Mississippi River Parkway Commission Semi-Annual Meeting

Paducah, KY | April 19-21, 2017

Join us in Paducah!

Make plans to attend the 2017 MRPC Semi-Annual Meeting, which will take place in beautiful Paducah, KY, from April 19-21. Paducah is a designated UNESCO Creative City and a community that's full of energy and history. We have an active agenda planned, as well as time set aside to learn more about the region. Help advance the mission of the MRPC by registering today!

Working Agenda *(Subject to change.)*

Wednesday, April 19

4pm	**Board of Directors Meeting**
5-7pm	**Registration**
7-9pm	**Hospitality Suite**

Thursday, April 20

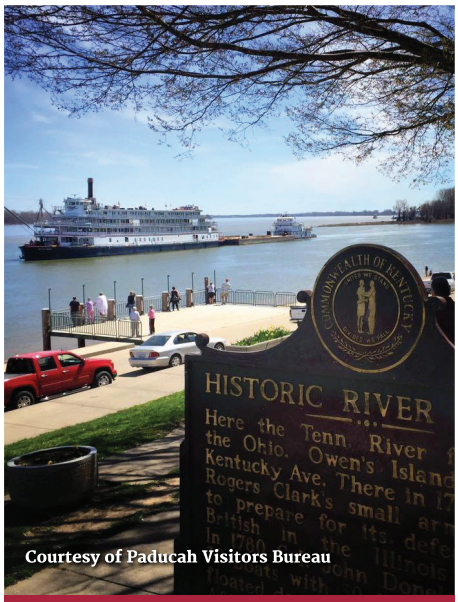
Breakfast - on your own

7-9am	**Registration**
8-8:30am	**New Member Orientation**
8-8:30am	**Technical Committee Chairs Meeting**
8:45am-5:30pm	**Mobile Workshop** Mobile Workshop to Great River Road counties (Ballard, Carlisle, Hickman and Fulton). Some stops and featured educational sessions include: Way Showing Project in and around the Great River Road, Wickliffe Mounds State Historic Site, Fort Jefferson Memorial Cross, Columbus-Belmont State Park, Two Rivers Fisheries and Kentucky Nut Corporation.
6:30-8:30pm	**Tour and dinner at River Discovery Center in Paducah**

Friday, April 21

Breakfast - on your own

7:30-8:30am	**State Commission Meetings**



Courtesy of Paducah Visitors Bureau

Registration

Register at mrpcmembers.com/meeting

Delegates (all sessions & meals included):
$150 – Early Bird – by April 4
$180 – After April 4

Spouses/Guest of Delegate:
$100 – Early Bird – by April 4
$130 – After April 4

One Day (Day of sessions and meals included):
$100 – Early Bird – by April 4
$130 – After April 4

Remember—April 4 is the deadline for early-bird pricing.

Cancellation Policy

Cancellations made on or prior to Tuesday, April 4, will receive a full registration fee refund minus a $20 processing fee.

Cancellations made after Tuesday, April 4, will **not** be eligible for a refund.

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8:45-10:15am **General Session**

- Ron Brooks, Director, KY Department of Fish and Wildlife Fisheries—He will offer insight into their proactive fight against the movement of the non-native Asian carp into Kentucky's waterways. He's actively pursued federal funding in this effort, worked intensively with the commercial fish markets to promote the sale of Asian carp products and adapted regulations to better suit the needs of commercial anglers to harvest Asian carp from the waterways.

- Angie Yu, Two Rivers Fisheries—Example of a success story turning Asian carp into an export and green food produce in the U.S.

- Kentucky Tourism, Kentucky Trail Town Program—Connecting outdoor adventure seekers to land and water trails as a means to help communities grow tourism while preserving its sense of place.

10:30am-12:30pm **Technical Committee Meetings**

12:45-1:45pm **Catered Lunch**

2-4pm **General Sessions**

- National Advisory Committee on Travel and Tourism Infrastructure -Diana Threadgill

- MRCC/ Geo-Tourism Update - Terri McCullough and Craig Mitckes

- State & Committee Updates

Courtesy of Paducah Visitors Bureau

Hotel Reservations

La Quinta Inn & Suites of Paducah
3960 Coleman Crossing Circle
Paducah, KY 42001

Hotel reservations can be made by calling 270-443-4800. Make sure to mention **the MRPC Group Block** to get special rate.

The room rate is $99/night including hot breakfast, free WiFi and free parking.

Getting to Paducah

- Paducah is located on Interstate 24, between Nashville (2 hours, 10 minutes) and St. Louis (2 hours, 40 minutes).

- Paducah is served by Barkley Regional Airport.

- Daily flights are available from Chicago/O'Hare to Paducah.