
Susan Thornton, Director

July 21, 2010 Minnesota River Site Visit Agenda

7:00 a.m. Depart from State Office Building (please be ready to go by 7:00 a.m.)

As sent in invitation:

9:30 a.m. Arrive & load busses at Heartland Express Parking lot (612 E Lincoln in Olivia - across from Courthouse)

10:00 a.m. Depart promptly enroute to the Minnesota River

10:15 a.m. Stop near upper end of Beaver Creek – brief presentation by Pat Baskfield of MPCA focusing on improved water quality in the creek

10:30 a.m. Back on the bus

11:00 a.m. Arrive at the Minnesota River

11:15 a.m. Canoes depart (buses will transport participants who are not canoeing to the end point of the canoe trip)

11:30 a.m. Canoes arrive at sandbar

- Brief presentation by DNR Fisheries
- Opportunity to fish or just relax

From 11:30 – 1:00 those who are not canoeing will have a presentation by DNR Fisheries in addition to the opportunity to tour the area with staff, to fish from the riverbank, to ask questions of staff or to just relax.

12:30 p.m. Back in the canoes and paddle to destination

1:00 p.m. Lunch

- Short presentation on the history of the Minnesota River by Joe Hauger, MPCA

1:00 p.m. – 3:00** Participants can choose from the following:

- Tour wooded Rock Outcrop site
- Tour prairie Rock Outcrop site
- Fish from riverbank
- Visit with presenters and others

3:00 p.m. Bus(es) will depart for the SWCD Office in Olivia arriving about 3:30 p.m.

Anyone wishing to extend the day is welcome to canoe with SWCD staff an additional 3.5 miles

** There will be a bus available to take people back to Olivia before 3:00 p.m.

3:30 p.m. Depart from Olivia

6:30 p.m. Estimated return time to State Office Building

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Olivia is located at the intersection of Hwy 71 & Hwy 212. The Heartland Express Parking lot is located at 612 E Lincoln (Lincoln is Highway 212) right across the street from the Courthouse. Adequate Parking is available.

