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## **SHEDD HOLDS A PUBLIC FORUM WITH REGIONAL LEADERS TO DISCUSS ASIAN CARP AND PROTECTING THE GREAT LAKES**

*As part of an ongoing series, Great Lakes state and city officials discuss modernization of local waterway infrastructure and solutions to invasive species issues*

**WHAT:** Shedd Aquarium will host a public meeting to share information and talk about the future of critical local waterways as part of the ongoing series created by the Great Lakes Commission and Great Lakes & St. Lawrence Cities Initiative, titled *Envisioning a Chicago Area Waterway System for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*.

The bi-national coalition of mayors, state and province officials is developing and evaluating options to stop the spread of Asian carp and other invasive species, specifically by separating the Mississippi River and Great Lakes watersheds in the Chicago area. The initiative is also assessing ways to improve other aspects of the system, including transportation, water quality and storm water management.

**WHEN:** **Thursday, Oct. 20:** 9a.m. – noon

**WHERE:** John G. Shedd Aquarium, Phelps Auditorium (South Lobby Entrance)  
1200 S. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago  
[www.sheddaquarium.org](http://www.sheddaquarium.org)

**MEDIA:** Media interested to attend the meeting should contact Shedd Public Relations (312/692-3330) or PCI (312) 558-1770, ext. 158) to RSVP.

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