

Upper Mississippi River Meetings Announcement

Schedule

Tuesday, February 24

9:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m. Upper Mississippi River Basin Association (UMRBA)
Quarterly Meeting

Meeting web page:

<https://umrba.org/event/umrba-quarterly-meeting/02-24-26>

Wednesday, February 25

8:00 a.m. — 12:00 p.m. Upper Mississippi River Restoration (UMRR) Coordinating Committee
Quarterly Meeting

Meeting web page:

<https://umrba.org/event/umrr-coordinating-committee-quarterly-meeting/02-25-26>

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Logistics, Accommodations, and Public Comment

This meeting will be held virtually.

To Participate Remotely:

UMRBA is currently using the Zoom platform to enable remote participation in UMRBA's quarterly meetings. For security purposes, remote participants are required to register through Zoom prior to connecting to the meeting. This action can be taken at any time, including right before joining the meeting. This information is available on the meeting web page (as provided on the first page).

The Zoom platform offers closed captioning and translates the captions in real-time to another language. Meeting participants can self-enable the captions and select the desired language. Instructions are available on zoom.com. Please also contact UMRBA Nondiscrimination Coordinator, Natalie Lenzen, at umrba@umrba.org, for assistance in enabling the language translation capabilities in Zoom.

To Request Accommodations:

By **February 16, 2026**, submit a request to the UMRBA Nondiscrimination Coordinator, Natalie Lenzen, at umrba@umrba.org, for language assistance service, auxiliary aid or service, and/or another reasonable accommodation.

To Request Special Presentation:

By **February 6, 2026**, submit a request to the UMRBA Executive Director, Kirsten Wallace, at umrba@umrba.org, to reserve a special presentation time during the quarterly meeting of the Upper Mississippi River Basin Association or the Upper Mississippi River Restoration Coordinating Committee.

Questions/Comments: Contact the UMRBA Office at 651-224-2880 or umrba@umrba.org.

Preliminary Agenda
February 24, 2026

Time	Topic	Presenter
9:00 a.m.	Call to Order and Introductions	Wade Strickland, Wisconsin DNR <i>UMRBA Board Chair</i>
9:10	Approval of Minutes of November 18, 2025 Meeting	
9:20	Executive Director's Report	Kirsten Wallace, UMRBA
10:00	Interbasin Diversion Consultation	UMRBA Board Members
	▪ Annual Reporting	
10:10	Federal Ecosystem Program Planning	TBD
	▪ Upper Mississippi River Restoration Program	
	▪ Navigation and Ecosystem Sustainability Program	
10:40 a.m.	Future of FEMA: Potential Implications for Interstate Flood Planning on the Upper Mississippi River System	TBD
	▪ Congress Consideration of Reform and the Resulting Implications for States	
11:10	Break	
11:30	Perceptions, Engagements, and Values of the Mississippi River	TBD, University of Minnesota
12:00 noon	Lunch	
1:00 p.m.	State Policy Options for Risk Reduction and Resilience in the Mississippi River Watershed	Kim Tyrell, National Conference of State Legislators
1:30	Federal Agency Fiscal and Organizational Reports	UMRBA Board Members
2:45	Administrative Issues	Wade Strickland, Wisconsin DNR
	▪ Election of Officers	
	▪ Future Meeting Schedule	
3:00 p.m.	Adjourn	

Upper Mississippi River Restoration Coordinating Committee

February 25, 2026

Preliminary Agenda

Time	Topic	Presenter
8:00 a.m.	Welcome and Introductions	Kelly Keefe, <i>USACE, Chair</i>
8:05	Approval of Minutes of November 19, 2025 Meeting	
8:10	Regional Management and Partnership Collaboration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Fiscal Report for FY 2026 — Outlook for FY 2026 and Schedule Changes — Strategic Plan Update 	Marshall Plumley, <i>USACE</i>
9:00	Reflections on LTRM Scenario Planning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Discussion Questions 	Marshall Plumley, <i>USACE</i> UMRR Coordinating Committee
9:30	HREP Showcase	TBD, <i>USACE</i>
10:00	Break	
10:15	Program Reports <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Long Term Resource Monitoring and Science <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • USACE Update • FY 2026 First Quarter Highlights • Implementation Planning Update • A-Team Report — Habitat Rehabilitation and Enhancement Projects <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • District Reports 	Davi Michl, <i>USACE</i> Jeff Houser, <i>USGS</i> Shawn Giblin, <i>WI DNR</i> John Henderson, Jessie Dunton, and Jasen Brown, <i>USACE</i>
11:15	Audubon NESP Reach Planning Stakeholder Perspectives	Brent Newman, <i>Audubon</i>
11:50	Other Business <ul style="list-style-type: none"> — Future Meeting Schedule 	Kelly Keefe, <i>USACE, Chair</i>
12:00 noon	Adjourn	