Sub-basin Committees in the Gulf Hypoxia Action Plan

2021 Gulf Hypoxia Task Force Meeting

December 14, 2021

Image: Stratfor 2016

2001 Gulf Hypoxia Action Plan

States and Tribes in the Basin, in consultation with the Task Force, will establish sub-basin committees to coordinate implementation of the Action Plan by major sub-basins, including coordination among smaller watersheds, Tribes, and States in each of those sub-basins…
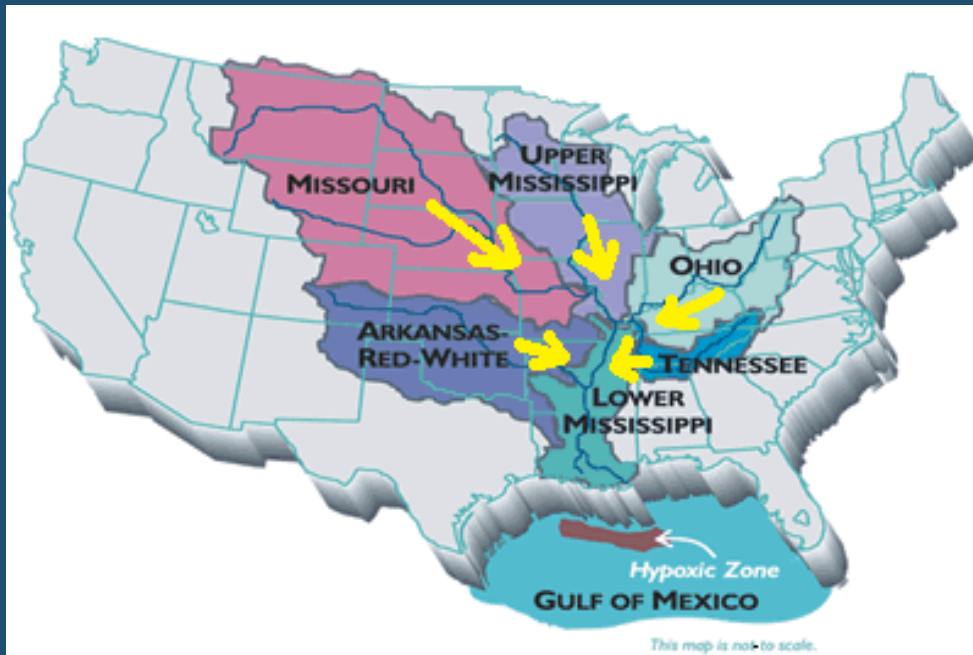
Hypoxia Action Plan Sub-basin Committees 2021

Upper Mississippi River Basin Association (UMRBA)

Lower Mississippi River Sub-basin Committee (LMRSBC)

Ohio River Sanitation Commission (ORSANCO)

Basin/Sub-basin Scale Activities – Collaboration, Partnerships

- USDA Landscape Initiatives: MRBI, RCPP
- SERA-46 Land Grant University Consortium
- Upper Mississippi River Conservation Committee
- Upper Mississippi River Restoration Program
- Lower Mississippi River Conservation Committee
- Lower Mississippi River Restoration Study
- Ohio River Basin Restoration Study
- America's Watershed Initiative
- Mississippi River Cities and Towns Initiative
- Private efforts: Ducks Unlimited, Nature Conservancy, Conservation Fund, Restore the Earth Foundation, etc.

Gulf Hypoxia Action Plan Collateral Benefits on the Sub-basin Level

SBC's are Advocates for the Action Plan: Collaboration, Education, Outreach at the Sub-basin, Basin, National levels.
Action Plan Collateral Benefits, Related Aims:

- Agricultural Productivity, Resilience
- Climate Resilience, GHG Reduction
- Drinking Water Protection
- Ecosystem Protection & Restoration
- Flood Risk Reduction – Natural Infrastructure
- Harmful Algal Bloom (HAB) Prevention

Thank you

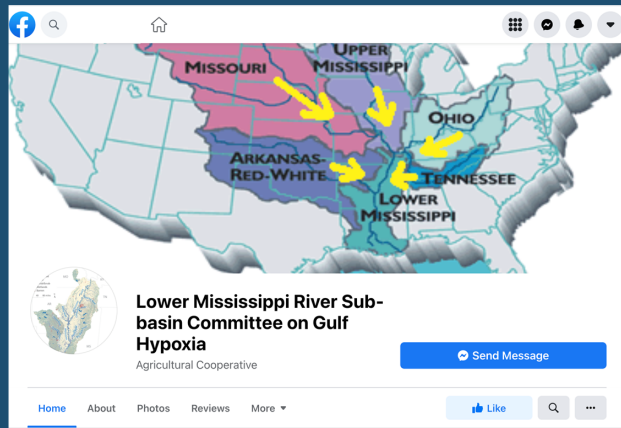**Doug Daigle**

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2020 Gulf Hypoxic Zone Measurement Mapping Cruise July 25-August 1, 2020

2,117 square miles/5,048 square km

Size smaller than forecast due to lower Mississippi River level, Tropical Storm/Hurricane Hanna