

Stakeholder Input Group
Milwaukee Estuary Area of Concern

Is there adequate fish habitat in the Milwaukee Estuary?

June 2, 2011, 2-4 p.m.

Department of Natural Resources Building
2300 N Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr, Milwaukee

Host: Megan O'Shea, Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources

Facilitator: Gail Epping Overholt, University of Wisconsin-Extension

Guest Presenter: Dr. Tom Slawski, Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission

Agenda:

- 1) Introductions
- 2) Group Agreements
- 3) Meeting Purpose and Desired Outcomes, *Megan O'Shea, DNR*

Purpose:

- i) To review briefly the Area of Concern (AOC) program.
 - ii) To review progress that's been made (with regard to fish habitat) in the Milwaukee AOC since the beginning of the program.
 - iii) To obtain stakeholder input on what actions are adequate for addressing fish habitat and populations in the Area of Concern.
- b) Desired Outcomes:
- i) DNR has obtained input on proposed targets related to fish habitat and populations in the geographic area of interest.
 - ii) DNR has obtained comments on lists of projects that address fish habitat and populations (past and present).
 - iii) DNR has obtained input about which projects or actions, if any, are still necessary to address the impairment.
- 4) Working Input Session – *Megan O'Shea, DNR and Tom Slawski, SEWRPC*
 - a) How did the Estuary become an “Area of Concern”?
 - b) How do conditions in the Milwaukee Estuary compare today to those in the late 1970s?
 - c) What fish habitat/population goals are reasonable and what should we strive to achieve through this program?
 - d) Projects that have helped alleviate the impairment – past and present.
 - e) What are critical future actions (projects) to address the impairment?
 - f) Additional concerns related to fish habitat and populations?
 - 5) Summarize Input Session – *Gail Epping Overholt, UWEX*