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Best Practices in Regional Cooperation

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Notable Facts about the Great Lakes

• Largest system of fresh surface water on Earth containing roughly 84 percent of North America’s fresh surface water

• The basin is home to roughly 30 million people in the U.S. and Canada

• Provide drinking water to 40 million people in the U.S. and Canada (1 in 4 Canadians, 1 in 10 Americans)

• Supply 56 billion gallons of water per day for municipal, agricultural, and industrial use

• The Great Lakes- St. Lawrence region supplies 46 million jobs and contributes $232 billion (US dollars) to trade between the U.S. and Canada