

Friends of the Pecatonica River Foundation

January 16, 2014

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Scheduled Events 2014!

Applebee's on January 25,
Rafters on March 8,
Cimino's on June 14,
Summer Flotilla on July 19,
Canoe/Kayak race on July 20,
Fish Fry on Sept 12
Fall Flotilla on October 4.

Check with the Freeport/Stephenson County
Convention and Visitors Bureau for events and
activities in our area.

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1-815-233-1357 & 1-800-963-2955

If your organization wants to conduct a paddle or
river event, contact FPRF! If you have a plan that
involves the river, and want advice, information,
or consultation, contact FPRF. If you have an
idea to improve stewardship of the river, contact
us! If you don't like something we do, contact us.

You can email us at pecriver@pecriver.org

Check our website at: www.pecriver.org

Facebook: Friends of the Pecatonica River Foundation
Phone: 815-369-8000

Freeport Park District
1122 S. Burchard Ave.
Freeport, IL 61032
815-235-6114 www.freeportparkdistrict.org

Lena Community Park District
609 N. Schuler St., Lena, IL 61048
815-369-5351 www.lenaparks.org

Other web sites:

www.paddlethepec.com www.illinoispadding.org

Or write us at:

Friends of the Pecatonica River Foundation
50 W. Douglas St. Suite 1002
Freeport, IL 61032

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Current

TMDLs

What is a TMDL and why are we interested in them? About every three years the EPA checks watersheds to help maintain or improve water quality. The Clean Water Act of 1972 (CWA) is where this all started. The establishment of Total Maximum Daily Loads sets the pollution reduction goals necessary to improve impaired waters. The Illinois Pollution Control Board assigns every water body one or more designated uses and those determine the water standards that apply.

A vast amount of data is collected and covers point source discharge, precipitation, soils, geology, topography and land use, as the main topics. Usually a computer model is used to calculate pollution loads. Source contributions are identified, reduction goals are determined and the model is verified for accuracy.

Recommendations for Best Management Practices (BMP) are developed. The plan includes a schedule for implementation. Public participation is part of the process. The result is a draft proposal and a public meeting to review and ask questions concerning the plan.

FPRF is participating in this process. Our concern is a safe environment for recreational use. We encourage citizen participation.

You probably received a letter concerning picnic tables. FPRF has sufficient funds to order three concrete picnic tables and slabs to mount the tables. We are still working on a site plan and development of Tutty's Crossing. Please consider donating or joining us as we work at Tutty's or Atten's Landing. If you have any ideas on how to put a canoe launch at Wes Block, we would like to hear them.

Meeting Schedule

The **Jan. 16th, 2014** meeting is at Rafters at 7:00PM. The next meeting is **Feb. 20th, 2014**. Everyone is invited. Bring your ideas!

Pecatonica River Scenes in Postcard Selling for
\$10, \$13 mails order, still available.
Go to www.pecriver.org/projects