

Dear Mr. Royer:

Thank you for your statement made before the Mississippi River Commission at the public meeting held in Memphis, Tennessee, on April 8, 2003. In your statement, you addressed the opportunities afforded by the Mississippi River.

The Commission agrees with you that the Mississippi River is a unique resource that can accommodate a wide range of beneficial public uses, including commercial navigation, recreation, etc. We recognize your continued efforts toward elevating the visibility and importance of the river for recreation and for providing opportunities for people to reconnect with it.

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

Sincerely,

Don T. Riley  
Brigadier General, U.S. Army  
President Designee, Mississippi  
River Commission