm **Operational Plan Update & Status of Strategic Plan**
Evan Lloyd, Director of Programs, CEC Secretariat

3:00 pm **Mapping North American Environmental Issues Update**
Jay Donnelly, U.S. Geological Survey

3:30 pm **State of the Environment in North America Report Update**
Guy Tomassoni, Office of Environmental Information, EPA

4:00 pm **BREAK**

4:10 pm **Biodiversity Update**
Liz English, NOAA

4:40 pm **JPAC Report-out**
Jean Guy Dépôt, Member, Joint Public Advisory Committee (JPAC)

5:00 pm **Public Comment Period**

5:15 pm **ADJOURN**

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III. BUSINESS MEETING

- 7:00 am **Committees Meet Jointly**
- Approval and signing of April '08 meeting minutes
 - Discussion of 2009 meeting dates
- 7:30 am **Committees Meet in Separate Sessions**
GAC meets in *Shell Room*
NAC stays in *Cottonwood Room*
- 9:45 am **Committees Reconvene in Plenary Session**
Report-outs from NAC/GAC Chairs
- 9:55 am **Public Comment Period**
- 10:00 am **ADJOURN**