

River Ecology and Governance Task Force

03/14/23

3 pm to 4:30 pm

**AGENDA**

**3:00 pm Welcome and Introductions**

*Please say "hello" in the chat.*

**3:05 pm Task Force Goals Review + Survey**

*Refresher on what our goals were through 2022, what we've accomplished, and what we still need to work on.*

**3:15 pm Natural Solutions Tool Demonstration for Riverfront Projects**

*Friends of the Chicago River and Trust for Public Lands just launched their Natural Solutions Tool, a multi-benefit project prioritization tool that helps identify where nature-based green infrastructure projects are needed. This demonstration will show how this tool can be used for planning projects along Chicago's rivers.*

**3:45 pm What are you working on this year?**

*In small groups, add your initiative to a map and share out what your organization is working on this year and what you are trying to achieve.*

**4:20 pm Progress Updates on Our Great Rivers: CSO's and water quality**

**What do you want to hear/learn more about?**

*Each quarter, we will hold space to discuss how we are advancing the goals in the Our Great Rivers vision as well as discuss topics Task Force members would like to learn more about. What's happening or not happening that you would like to discuss with fellow Task Force members? Let us know on the Jam Board.*

**4:30 pm Adjourn**

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**Task Force Objectives**

- Transforming Chicago's unique waterway system into a thriving and ecologically integrated natural asset, capable of accommodating the needs of people, requires coordinated planning, investment and management.
- Aspire to, and realize no later than 2040, inland waterways in Chicago that are inviting, productive and living, that support wildlife in-stream and on their banks, and that contribute to our city's resiliency