Minnesota River Congress Action Board

Voted on, Approved, Updated 11-8-19

**Sector Representatives (2 each)**

1. Business, Greg Genz, Paul “Gus” Davis
2. Agriculture, Kaitlin Culver, Tony Thompson
3. Non-Government Organizations, Julie Beatty
4. Local Government, Drew Campbell,
5. SWCD, Jessie Shaffer, Clark Lingbeek
6. Native American Communities (two open)
7. Recreational Users, Mark Bosacker, Jay Gustafson
8. Student, Hannah Matthews

**Major Watershed Representation**

1. Minnesota River Headwaters (open)
2. Pomme de Terre (open)
3. Lac qui Parle, Jim and Mary Stone (one shared representation)
4. Hawk Creek
5. Chippewa River Betsy Nielsen
6. Yellow Medicine, Scott Tedrick
7. Redwood River, Ted Suss
8. Cottonwood, Greg Roiger
9. Middle Minnesota River, Kim Musser
10. Watonwan River,
11. Blue Earth River, Bryce Hoppie
12. Le Sueur River, Jessica Nelson
13. Lower Minnesota River (open)

**At Large members:**

accepted until applicants to fill categorized open seats come forward

**State Agency Representation:** State employees are strictly advisory to the Action Board and are appointed by the various agencies to participate. The source of this limitation policy is not that of the Minnesota River Congress. The source of the policy lies within that of the various state agencies who have chosen to participate. Participation by state employees on Action Board activities are limited to information sharing and their participation is strictly due to the nature of their positions and expertise on matters before the board/congress. As such, state employees should not be considered voting members and do not vote on matters before the Action Board. State employee participation is not intended to influence the process or policies of the Action Board.

**Further State Agency Employee Clarification on Action Board Participation:**

As an example, Mr. Forrest Peterson (an MPCA employee) is noted as a member of the Board. Participation is not an expectation of his job responsibilities and is not a part of his annual work plan. He is not acting as an agent of the MPCA and participation on the board/congress is voluntary and on his own time. He is not to use state resources, including state email, in his work as a board member.

1. Board of Water and Soil Resources, Mark Hiles
2. MNDNR, Scott Roemhildt
3. MPCA, Forrest Peterson
4. Minnesota Department of Health, Amy Lynch
5. Minnesota Department of Agriculture, Mark Dittrich
6. Minnesota Department of Transportation (open)