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Mayors' Virtual Event, Washington, DC

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March 8 [All times are central]

Matinee Discussion with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

3:00pm – 5:00pm, Streamed from DOD Headquarters, Army Pentagon, Washington, DC

High ranking leaders from the U.S. Army and the Corps of Engineers will detail their plans to deploy Jobs Act Resources across the Mississippi River Basin and discuss priorities over the next five years.

3:00pm – 5:00pm, The U.S. Army and the Corps of Engineers Implementation of the Jobs Act

Presiding: Jim Strickland, Mayor of Memphis, TN, MRCTI Co-Chair
Errick Simmons, Mayor of Greenville, MS, MRCTI Co-Chair
George Flaggs, Mayor of Vicksburg, MS

Remarks: HON. JAMIE A. PINKHAM
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works
United States Army

Recognition: HON. ROBERT EASTERN Mayor of East St. Louis, IL
HON. PHIL STANG Mayor of Kimmswick, MO

Introduction: MARK BINSFELD
Vice President of Marketing & Business Development
J.F. Brennan Company, Inc.
MRCTI Corporate Advisory Board Vice Chair

Presentation: LT. COLONEL THOMAS J. SEARS Deputy Commander St. Louis District, USACE
LT. COLONEL JOHN M. FERNAS Deputy District Commander Rock Island District, USACE

Introduction: HON. MITCH REYNOLDS
Mayor of La Crosse, WI
MRCTI Wisconsin State Chair

Honoring: HON. RON KIND
U.S. House of Representatives (WI)
Mississippi River Caucus Co-Chair



March 9 [All times are central]

Session I: INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT & JOBS ACT AND THE MISSISSIPPI CORRIDOR

10:00am – 10:30pm, MRCTI Contribution to the Department of Interior's America the Beautiful

Presiding: Jim Strickland, Mayor of Memphis, TN, MRCTI Co-Chair
Errick Simmons, Mayor of Greenville, MS, MRCTI Co-Chair

Introduction: HON. CHRIS LAINE
Mayor, City of Savanna, IL

Remarks: HON. SHANNON A. ESTENOZ
Assistant Secretary of Fish, Wildlife, & Parks
U.S. Department of the Interior

Welcome: Rick Pina
Vice President, Advisory Services and Chief Technology Advisor for Public Sector
World Wide Technology

10:30am – 11:00am, Unveiling of the MRCTI Infrastructure Facility

Introduction: HON. MELVIN CARTER
Mayor, City of St. Paul, MN
MRCTI Minnesota State Chair

<i>Remarks:</i>	JAMES KIM Partner Arnold & Porter	MARK GOODSON Principal, Planning & Resilience CSRS
	Eric Letsinger CEO & Founder Quantified Ventures	Aditya Ranade Senior Partner Two Degrees Adapt

11:00am – 12:00pm, High-Level Discussion with the U.S. Department of Transportation on the IJJA

IJJA Update: Charles Small
Deputy Assistant Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs
U.S. Department of Transportation

12:00pm – 1:00pm, Virtual Event Break for Lunch

Session II: SECURING MISSISSIPPI RIVER BASIN SERVICES AND MANAGEMENT

1:00pm – 1:30pm, Determining the True Cost of Nutrient Loading to Cities

Presiding: Brad Cavanagh, Mayor of Dubuque, IA

Presentation: ERIN MACKAY
Project Director
Earth Economics

1:30pm – 2:00pm, Disaster Response, Humanitarian Assistance, International Resources – Ukraine Crisis

Orientation: COLIN WELLENKAMP
MRCTI Executive Director

Update: JOHN DABEET
Muscatine, IA Sister Cities President
Sister Cities International State of Iowa Representative

2:00pm – 2:30pm, Developing a Systemic Resilience and Adaptation Plan for the United States

Introduction: HON. SHARON WESTON BROOME HON. MITCH REYNOLDS
Mayor of Baton Rouge, LA Mayor, City of La Crosse, WI
MRCTI Immediate Past Co-Chair MRCTI Wisconsin State Chair

Presentation: CHRIS AVILA
Legislative Lead Professional Staff
National Climate Adaptation and Resilience Strategy Act (NCARS)
The Office of Senator Chris Coons
United States Senate (DE)

2:30pm – 3:00pm, High-Level Overview, Implementation of the Jobs Act

Introduction: HON. BELINDA CONSTANT
Mayor of Gretna, LA
MRCTI Louisiana State Chair

Remarks: HON. MITCH LANDRIEU
Senior Advisor to the President
IJA Implementation

3:00pm – 4:00pm, Discussion on Solid Waste, Water Quality, and Recycling Infrastructure

Moderating: HON. AELICIA THOMAS JENNIFER WENDT
Mayor of Rosedale, MS Plastic Waste Reduction Campaign Manager

Remarks: JANET MCCABE
Deputy Administrator
United States Environmental Protection Agency

Update: BARBARA HENDRIE
Director
United Nations Environment Programme

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MAYORS' HYBRID PRESS CONFERENCE

10:00am – 10:30am, Hybrid Press Event, Aeries Winery, 14 W Main Street, Grafton, IL 62037: MRCTI 2022 Federal Policy Platform and major announcements from the Capitol Meeting regarding the Jobs Act and disaster mitigation on the eve of flood season 2022.

Presiding: Jim Strickland, Mayor of Memphis, TN, MRCTI Co-Chair
Errick Simmons, Mayor of Greenville, MS, MRCTI Co-Chair

Spring Flood Season: Hon. Mike Morrow
Mayor of Grafton, IL
Michael Sertle
Chief Biologist, Ducks Unlimited

Announcement: JAMES KIM
Partner
Arnold & Porter
TIM BARFIELD
President
CSRS
Brian Smoliak
Partner
Two Degrees Adapt
Eric Letsinger
CEO & Founder
Quantified Ventures

Session III: INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING, LONGER TERM

10:30am – 11:00am, Quantified Ventures Announces New Outcomes-Based Financing Challenge with MRCTI

Introduction: HON. LIONEL JOHNSON
Mayor, City of St. Gabriel, LA
Past Co-Chair of MRCTI

Presentation: ERIC LETSINGER
Founder
Quantified Ventures

DISCUSSION WITH BICAMERAL MISSISSIPPI RIVER CAUCUS, MRCTI 10TH ANNIVERSARY

11:00am – 11:30pm, Honoring Founding Caucus Co-Chair

Presiding: Phil Stang, Mayor of Kimmswick, MO
Laurie Elliott, Mayor of Newport, MN

Welcome: HON. AMY KLOBUCHAR
United State Senate (MN)
Mississippi River Caucus Co-Chair

Honoring: HON. ROY BLUNT
United States Senate (MO)
Mississippi River Caucus Co-Chair

11:30am – 12:00pm, MRCTI Annual Meeting, 10th Anniversary, St. Louis, MO, Sept 13-15

Preview: Phil Stang, Mayor of Kimmswick, MO
Bob Fox, Mayor of Cape Girardeau, MO

Preview: NEAL RICHARDSON
Executive Director
St. Louis Development Corporation

MATTHEW MCBRIDE
Chairman
St. Louis Port Commission

MRCTI at 10: ALEXANDER LOUCOPOULOS
Partner, Sciens Capital
MRCTI Corp. Advisory Board Chair

MARK BINSFELD
Vice President, J.F. Brennan Company, Inc.
MRCTI Corp. Advisory Board Vice Chair

Announcement: HAROLD HAMBY
Founder
LaChance Vineyards