

New Report: Michigan, Federal Government Can Jump-start Economy, Restore Great Lakes

Statement from Jeff Skelding, national campaign director, Healing Our Waters-Great Lakes Coalition, on release of Michigan Great Lakes Plan

ANN ARBOR, MICH. (January 13, 2009)—“The Healing Our Waters-Great Lakes Coalition applauds Lt. Gov. Cherry, office of the Great Lakes and the thousands of Michigan citizens who contributed to the Michigan Great Lakes Plan.

“The report underscores the urgent need for states and the federal government to work collaboratively to both jump-start the economy and heal the Great Lakes. We can accomplish both if Congress and the Obama administration seize the opportunity now to fund important priorities before the problems get worse and the solutions more costly.

“We encourage all of the Great Lakes states to identify the most effective ways they can implement solutions to protect our lakes, drinking water, jobs, public health and way of life.”

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