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| 11:40 | Habitat & Resiliency | **Joseph Kreitinger**, US Army Research and Development Center | Design Considerations to Reduce Toxicity and Bioaccumulation Risk at Aquatic Habitat Restoration Sites in the St Louis River Estuary |
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| | Lunch, Networking, and Posters | **Molly Wick**, Wisconsin DNR | Wisconsin’s Restoration Projects |
| 2:50 | Break – The Landing | | |
| 3:20 | AOC | **Mike Bares**, Minnesota Pollution Control Agency | Contaminated Sediment Management |
| 3:40 | AOC | **Joe Graham**, Wisconsin DNR | Sediment Quality in Wisconsin |
| 4:00 | AOC | **John Lindgren**, Minnesota DNR | Sharing Our Roles in Achieving the Vision of a Healthy St. Louis River Estuary |
| 4:30 | Closing Remarks | **Erika Washburn**, Reserve Manager, LS Reserve | Closing Remarks |
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NOAA Office of Coastal Management | NOAA’s Office of Coastal Management Habitat Blueprint and Stakeholder Engagement |
| 9:20 | | Erika Washburn  
LS Reserve | People & Places Forum: Building a Network for Collaboration with those in the Social Sciences, Humanities and Health Fields |
| 9:40 | | Katie Williams  
US EPA | Tapping into Community Wisdom and Integrating Local Knowledge into Revitalization Efforts |
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University of Minnesota Duluth | One River, Many Stories: Community Engagement through Media Collaboration |
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Minnesota Environmental Consortium | American Rivers Most Endangered Rivers of 2015: How the St. Louis Made the List, Why that Matters, and What’s Next |
| 11:10 | | Cindy Hakala  
IDA Dark Sky Duluth | Welcome to the Dark Side: An Introduction to Light Pollution in the Twin Ports |
| 11:30 | | Deanna Erickson  
LS Reserve | An Evaluation of the Rivers2Lake Education Program |
| 11:50 | | Curtis Sedlacek  
US Army Corps of Engineers | The Buried Past: Why Cultural Resources Within the St. Louis River Area of Concern Matter for Environmental Restoration |
| 12:10 | Lunch, Networking, and Posters | | 12:40 Community Vessel Workshop Update (Room 204) |
| 1:40 | Environmental Indicators | Adam Mednick  
University of Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute | Virtual Beach: Using Free Data and Tools to Help Inform Beach Remediation Efforts in the St Louis River Area Of Concern |
| 2:00 | | Meagan Aliff  
Natural Resource Research Institute | A Method for Ballast Water Risk-release Assessment for Protists |
| 2:20 | | Elizabeth Alexson  
University of Minnesota Duluth | Long-term Diatom Records Support Delisting Efforts of the St. Louis River Estuary |
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St. Louis River Alliance | The Phragmites Puzzle: Team Management of an Aquatic Invasive Species in the St. Louis River Estuary |
| 3:30 | | Bryn Evans  
Wisconsin DNR | Camera and Plane Surveys Assessing the Response of Semi-aquatic Mammals to Remediation of the St. Louis River Area of Concern |
| 3:50 | **Closing Remarks: Sharing Our Visions** | David Bolgrien | |
| 4:00 | | **Adjourn** | |
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