



A Great River Runs Through us

What is a RAP?

Remedial Action Plans are required plans for areas in the Great Lakes Basin that are designated as Areas of Concern due to their environmental degradation. These plans are developed locally to ensure that the environmental issues affecting each specific Area of Concern will be addressed.

Did you know that the St. Lawrence River is an Area of Concern?

What is a Beneficial Use Impairment (BUI)?

A BUI exists where significant chemical, physical or biological degradation has occurred as a result of historic or ongoing human activity at a local level.

The following BUIs remain impaired in the St. Lawrence River (Cornwall) Area of Concern. Remediation efforts are still underway.

Poor environmental conditions in the St. Lawrence River at Cornwall resulted in it being named an Area of Concern in 1987. It has taken many years to carry out the actions identified in the St. Lawrence River Remedial Action Plan, but the hard work has resulted in noticeable improvements. The river is recovering from a long history of negative impacts.

IMPAIRED



Restrictions on Fish and Wildlife Consumption



Loss of Fish and Wildlife Habitat



Beach Closings (Recreational Use)



Degradation of Fish and Wildlife Populations



Eutrophication or Undesirable Algae

NEEDS FURTHER ASSESSMENT



Fish Tumors and Other Deformities



Degradation of Phytoplankton and Zooplankton Populations

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