American Heritage Rivers
Official Federal and Local Contacts Revealed

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Introduction

The purpose of this directory is to overcome the impediments to citizen participation which have characterized the American Heritage Rivers Initiative. With the knowledge of the identities, agencies, locations and telephone numbers of both the federal contact and the federal facilitator, as well as the “community” contact, for each of the fourteen American Heritage Rivers designated by the President, citizens should now be able to become informed of the heretofore secret “community” meetings before they are held, and also bring influence toward holding properly noticed public hearings about all facets of the American Heritage Rivers program in their region. Citizens should also be warned that the “community” meetings may be led by professional facilitators and conducted by consensus. This means that skills to manipulate meeting outcomes may dominate and that, instead of taking votes, a feeling of agreement or acceptance, supposedly by all present, will be the basis for official leadership pronouncements and decisions. Minutes may not be taken. Citizens should make an effort to enable a broad range of the public, resource users, and other business people from the region who are concerned about the economy, home rule, and private property rights to be consistently present in adequate numbers. Citizens are forewarned to be ready to issue formal minority reports to the press, the public and their elected representatives about the issues and programs under consideration. They should plan to lead the consensus and committee structure and assignments in directions beneficial to the local economy and respectful of private property rights and home rule.

The full identities and contact information for each member of the thirteen-agency American Heritage Rivers Interagency Committee created by President Clinton are included to enable citizens to contact these individuals as well. As soon as they are available, we intend to add to the directory the Navigators for each individual river and the five-person, full-time national Task Force which, it is said, will soon be selected to administer the American Heritage Rivers Initiative.

Part 1. The Fourteen American Heritage Rivers

Blackstone and Woonasquatucket (RI/MA)
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**Hudson (NY)**
*The nomination was submitted by Governor Putski.*

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**Mississippi, Lower (TN/LA)**
*This designation encompassed two nominations, one from the City of Memphis, Tennessee, which covers the immediately adjacent area plus two small river tributaries, and the City of New Orleans, which includes that portion up to Baton Rouge, Louisiana.*

**Community Contact:**
- The Honorable Willie Herenton, Mayor
- City of Memphis
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- Memphis, TN 38103
- 901-576-6011

**New Orleans:**
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- City of New Orleans
- 1300 Berdido Street, Suite 8E06
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**Facilitator:**
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- c/o Commanding Officer
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- Memphis, TN 38105
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**Mississippi, Upper (MO/IL/IA/WI/MN)**
*Fifty-eight mayors along the Upper Mississippi submitted the application.*

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**Facilitator:**
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