§ 14-0111. Report to the governor and legislature.

The New York ocean and Great Lakes ecosystem conservation council shall deliver a report to the governor and the legislature by November first, two thousand eight which shall:

1. demonstrate improvements that can be accomplished in the eastern Lake Ontario and the Long Island great south bay coastal ecosystems through ecosystem-based management in cooperation with resource managers, local governments, industry, conservation and community-based organizations, and academic and research institutions;

2. define executive and legislative actions necessary to integrate ecosystem-based management with existing programs needed to advance the coastal ecosystem principles;

3. include a plan, schedule, and funding opportunities for implementation of executive actions necessary to advance the policy and principles in section 14-0103 of this article;

4. create an ocean and coastal resources atlas to make information available to the public and decision makers;

5. establish a research agenda that identifies priority issues in need of further research to enhance ecosystem-based management;

6. recommend actions to preserve, restore and protect submerged aquatic vegetation populations and meadows; and

7. identify opportunities for regional ecosystem-based management with neighboring states and the federal government.