

WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS MEDIA RELEASE		NEWS RELEASE NUMBER 2017-048
INFORMATION: RESTRICTIONS FOR ROCK RIVER FOR TUESDAY, JULY 4TH, 2017		
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ON 07/03/2017 SHERIFF GARY CARUANA AND SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL WERE ON THE RIVER ASSESSING THE CURRENT CONDITIONS. SHERIFF CARUANA ANNOUNCES THE FOLLOWING RESTRICTIONS FOR THE ROCK RIVER EXTENDING THROUGH TUESDAY, JULY 4TH, 2017:

THERE WILL BE A "NO WAKE ZONE" ON THE ROCK RIVER DUE TO FLOATING DEBRIS AND HIGH WATER LEVELS

EFFECTIVE FROM 7:00 P.M. ON JULY 4TH UNTIL THE COMPLETION OF THE FIREWORKS DISPLAY, THE ROCK RIVER WILL BE "CLOSED" SOUTH OF THE CHESTNUT STREET BRIDGE TO THE FORDHAM DAM AND FROM THE MORGAN STREET BRIDGE NORTH TO THE FORDHAM DAM FOR THE PUBLIC'S SAFETY.

THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO REMIND ALL BOATERS TO OPERATE THEIR CRAFTS IN A SAFE MANNER OVER THE HOLIDAY. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE A PATROL PRESENCE ON THE RIVER. ANYONE WITH QUESTIONS CAN CONTACT THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT RIVER PATROL AT (815) 262-1510. CALLS FOR SERVICE SHOULD BE DIRECTED THROUGH THE 911 COMMUNICATION CENTER AT (815) 282-2600. FOR EMERGENCIES...CALL 911.

AS ALWAYS, CAUTION SHOULD BE EXERCISED IN ALL AREAS WHEN USING THE RIVER. LIMIT ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION AND BE AWARE OF OTHER BOATERS ENJOYING THE RIVER. FOR CURRENT RIVER CONDITIONS AND ANY FURTHER UPDATES, CONTACT THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AT (815) 319-6300 OR THE ROCK RIVER INFORMATION LINE AT (815) 319-6444.

THE RIVER CONDITIONS ARE BEING ASSESSED ON A DAILY BASIS.

: SHERIFF : CHIEF DEPUTY : DEPUTY CHIEF OF DETECTIVE BUREAU : DEPUTY CHIEF OF PATROL BUREAU : DEPUTY CHIEF OF ADMINISTRATIVE BUREAU : DEPUTY CHIEF OF SUPPORT SERVICES : SUPERINTENDENT OF CORRECTIONS <small>S/A-32C REVISED 07/01/12</small>	SHERIFF GARY CARUANA <hr/> SUPERVISOR AUTHORIZING RELEASE DATE: 07 / 03 / 17 TIME: 1600 HOURS
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