

Wisconsin Conservation Congress Mississippi River Advisory Committee

Prairie du Chien Public Library
125 S Wacouta Ave
Prairie du Chien, WI 53821
August 10, 2019 at 9:30 am



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Mississippi River Advisory Committee of the Wisconsin Conservation Congress will convene at 9:30 am on August 10, 2019 at the Prairie du Chien Public Library, 125 S. Wacouta Ave, Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin. The committee will review and act on the items listed on this agenda.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that following the meeting at approximately 12:30 pm, members of the Mississippi River Advisory Committee of the Wisconsin Conservation Congress will participate in a tour beginning at 101 Water Street, Marquette, Iowa (the Marquette marina). The tour will be an opportunity to look at the results of the unprecedented 2019 flooding and high water (which is now rapidly receding) on sedimentation, fish habitat and forest health as well as the East Channel of the Mississippi in Prairie du Chien which has been the focus of mussel rescue, research and populations of endangered Higgins Eye mussels for several decades. <http://maidenvoyagetours.com/>

ORDER OF BUSINESS

I. Organizational Matters

- A. Call to order
- B. Roll call
- C. Agenda approval or repair
- D. Review committee mission statement:

Within and to the support of Wisconsin Conservation Congress process; it is the mission of the Mississippi River Committee (MRC) to advise the Wisconsin NRB on issues, rules, or policies which affect the river and/or other associated natural resources.

The MRC strives to stay acquainted with current river resource management; the science in support or opposition to that management; and with public opinion thereof. The MRC encourages river management agencies to seek public participation in management decisions or policy. Influence stemming from the MRC shall be generated with greatest intentions toward long term benefits to all fish and wildlife resources; and with an emphasis toward preserving public access and harvest of game resources, (i.e., preserving outdoor heritage activities of hunting, fishing, and trapping).

E. Public comments

*Citizens who wish to address the committee should contact the committee chair (Michael Britton at 715-234-0096) prior to **August 8, 2019**.*

II. Information & Action Items

- A. Citizen resolutions - none
- B. Department information items & updates
 - 1. DNR Fisheries updates

- 2. Law enforcement update
- C. USFWS update
- D. Invasive species—plants/fish
- E. Impacts of 2019 river flooding and high water
- F. Bow fishing—noise, overharvest
- G. Big Mouth Buffalo protection
- H. Sturgeon
- I. MN/IA group license
- J. Bait harvest
- K. Potential meeting in Feb/March in addition to the Aug/Sept meeting
- L. Corp of Engineer Update –Including COE Mississippi River Master Plan (public comment period open until September 15, 2019)

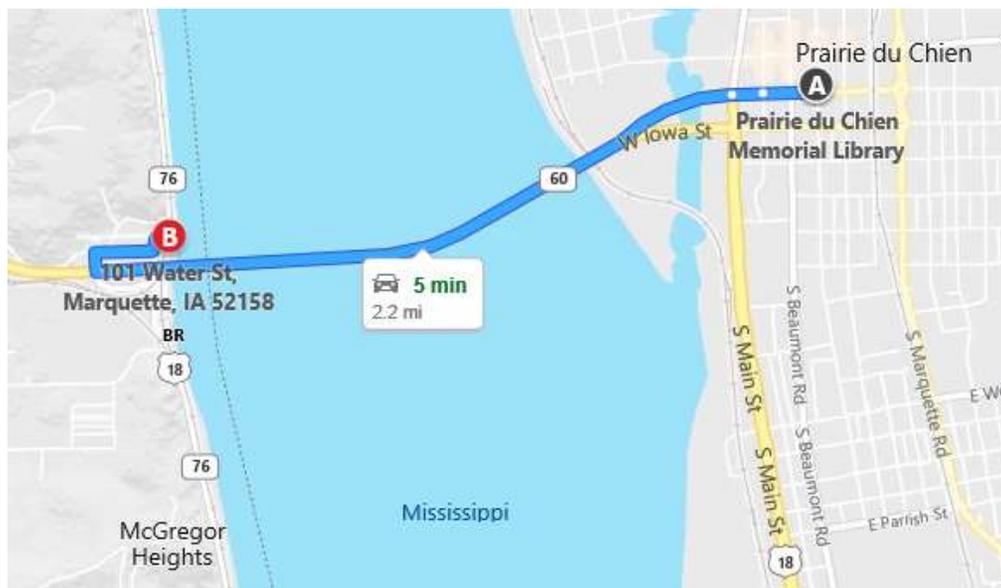
III. Member Matters

IV. Adjournment

Give Us Your Feedback:

Following your committee meeting, please take the time to complete the WCC Advisory Committee Evaluation Form and provide leadership with input and feedback on how well the committee functioned.

Visit <http://dnr.wi.gov/about/wcc/local.html> and click on Advisory Committee Evaluation Form under Delegate Resources.



Committee Chair and Vice Chair:

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NOTE: Per the WCC Code of Procedures VII.J.3, committee members must notify the committee chair or vice-chair no less than 5 days prior to the scheduled meeting to confirm your attendance.