

River Ecology and Governance Task Force

Quarterly Meeting

06/03/2025

3 pm to 4:30 pm

AGENDA

3:00 pm Welcome and Introductions

Please say "hello" in the chat.

3:05 pm Task Force Short-Term Objectives and Short-Term Goals

Review of the objectives and short-term goals for 2025 – 2026.

3:10 pm South Branch Framework Plan Planning Initiative

The Department of Planning and Development will provide an update on the planning process for the consolidation of South Branch plans to provide a singular framework for strategies and implementation.

3:30 pm Discussion and Q&A: South Branch Framework Plan Planning Initiative

3:40 pm Government Partner Project Updates

Updates on priority government partner projects for 2025, including an overview of MWRD's flood relief project in Robbins, and the Hazel Johnson Cumulative Impacts Ordinance.

4:10 pm Reminders, Upcoming Summer Events, and Participation Opportunities

River Questions Form reminder and share out of upcoming summer events and engagement opportunities including the City's Green Infrastructure Strategy and Calumet Area Land Use and Design Guidelines public meetings.

4:20 pm Adjourn and 2025 Task Force Meeting Dates

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.