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### [Public consultations by the IJC on the governments' review of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement](#)

The IJC thanks the more than 4000 individuals and organizations who took part in this process. The report synthesizing all the comments it received is in production and is scheduled for release in March. Click on the link to see a description of the consultation as well as transcripts and summaries of the public meetings and the Web dialogue.

#### Recent Press Releases

**IJC Releases Synthesis of Public Comment on Progress under Canada-United States Air Quality Agreement**

**First-ever report on children's health and environment indicators in North America released today by CEC, IJC, and partners**

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#### **International Joint Commission - Mission Statement**

The International Joint Commission prevents and resolves disputes between the United States of America and Canada under the *1909 Boundary Waters Treaty* and pursues the common good of both countries as an independent and objective advisor to the two governments.

In particular, the Commission rules upon applications for approval of projects affecting boundary or transboundary waters and may regulate the operation of these projects; it assists the two countries in the protection of the transboundary environment, including the implementation of the *Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement* and the improvement of transboundary air quality; and it alerts the governments to emerging issues along the boundary that may give rise to bilateral disputes.

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