

**Memorandum
Public Works Department**



To: City Manager
Subject: Resolution Declaring Support
Date: August 19, 2014
Number: 2014-181

Attached to this memorandum is a resolution declaring the City of Rock Island's support for the recently developed Quad Cities Area Mississippi River Water Suppliers Coalition. The purpose of the coalition is to provide enhanced source water monitoring and spill response readiness in order to ensure a continuous supply of safe, high quality water to the citizens of the Quad Cities. Listed below are the five area water supplies that are members of the coalition. The coalition has been formed to allow for active collaboration among the local water suppliers to advance their mutual interests.

Members

City of Rock Island
City of Moline
City of East Moline
Rock Island Arsenal
Iowa American Water

Recommendation

The Public Works Department recommends that the City Council approve the resolution declaring their support of the Quad Cities Area Mississippi River Water Suppliers Coalition.

Submitted by: Randall D. Tweet, Public Works Director
Larry P. Cook, Utilities Superintendent

Approved by: Thomas Thomas, City Manager

Council Bill/Resolution No.: _____
Sponsor: _____

A Resolution

DECLARING the City of Rock Island's support of the Quad Cities Area Mississippi River Water Supplier's Coalition and its vision of accomplishing shared goals through collaboration.

WHEREAS, the City of Rock Island is one of five Quad Cities area water supplies that rely on the Mississippi River for their source Water: and

WHEREAS, key staff members from each of these water supplies have recognized a compelling need to provide enhanced source water monitoring and spill response readiness in order to ensure a continuous supply of safe, high quality water to the communities they serve; and

WHEREAS, the Quad Cities Area Mississippi River Water Suppliers Coalition has been formed to allow for active collaboration among these water supplies to advance their mutual interests.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROCK ISLAND, ILLINOIS, as follows:

That the Rock Island City Council hereby declares its support of the Quad Cities Area Mississippi River Water Suppliers Coalition and its vision of accomplishing shared goals through collaboration.

CITY OF ROCK ISLAND, ILLINOIS

Mayor

Date

Passed: _____

Approved: _____

Attest: _____
City Clerk

Approved as to Form: _____
City Attorney



Quad Cities Area Mississippi River Water Suppliers Coalition

July 2014

Vision

Continuous safe, high quality, economical water for the communities we serve

Mission

Collaborating to advance the mutual interests of the Quad Cities water utilities that utilize the Mississippi River as their source water

Goals:

- Enhanced spill response readiness
- Increased understanding of potential spill sources and associated risks
- Improved spill detection and monitoring capabilities
- Improved source water protection
- Enhanced monitoring of natural river changes
- Enhanced communications between the QCA Mississippi River Water Suppliers (routine and emergency)

Member Water Utilities

- City of Moline
- City of Rock Island
- City of East Moline
- Iowa American Water
- Rock Island Arsenal

Envisioned Collaboration Partners

- Quad Cities Sub-area Planning Committee
- UMRBA and Hazardous Spills Group
- USEPA Office of Research and Development
- Local Emergency Planning Committees
- Spill Response Coops and Service Providers
- County and City Health Departments
- Bi-State Planning Commission
- AWWA and IL Section Source Water Protection Committees
- National Great Rivers Research and Education Center
- Local Industries and other Mississippi River Stakeholders
- ORSANCO