



MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT

October 24-25, 2023

St. Louis, Missouri

Tuesday, October 24

- UMRBA Board Members' Breakfast 7:30 a.m. – 9:30 a.m.
- UMRBA Quarterly Meeting 10:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.
- UMRR Partner Quarterly Pre-Meetings*
 - Corps of Engineers 3:45 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
 - Department of the Interior 3:45 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
 - States 3:45 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 25

- UMRR Coordinating Committee Quarterly Meeting* 8:00 a.m. – 2:40 p.m.

LOCATION: Hampton Inn-Gateway Arch Downtown
333 Washington Avenue
St. Louis, Missouri 63102

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS: A block of rooms is available at the Hampton Inn-Gateway Arch for those who require overnight accommodations. The government rate for a single room is \$150 plus tax. You can make your reservation via the following link: [Reservations](#). Be sure to **Edit Stay** to specify your dates as the web site automatically offers 1 night before and after the event. Or you can call the hotel at **314-621-7900** and refer to Upper Mississippi River when making your reservations. The cut-off date is **Saturday, October 7th**.

AIRPORT TRANSPORTATION: Three options if not renting a car:

- 1) Metrolink is \$2.50. Exit the train at the 'Convention Center' stop at 6th Street and Washington Ave. Continue walking 2 blocks east to the hotel at the corner of 4th Street and Washington Ave.
- 2) Uber and Lyft are available.
- 3) Taxi is about \$30.00 each way.

PARKING: Overnight hotel guests: \$30 per day, per vehicle, with in & out privileges for Upper Mississippi River overnight hotel guests, who must check in first to get a room key and use the room key to enter the parking garage. Hilton Honors Guests - Digital Check-In and Digital Key are available at this hotel through your Hilton Honors App. With your digital key, you can park and go straight to your room without obtaining a parking key.

Meeting attendees not staying overnight at the hotel have two options:

- Option 1) Daily parking at the rate of \$8. Come into the lobby to the front desk and inform the agent you are here to park for the Upper Mississippi River meeting. They accept cash or credit card.
- Option 2) Early Bird special at the rate of \$10: Park across the street at MAC (Missouri Athletic Club) if you arrive before 9:00 a.m. and leave after 3:00 p.m. They accept \$10 cash only.

QUESTIONS: Contact the UMRBA office at 651-224-2880 or visit the UMRBA web site www.umrba.org.

* In 1987 and in response to Congressional direction that UMRR be implemented in consultation with the Department of the Interior and the states of Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, and Wisconsin, the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers established the UMRR Coordinating Committee to serve as the over-arching body for coordinating issues related to all aspects of UMRR. In this role, the UMRR Coordinating Committee provides the Corps with the partner agencies' perspectives on UMRR policy, budget, and implementation. Per UMRR's authorization, the Corps implements agreements with UMRBA to promote and facilitate this coordination



Upper Mississippi River Basin Association

October 24, 2023

Preliminary Agenda

Time	Topic	Presenter
10:00 a.m.	Call to Order and Introductions	<i>Rick Pohlman, Illinois DNR</i>
10:05	Approval of Minutes of August 8, 2023 Meeting	
10:10	Executive Director's Report	<i>Kirsten Wallace, UMRBA</i>
10:30	UMRBA Water Quality Program Report	<i>Glenn Skuta, Minnesota DNR</i>
11:10	USFWS Nature-Based Projects in the Upper Mississippi River System Floodplain	<i>Sabrina Chandler, USFWS and UMRBA Member States</i>
11:40	NOAA Atlas 15	<i>TBD, NWS</i>
12:00 noon	Lunch	
1:00 p.m.	Drought <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ State and Federal Agency Management Efforts▪ UMRBA Water Availability Cumulative Impact Assessment	<i>UMRBA Board Members and Federal Liaisons Erin Spry, UMRBA</i>
2:00	Missouri River Flood Risk and Resilience Study <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Status Update and Planned Next Steps▪ Flow Frequency Analysis Results	<i>TBD, Missouri and Iowa DNR</i>
2:30	Break	
2:45	Mississippi River Cities and Towns Initiative Proposals <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Mississippi River Compact▪ Safeguarding the Mississippi River Together (SMRT) Act	<i>TBD, MRCTI</i>
3:15	Administrative Issues <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Future Meeting Schedule	
3:30 p.m.	Adjourn	

Upper Mississippi River Restoration Program Coordinating Committee

October 25, 2023
Preliminary Agenda

Tuesday, October 24 Partner Quarterly Pre-Meetings

- 3:45 – 5:30 p.m. Corps of Engineers
3:45 – 5:30 p.m. Department of the Interior
3:45 – 5:30 p.m. States

Wednesday, October 25 UMRR Coordinating Committee Quarterly Meeting

Time	Topic	Presenter
8:00 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions	<i>Brian Chewning, USACE</i>
8:05	Approval of Minutes of May 24, 2023 Meeting	
8:10	Regional Management and Partnership Collaboration <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ FY 2023 Fiscal Update and FY 2024 Outlook▪ Environmental Justice▪ 2023 HREP Selection▪ Scoping Strategic Planning▪ Implementation Issues	<i>Marshall Plumley, USACE</i>
9:10	Strategic Planning Exercise <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Brainstorm Strategic Issues Facing UMRR	<i>All</i>
10:10	Break	
10:20	Communications <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ UMRR Communications Team▪ External Communications and Outreach Events	<i>Rachel Perrine, USACE</i> <i>All</i>
10:50	Program Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Habitat Restoration District Reports – FY 23 HREP Accomplishments	<i>Angela Deen, Julie Millhollin, Brian Markert, USACE</i>
12:10 p.m.	Lunch	

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Wednesday, May 24 UMRR Coordinating Committee Quarterly Meeting

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Time	Attachment	Topic	Presenter
1:10		Program Reports (Continued) <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Long Term Resource Monitoring and Science<ul style="list-style-type: none">– LTRM FY 2023 4th Quarter Highlights– FY 23 LTRM Accomplishments– USACE LTRM Update– A-Team Report– LTRM Implementation Planning Update	Jeff Houser, USGS Davi Michl, USACE Matt O'Hara, IL DNR Jeff Houser, USGS
2:30 p.m.		Other Business Future Meeting Schedule	Brian Chewning, USACE
2:40 p.m.		Adjourn	