WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE NEWS MEDIA RELEASE	NEWS RELEASE NUMBER 2017-059
INFORMATION: ROCK RIVER CLOSED IN WINNEBAGO COUNTY	

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THE ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES HAS CLOSED THE ROCK RIVER IN WINNEBAGO COUNTY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE. THE RIVER IS RISING AND IS FORECAST TO CREST AT 12.6 FEET IN ROCKTON AND 12.5 FEET AT LATHAM PARK ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 26TH, 2017. FLOOD STAGE IN THOSE AREAS IS 10 FEET. MODERATE FLOODING IS ANTICIPATED IN ROSCOE AND MACHESNEY PARK. ALL PUBLIC BOAT LAUNCHES ARE CLOSED THROUGHOUT WINNEBAGO COUNTY DUE TO THIS RESTRICTION.

SANDBAGGING OPERATIONS ARE SET UP AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:
~VILLAGE OF ROSCOE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, 5402 SWANSON ROAD.
~MACHESNEY PARK MALL (SOUTHWEST LOT), 8750 NORTH 2ND STREET.
~NEW MILFORD FIRE DEPARTMENT, 2177 WILL JAMES ROAD.

THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE CONTINUES TO MONITOR LEVELS ON THE KISHWAUKEE RIVER, AS WELL. THE PECATONICA RIVER IS FORECAST TO RISE INTO MAJOR FLOOD STAGE AT FREEPORT AND SHIRLAND. OTHER RIVERS, CREEKS AND STREAMS THROUGHOUT WINNEBAGO COUNTY HAVE ALSO BEEN AFFECTED BY THE FLOODING; HOWEVER, MOST OF THOSE AREAS DO NOT THREATEN HOMES. PLEASE MONITOR THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE WEBSITE WWW.WINNEBAGOSHERIFF.COM ALONG WITH LOCAL MEDIA OUTLETS FOR UPDATES. FOR CURRENT RIVER CONDITIONS AND UPDATES, CONTACT THE WINNEBAGO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE AT (815) 319-6300 OR THE ROCK RIVER INFORMATION LINE AT (815) 319-6444.

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: CHIEF DEPUTY	
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: DEPUTY CHIEF OF PATROL BUREAU	
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: DEPUTY CHIEF OF SUPPORT SERVICES	
: SUPERINTENDENT OF CORRECTIONS	
: ACCREDITATION MANAGER	DATE: 07/ 22 /17 TIME: 1500 HOURS
: MACHESNEY PARK SECTION SUPERVISOR	
: FOREST PRESERVE SECTION SUPERVISOR	
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