

Dear Mr. Lendermon:

Thank you for your presentation before the Mississippi River Commission during the public meeting in West Memphis, Arkansas, on August 20, 2002. In your statement you provided an update on the status of your Master Plan for the Memphis Riverfront.

The Commission shares your interest in riverfront development and protection of our historical resources. We commend your organization for gaining approval of a Master Plan and proceeding with actual implementation of some short-term projects such as the Cobblestone Walkway and Riverside Drive improvements.

In regard to your request for assistance in preserving the historical cobblestone landing, Memphis District has an ongoing evaluation of the impacts of the maintenance dredging within Wolf River Harbor on these cobblestones. This evaluation is scheduled for completion in November 2002, and the Memphis District staff will coordinate the results with you.

The Commission recognizes your efforts in attempting to have the proposed riverfront development authorized and Federally funded. The Memphis District will provide you available information in this effort.

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The Commission appreciates receiving your comments and will be pleased to hear from you at our future public meetings.

Sincerely,

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River Commission