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Review of the IRIS Process. November 5-6, 2013, Washington, DC.

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**SETAC North America 34th Annual Meeting.** November 17-21, 2013 in Nashville, TN.

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Briefing on New and Emerging Information Related to Hydraulic Fracturing. November 20, 2013 - teleconference.

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2014 WateReuse California Annual Conference.

March 16-18, 2014 in Newport Beach, CA.

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**29th Annual WateReuse Symposium.** September 7-10, 2014 in Dallas, TX.

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**GWPC 2014 Annual Forum.** October 6-8, 2014 in Seattle, WA.

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# Ecological Systems Approach to Protect and Restore Sustainable Water Quality and Water Quantity on a Watershed Basis

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Watershed Modeling to Assess the Sensitivity of Streamflow, Nutrient, and Sediment Loads to Potential Climate Change and Urban Development in 20 U.S. Watersheds. Climate change impacts on streamflow and water quality.

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Reassessment 2013: Assessing Progress Made

**Since 2008.** Hypoxia Task Force reports on progress and need to accelerate reduction of nutrient pollution in Mississippi River and Gulf of Mexico.

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Aquatic Life Ambient Water Quality Criteria For Ammonia – Freshwater 2013. Final national recommended water quality criteria for protection of aquatic life from toxic effects of ammonia in freshwater.

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Connectivity of Streams and Wetlands to Downstream Waters: A Review and Synthesis of the Scientific Evidence. Review of peer reviewed literature to inform rulemaking to enhance protection of the nation's waters by clarifying CWA jurisdiction.

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National Stormwater Calculator. Desktop application that estimates annual amount of rainwater and frequency of runoff from a specific site anywhere in U.S.

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Toolkit of Resources to Provide States with Flexibility in Adopting and Implementing Numeric Nutrient Criteria. Provides states with flexibility in adopting and implementing numeric nutrient criteria.

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Literature Synthesis on Climate Change Implications for Water and Environmental Resources. Technical Memorandum 86-68210-2013-06. Summary of recent literature on current and projected effects of climate change on hydrology and water resources.

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Modeling Guidance for Developing Site-Specific Nutrient Goals. DePinto, J.V., 2013. WERF Project No: LINK1T11. Guidance and tools for use of models to set waterbody-specific nutrient goals, including Numeric Nutrient Criteria and allowable loadings.

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Lower Rio Grande Basin Study. Evaluates impacts of climate change on water demand and supply imbalances along the Rio Grande.

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Swimming Upstream: Freshwater Fish in a Warming World. National Wildlife Federation. Threats to freshwater fish from climate change; protection strategies.

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DELTA WATERS: Research to Support Integrated Water and Environmental Management in the Lower Mississippi River. National Research Council. Guidance for the Water Institute of the Gulf on integrated water resources management.

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**USGS** – Ecological Health in the Nation's Streams, 1993-2005. Circular 1391. National assessment finds ecological health of streams is reduced by streamflow modifications and contaminants.

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Oceans and Marine Resources in a Changing Climate. U.S. Global Change Research Program. Report summarizes climate change impacts on U.S. oceans and marine resources.

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Water Quality Impacts of Extreme Weather-Related Events. Stanford, B.D., 2013. WRF Project No. 4324. Identifies and characterizes water quality impacts of extreme weather related events; provides lessons learned.

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Abrupt Impacts of Climate Change: Anticipating Surprises. National Research Council. Examines abrupt climate change and its potential impacts; recommends development of an Abrupt Change Early Warning System.

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Effects of Wildfire on Drinking Water Utilities and Best Practices for Wildfire Risk Reduction and Mitigation. Sham, C.H. et al., 2013. WRF Project No. 4482. Impacts of wildfire on drinking water quality; lessons learned for prevention and preparedness.

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