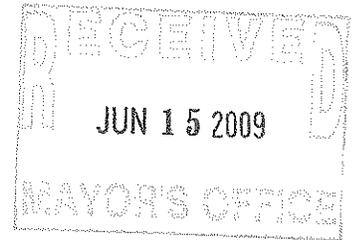




DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
DETROIT DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS
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June 11, 2009



Dear Sir or Madam,

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) needs your assistance in our efforts to inform your community about the Lower Fox River Dams public meeting. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 17, 2009, at the Kaukauna Municipal Service Building, located at 201 West Second Street in Kaukauna, WI at 7:00 p.m. The emphasis of this meeting will consist of informing the public on the current conditions and repair plans for the Lower Fox River dams. Several USACE Detroit District experts will be available to answer the communities' questions and concerns during this public meeting.

The nation's federal dams recently underwent the Corps Screening Portfolio Risk Analysis that assigns a Dam Safety Action Classification (DSAC) using a scale from I to IV with I representing the highest risk dams. The following five Lower Fox River Dams, The Upper Appleton, Cedars, Little Chute, Rapide Croche, and De Pere, received DSAC II (Urgent) ratings due to cracking at the gate anchorages, which raises the risk for gate failure. The cracks have been monitored by the Corps since the 1970s, and are not showing signs of rapid progression. The Little Kaukauna, Menasha, Lower Appleton, and Kaukauna Dams, received a DSAC IV (Marginally Safe) rating.

Our hope is that your community will support the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' commitment to providing transparent and honest communication with the media and public.

The point of contact for this memorandum is the Detroit District Public Affairs Officer Lynn Duerod, via phone at (313) 226-4680.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JBD", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

James B. Davis
Lieutenant Colonel
Commander, Corps of Engineer