


Overview of issues in the Lower Missouri River watershed



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What we have heard from presenters, evaluation forms and group discussions from January 2017 – May 2017



1. Effects of the Urban/Rural Divide on water quality

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Urban cities, small towns and rural communities in the watershed have differing ideas about the sources of pollution and responsibilities for mitigating the pollution in the streams and River.



2. Effects of MO River channelization

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There are differing ideas about the positive or negative impacts from channelizing the MO River and how the river should be managed to balance those impacts.



3. Effects of recreation and tourism

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Recreation and tourism can have positive and negative effects on people and places in the watershed and the ability to manage them could affect economic development opportunities.



4. Competing and uncoordinated management of the River

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There is a lack of understanding of agencies' roles and responsibilities for River management and uncoordinated management of River values.



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Proposed functions:

- 1. Liaison between parties in the watershed**
- 2. Resource hub / education provider**
- 3. Economic development and regional promotion**
- 4. Watershed planning**