



Commission for Environmental Cooperation of North America

Provisional Agenda – 1 October

**Public Workshop on
Freshwater Issues in North America**

3 October 2002

**Crowne Plaza Albuquerque – Pyramid
5151 San Francisco Road North East
Albuquerque, New Mexico**

8:00 – 9:00 **Registration – Coffee and croissants**

9:00 – 9:15 **Introduction – Jon Plaut, Joint Public Advisory Committee (JPAC) Chair**

SESSION I

9:15 – 9:30 **Overview of meeting purpose, agenda and CEC steps -to-date
Tim Whitehouse, Head, Law and Policy Program**

9:30 – 9:45 **Questions and comments**

SESSION II

9:45 – 10:15 **Overview of water priorities in Mexico, United States and Canada
Sergio Ramos, Director of Analysis and Design of Ecological Tools, Semarnat
Oscar Ramírez, Deputy Director, Water Quality Protection Division, EPA Region 6
Jennifer Moore, Director General, Ecosystems and Environmental Resources, EC**

10:15 – 10:30 *Break*

10:30 – 11:00 **Questions and comments**

SESSION III

11:00 – 12:00 **Border water issues, United States/Mexico and United States/Canada**

United States/Canada

Dennis Schornack, Chairman, U.S. Section, IJC

Jennifer Moore, EC

United States/Mexico

Bobby Ybarra, Foreign Affairs Officer, IBWC

Dr. Polioptro Martínez, Coordinator of Border Affairs, CNA

Oscar Ramírez, EPA

12:00 - 12:45 **Questions and comments**

12:45-2:00 *Lunch*

SESSION IV

- 2:00 – 2:30** **Review of CEC draft summary of water issues**
 Tim Whitehouse, Head, Law and Policy Program
 Greg Thomas, President, National Heritage Institute
- 2:30 – 4:00** **Questions and comments**
- 4:00 – 4:15** **Next steps and closing remarks**
 Tim Whitehouse, Head, Law and Policy Program
 Jon Plaut, Joint Public Advisory Committee (JPAC) Chair
- 4:15– 4:30* *Break*

End of Public Workshop

- 4:30 – 5:30** **Joint Public Advisory Committee (JPAC) discussion on the draft advice to Council on freshwater issues in North America***
- 5:30 – 6:30** **Reception in memory of John Wirth, former JPAC member**

* Session open to the public as observers.