

NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION - AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY
RIVERS AND STREAMS TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

SPRING MEETING
MARCH 27 & 28, 2012
ROCK ISLAND CONSERVATION CLUB / MILAN, ILLINOIS

CALL FOR AGENDA ITEMS AND PRESENTATIONS

This is a call for agenda items and presentations for the 24th Annual Spring meeting of the Rivers and Streams Technical Committee (RSTC). This year we will have a special working session focusing on ***SMALL STREAM AND NON-GAME FISHES ACROSS THE NORTH CENTRAL DIVISION AND SMALL STREAM ASSOCIATED RESEARCH***. This information is critical for us to solidify our own notions and priorities for stream restoration(s).

As always, agenda items can include any topic associated with lotic systems that you may wish to suggest. We welcome and invite presentations on other topics related to the river and stream systems across the north central division. It is a wonderful informal setting with 100's of years of professional experience in the room to share and exchange ideas with. Please consider attending and presenting!

The meeting will be held at the Rock Island Conservation Club in Milan, Illinois (near Rock Island Illinois). The address of the Rock Island Conservation Club is 2421 Big Island Road, Milan, Illinois 61246. We will begin at 1:00 PM on Tuesday, March 27, 2012 (registration starts at 12:00 noon) and usually conclude around noon the second day - Wednesday, March 28, 2012. We may go a bit later on Wednesday to accommodate presenters (leftovers for lunch!). Posters are encouraged for the evening social to be discussed over beverages and fried flathead - the evening social session is a great opportunity to discuss your research.

There will be a registration fee of \$35.00 for refreshments, dinner, and transportation. We have made arrangements for the group to stay at the Fairfield Inn (\$77.00 + tax – double queen room) for the evening of March 27, 2011. Please phone (309) 762-9083 to make reservations. There is a block of 15 rooms held under the name Rivers and Streams until March 10th. The address of the Fairfield Inn is 2705 48th Avenue, Moline, IL 61265, near the airport at the junction of I-74 and Route 280. Given the tight budget situations we all face, if you wish to share a room to save travel costs, please email Andy (address below) and he will put folks in contact with each other.

As in years past, we have rented a bus to take us from the hotel to the Conservation Club for dinner. (If you have trouble getting in Fairfield Inn there are others nearby, Best Western Airport Inn (309) 762-9191, and Comfort Inn (309) 762-7000).

In addition to presentations, we will hold our regular business meeting with State Reports provided by State Chapter representatives. **Please provide suggested agenda items and/or the title and short description of your presentation or poster to Kraig McPeek by March 23rd, 2012. Chapter Reps should put together a brief State Report to be given at the meeting. State Reports should be sent to Kraig McPeek for inclusion on the website.**

As usual – we look forward to a great meeting in our traditional low- key, informal setting. See you in Milan.

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