

# MISSISSIPPI RIVER BASIN PANEL MEETING AGENDA



**July 24 – 26, 2023**

Barr Lake State Park  
Nature Center  
13401 Picadilly Road  
Brighton, Colorado

Note: The Agenda is in Mountain Time Zone

## **MONDAY, JULY 24, 2023**

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3:30 – 5:00 PM            Executive Committee Meeting

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6:00 – 8:00 PM            Executive Committee Dinner

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## **TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2023**

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8:00 – 8:30 AM            Registration

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8:30 – 8:45 AM            Welcome and Introductions            Cole Harty, Second Term  
MRBP Co-Chair

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8:45 – 9:30 AM            The Colorado ANS Program            Robert Walters, Colorado  
Parks and Wildlife

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9:30 – 10:00 AM            The National Invasive Species  
Council and the Invasive Species  
Advisory Committee Update            Bryan Faulk, National  
Invasive Species Council  
(virtual)

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10:00 – 10:15 AM            BREAK

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10:15 – 10:30 AM            Aquatic Nuisance Species  
Task Force Update            Bonnie Johnson, US Fish  
and Wildlife Service  
(virtual)

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10:30 – 10:45 AM            Association of Fish and Wildlife  
Agencies (AFWA) Invasive  
Species Committee Update            Kim Bogenschutz, Iowa  
Dept. of Natural Resources

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## TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2023 (CONTINUED)

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| 10:45 – 11:15 AM | Mississippi Interstate Cooperative Resource Association (MICRA) Update      | Greg Conover, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and Rob Bourgeois, LA Dept. of Wildlife and Fisheries |
| 11:15 – 11:30 AM | Mississippi River Basin Panel (MRBP) Update                                 | Greg Conover, US Fish and Wildlife Service, and Elizabeth Brown, EBEC                             |
| 11:30 – 1:00 PM  | Lunch (on your own)   |   |
| 11:30 – 12:00 PM | Optional – Ride the Eagle Express   | Group 1   |
| 12:30 – 1:00 PM  | Optional – Ride the Eagle Express   | Group 2   |
| 1:00 – 1:15 PM   | Session Introduction: MRBP Priority Pathogens Project                       | Mindy Barnett, IL Dept. of Natural Resources and MRBP Prevention and Control Committee Chair      |
| 1:15 – 2:00 PM   | Federal Fish Health Management  | Ken Phillips, US Fish and Wildlife Service (virtual)  |
| 2:00 – 2:45 PM   | Pathogen Identification and State of Colorado Aquatic Animal Health Program | Colby Wells, Colorado Parks and Wildlife  |
| 2:45 – 3:00 PM   | Discussion and Next Steps   |   |
| 3:00 – 3:15 PM   | Break   |   |
| 3:15 – 3:25 PM   | Session Introduction: MRBP's Most Troublesome AIS List                      | Mindy Barnett, IL Dept. of Natural Resources and MRBP Prevention and Control Committee Chair      |
| 3:25 – 4:10 PM   | Then and Now: 20+ Years of AIS Occurrence Data                              | Matt Neilson, USGS NAS  |
| 4:10 – 4:30 PM   | Small Groups - Plants, Fish, Crustaceans, Mollusks                          | All Participants  |
| 4:30 – 4:50 PM   | Discussion and Next Steps   | Cole Harty, Second Term MRBP Co-Chair   |
| 4:50 – 5:00 PM   | Day 1 Summary and Action Items  | Cole Harty, Second Term MRBP Co-Chair   |
| 5:00 PM          | Day 1 Meeting Adjourns  |   |
| 6:00 PM          | Optional - Group Dinner   |   |

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## WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2023

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| 8:00 – 8:20 AM   | Optional - Watercraft Inspection Station Visit  | Elizabeth Brown, EBEC  |
| 8:30 – 8:35 AM   | Meeting Call to Order   | Cole Harty, Second Term MRBP Co-Chair  |
| 8:35 – 8:45 AM   | Public Comment  |  |
| 8:45 – 9:05 AM   | Regional Horizon Scanning for AIS: Contribution to a National Early Detection and Rapid Response Framework                                      | Kate Wyman-Grothem, US Fish and Wildlife Service   |
| 9:05 – 9:25 AM   | READI-Net   | Matt Neilson, USGS NAS   |
| 9:25 – 9:45 AM   | Moss Balls After Action Report  | Sam Chan, OR Sea Grant (virtual)   |
| 9:45 – 10:15 AM  | Moss Balls to Crayfish and More: Organisms in Trade Workgroup   | Kristen Sommers, US Fish and Wildlife Service (virtual)                                      |
| 10:15 – 10:30 AM | Break   |  |
| 10:30 – 11:30 AM | Education and Outreach Committee  | Greg Hitzroth, IL Sea Grant and MRBP Education and Outreach Committee Chair                  |
| 11:30 – 1:00 PM  | Lunch (on your own)   |  |
| 11:30 – 12:00 PM | Optional – Ride the Eagle Express   | Group 3  |
| 1:00 – 2:00 PM   | Prevention and Control Committee  | Mindy Barnett, IL Dept. of Natural Resources and MRBP Prevention and Control Committee Chair |
| 2:00 – 3:00 PM   | Research and Risk Assessment Committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- SIU Tributary Project</li><li>- Invasive Carp Genetics</li></ul> | Patrick Kroboth, USGS, and Chris Steffen, KS Dept. of Wildlife and Parks                     |
| 3:00 – 3:15 PM   | Break   |  |

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**WEDNESDAY, JULY 26, 2023 (CONTINUED)**

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| 3:15 – 3:30 PM | 2023-2024 MRBP Work Plan                      | All Panel Discussion                     |
| 3:30 – 3:45 PM | ANSTF Recommendations                         | All Panel Discussion                     |
| 3:45 – 4:00 PM | Next MRBP Meeting                             | All Panel Discussion                     |
| 4:00 – 4:15 PM | Meeting Wrap-Up                               | Cole Harty, Second Term<br>MRBP Co-Chair |
| 4:30 PM        | Meeting Adjourns                              |  |
| 4:30 PM        | Optional - Canoeing and Kayaking on Barr Lake |  |
| 6:30 PM        | Optional - Group Dinner                       |  |

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