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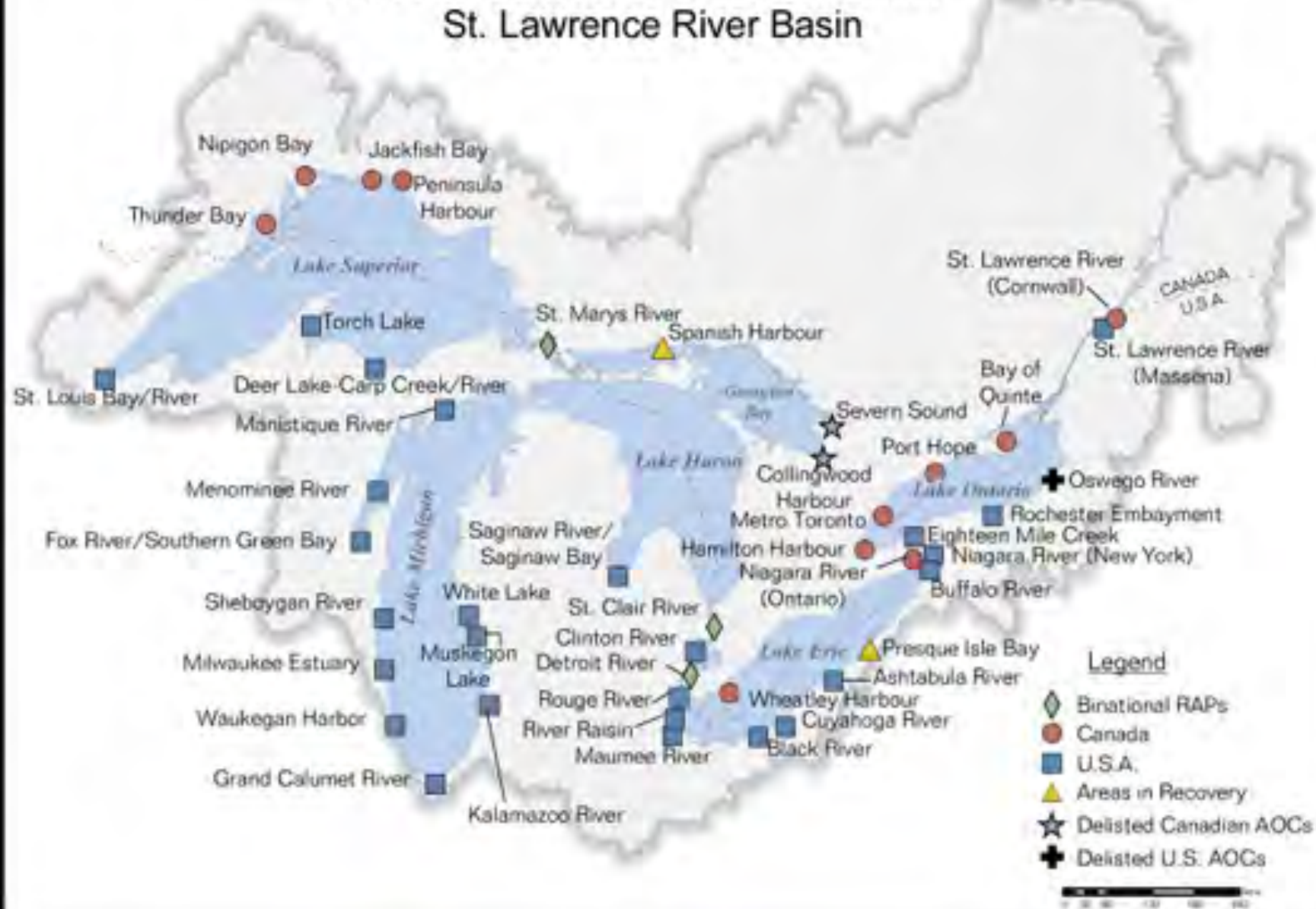
***BE***

***DONE???***

# Sediment contamination

- Problem: Largest major source of pollutants in the Great Lakes food chain
- Action Step: \$2.25 billion to clean up toxic hot-spots by 2020

## Areas of Concern in the Great Lakes - St. Lawrence River Basin



# Loss of wetlands

Problem: 2/3 of Great Lakes coastal wetlands lost

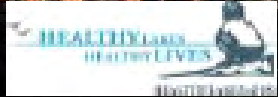
Action step: funding to restore 1 million acres and better protection for existing wetlands





# Great Lakes Restoration & the Threat of Global Warming

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**Great Lakes Compact  
and  
The Great Lakes-  
St. Lawrence River Basin**

**Sustainable Water  
Resources Agreement**

# ***WHAT HAS LMILO BEEN DOING IN THE LAST FEW YEARS?***

**Educating the public**

**Meeting with Leagues**

**Encouraging passage of resolutions on  
Great Lakes issues**

**Meeting with elected officials**

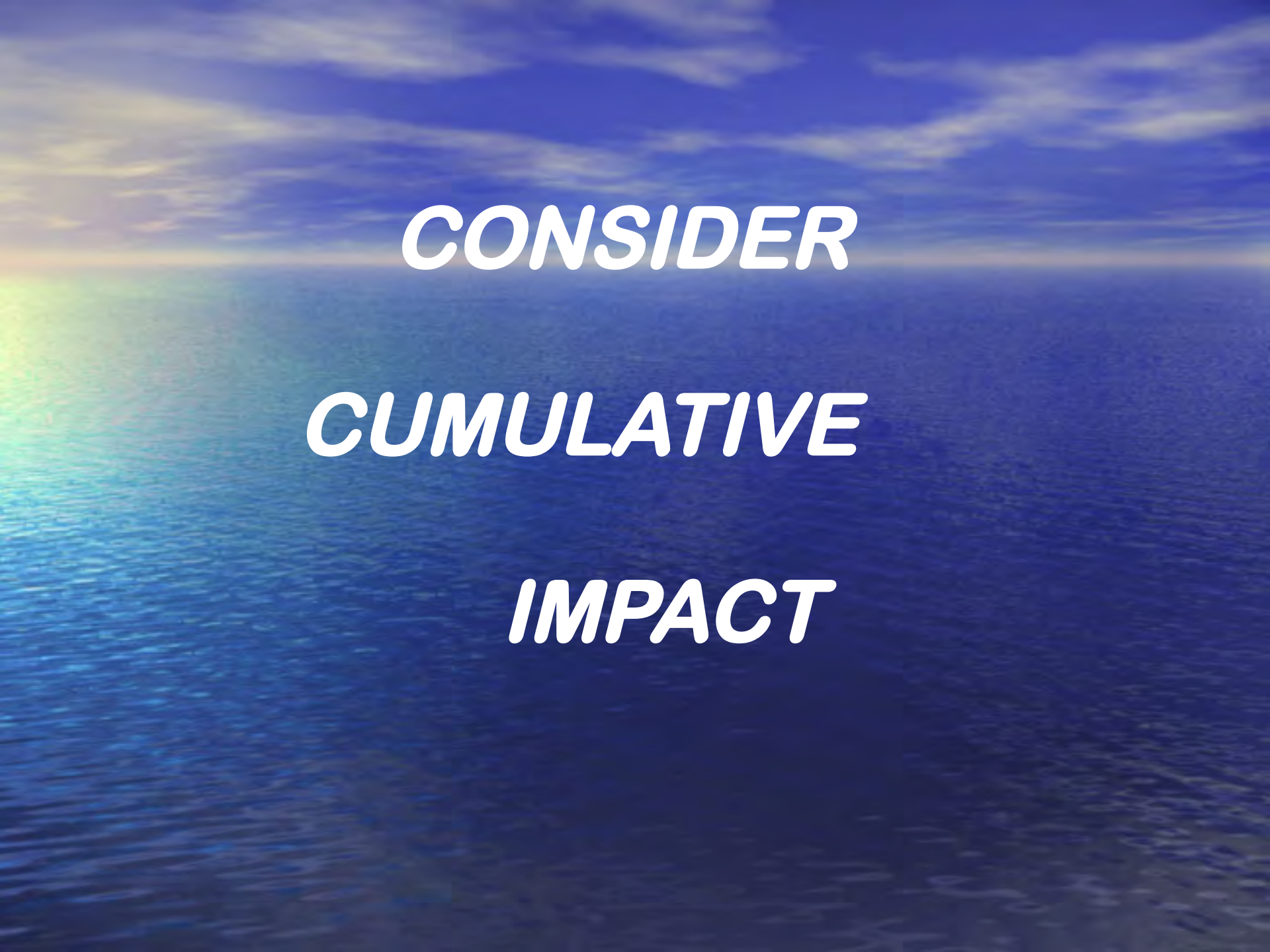


**In 2005 industries in the two counties  
in Indiana  
discharged into Lake Michigan**

**2,098,481 pounds**

**of chemical pollutants**

**into Lake Michigan**



***CONSIDER  
CUMULATIVE  
IMPACT***

# WHAT CAN YOUR LEAGUE DO FOR THE LAKE?

Write letters to the editor.

Ask your local, state, and federal legislators to be leaders in caring for the Great Lakes by:

- Setting funds aside for restoration
- Support the Implementation of the Compact
- Create a Natural Resource Position on your Board
- Establish a Citizens Committee for the Little Calumet Watershed

Become an active participant by:

- Attending the LMLWV Annual Meeting
- Responding to action alerts.
- Sponsor more educational Programs on The Great Lakes

A serene sunset scene over a large body of water. The sun is low on the horizon, casting a bright orange and yellow glow across the sky and reflecting on the water's surface. The sky transitions from a deep orange near the horizon to a dark blue at the top. In the foreground, the dark silhouettes of trees and bushes are visible against the bright light of the sunset.

**Ancient Indian Proverb:**

***Treat the earth well:***

***We do not inherit the Earth from our Ancestors,***

***We borrow it from our Children."***