

**United States - Canada Hydrographic Commission (USCHC)
45th Meeting - 9-10 June 2023, Ottawa-Canada**



AGENDA Item #17- Friday June 10, 2022

16h00PM 10 minutes International Hydrographic Review (IHR) Update.
Update Report prepared by: Denis Hains, USCHC Rep on IHR Editorial Board
Presented by Doug Brunt

Background

The IHR is published twice a year in May and November of each year with respective deadlines of submission for end of January and end of July.

3 Types of info published:

- Scientific & Technical PEER REVIEWED Articles;
 - Informative Notes (1,500 Words) reviewed by one member of the Editorial Board;
 - General Info, such as Appointments & Obituaries.
- USCHC appointed Denis Hains as their Representative on the IHR Editorial Board on March 16, 2019. 6 IHR Editions since: 4 - May & November 2019 + May & November 2020 + May & November 2021 + upcoming May 2022... to be published soon.
 - Ian Halls from Australia Editor-in-Chief : until May 2019 Edition Vol.21
 - Alberto Costa Neves from IHO Secretariat: for one Edition November 2019 Vol.22 transition
 - Brian Connon from USA Editor-in-Chief : From January 2020 to January 2022 (4 editions)
 - **NEW** Dr. Patrick Westfeld from Germany appointed Editor-in-Chief: January 2022 with first upcoming Edition May 2022 Vol.27 in the coming weeks.
- ✳️ **There has been major positive improvement in the Number of the USCHC: Articles, especially Notes and also info. In the last éditions and the upcoming one**
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Update

At USCHC-44 it was agreed that while ensuring high standards - It would be desirable to have a TARGET of about 10 Peer-Reviewed Articles + 10 Notes + 2 General Info per IHR ISSUE as a total. With a target



One Peer-Reviewed Article per issue - 2 per year
One Note per issue - 2 per year



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One co-produced USCHC Peer-Review Article per year
One co-produced USCHC Note per year

US provided a 3 year Plan of suggested Articles and Notes

Canada 3 year Plan of suggested Articles and Plan is **still pending**

USCHC-45 RECOMMENDED ACTION ITEMS:

- 1- US update its 3 year-Plan with topics by end of September 2022;
- 2- Canada produce its 3 year-plan with topics by end of September 2022;
- 3- Designate US & Canada LEADERS per topic according to the 3 year-Plan per IHR Issue to ensure quality and in-time production of the papers in coordination with the USCHC Representative on the IHR Editorial Board; and,
- 4- Maintain a standing agenda item, “IHR Contributions” for the USCHC meetings so that the plan can be reviewed and revised on a yearly basis.