USER SURVEY FOR THE MISSOURI RIVER

This questionnaire is your opportunity to recommend changes to improve the Aids to Navigation on the Missouri River. There are four parts to this survey.

1) **Personal Information** - This information helps us if you would like us to reply to a question.

2) **Vessel Rating** - Gives us a general overview of how the current waterways system is used and if it meets your needs.

3) **Facility Rating** - Gives us information as to which facilities use the waterways, when, for what reasons, and if it meets your needs.

4) **Comments** - Space for you to make specific recommendations and to clarify your responses to parts 2 and 3. Since the waterway is so large, we have divided into it zones for specific information. The zones will match what is listed in the Missouri River Waterway Action Plan (WAP).

The first part of this questionnaire concerns (Vessels), the second addresses (Facilities).

ZONES

1	**MOR 717.0 - 630.0**	**Sioux City Reach**
2	**MOR 630.0 – 500.0**	**Omaha Reach**
3	**MOR 500.0 – 400.0**	**St. Joseph Reach**
4	**MOR 400.0 – 300.0**	**Kansas City Reach**
5	**MOR 300.0 – 200.0**	**Brunswick Reach**
6	**MOR 200.0 – 100.0**	**Jefferson Reach**
7	**MOR 100.0 – 0.0**	**Washington Reach**

(1) PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Name: _____ Address: _____

Organization: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____ Vessel Type: _____ Cargo: _____ Years Experience: _____

Please email the completed questionnaire to sumrwaterways@uscg.mil or fax to 314-269-2742
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(2) VESSEL RATINGS:

Please rate the following areas, if you do not currently use a specific zone in the waterway please check/circle **N/A**. Additionally your detailed comments are encouraged if you have recommendations.

A) Zone 1: **MOR 717.0 - 630.0** **Sioux City Reach**

Fixed/Shore Aids	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**
Floating Aids/Buoys	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**

Which aids do you feel are the most useful and why?

Which aids do you think are the least useful and why?

When transiting this zone how much traffic do you usually encounter?

Are there any aids that are so important that if they were missing you feel you wouldn't be able to safely navigate the zone?

What do you feel is the most difficult or dangerous part of this zone?

How often do you transit this zone?

Comments:

B) Zone 2: **MOR 630.0 – 500.0** **Omaha Reach**

Fixed/Shore Aids	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**
Floating Aids/Buoys	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**

Which aids do you feel are the most useful and why?

Which aids do you think are the least useful and why?

When transiting this zone how much traffic do you usually encounter?

Are there any aids that are so important that if they were missing you feel you wouldn't be able to safely navigate the zone?

What do you feel is the most difficult or dangerous part of this zone?

How often do you transit this zone?

Comments:

C) Zone 3: **MOR 500.0 – 400.0** **St. Joseph Reach**

Fixed/Shore Aids	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**
Floating Aids/Buoys	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**

Which aids do you feel are the most useful and why?

Which aids do you think are the least useful and why?

When transiting this zone how much traffic do you usually encounter?

Are there any aids that are so important that if they were missing you feel you wouldn't be able to safely navigate the zone?

What do you feel is the most difficult or dangerous part of this zone?

How often do you transit this zone?

Comments:

D) Zone 4: **MOR 400.0 – 300.0** **Kansas City Reach**

Fixed/Shore Aids	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**
Floating Aids/Buoys	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**

Which aids do you feel are the most useful and why?

Which aids do you think are the least useful and why?

When transiting this zone how much traffic do you usually encounter?

Are there any aids that are so important that if they were missing you feel you wouldn't be able to safely navigate the zone?

What do you feel is the most difficult or dangerous part of this zone?

How often do you transit this zone?

Comments:

E) Zone 5: **MOR 300.0 – 200.0** **Brunswick Reach**

Fixed/Shore Aids	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**
Floating Aids/Buoys	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**

Which aids do you feel are the most useful and why?

Which aids do you think are the least useful and why?

When transiting this zone how much traffic do you usually encounter?

Are there any aids that are so important that if they were missing you feel you wouldn't be able to safely navigate the zone?

What do you feel is the most difficult or dangerous part of this zone?

How often do you transit this zone?

Comments:

F) Zone 6: **MOR 200.0 – 100.0** **Jefferson Reach**

Fixed/Shore Aids	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**
Floating Aids/Buoys	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**

Which aids do you feel are the most useful and why?

Which aids do you think are the least useful and why?

When transiting this zone how much traffic do you usually encounter?

Are there any aids that are so important that if they were missing you feel you wouldn't be able to safely navigate the zone?

What do you feel is the most difficult or dangerous part of this zone?

How often do you transit this zone?

Comments:

G) Zone 7:	MOR 100.0 – 0.0	Washington Reach

Fixed/Shore Aids	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**
Floating Aids/Buoys	☐ **Meets Needs**	☐ **Doesn't Meet Needs**	☐ **N/A**

Which aids do you feel are the most useful and why?

Which aids do you think are the least useful and why?

When transiting this zone how much traffic do you usually encounter?

Are there any aids that are so important that if they were missing you feel you wouldn't be able to safely navigate the zone?

What do you feel is the most difficult or dangerous part of this zone?

How often do you transit this zone?

Comments:

Additional Comments:

(3) FACILITY INFORMATION:

Name: _____ **Address:** _____

Facility Type: _____ **Phone:** _____

Email: _____ **River Mile:** _____ **Years Established:** _____

Zone: _____ **(Refer to previous section for zones on the Missouri River)**

1. **What type of waterway mode of transportation does your Facility use (Vessel type, size, number)?**

2. **What type of product does your facility produce/ship?**

3. **How many barges are loaded per year?**

4. **How many barges do you load at a time? One:** ☐ **Two:** ☐ **Three or More** ☐

5. **What time of year is considered your peak shipping season? (Spring / Summer / Fall / Winter)**

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6. **Do you use alternative methods of shipping or receiving? (Road / Rail)**

7. **Does the condition or dependability of the waterway play a part in your decision making process?** **Yes** ☐ **No** ☐

   If yes, How So:

8. **Are you expecting to increase or decrease the amount of product you will ship out by barge over the next 5 years?**

9. **Over the next five years do you expect your company to make any physical improvements to your infrastructure?**

10. **Is the Waterway adequate for your facilities' needs?**

11. **Do you have any comments or suggestions regarding the Waterway or Aids to Navigation?**

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(4) COMMENTS:

A) Please indicate other businesses, organizations, groups, or individuals (including addresses and points of contacts if possible) that may be interested in this survey.

B) Additional Comments and/or concerns (feel free to voice your opinions on any issues regarding this waterway):