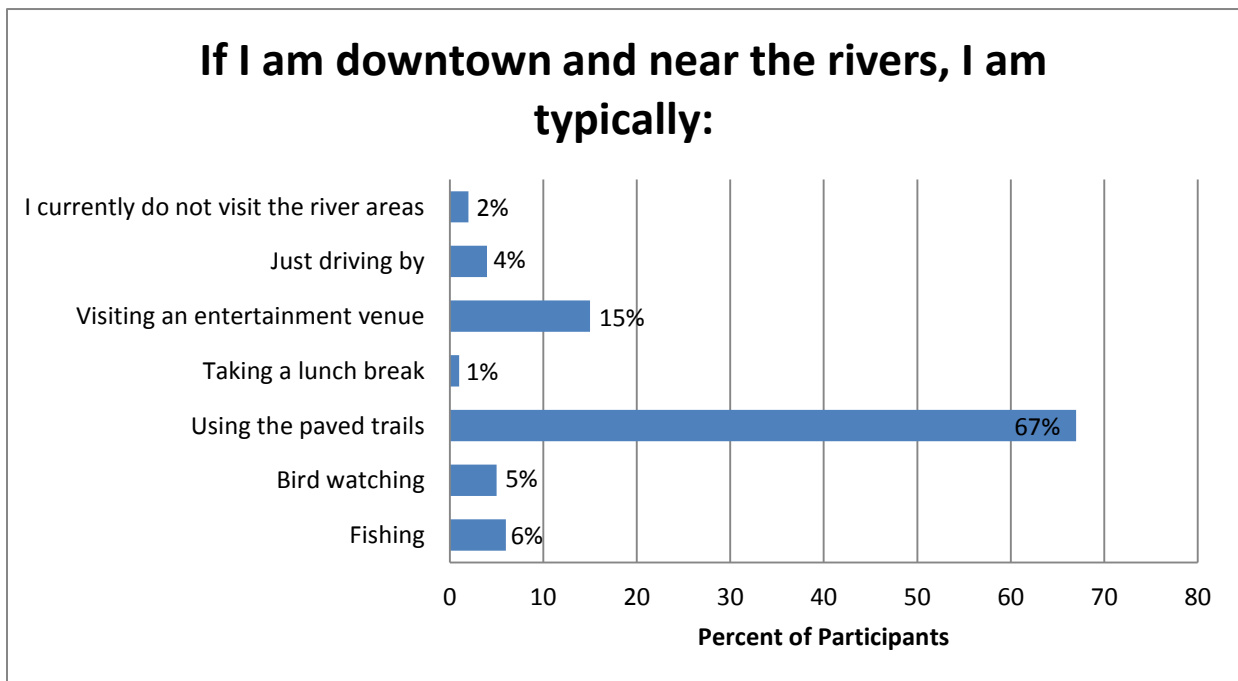
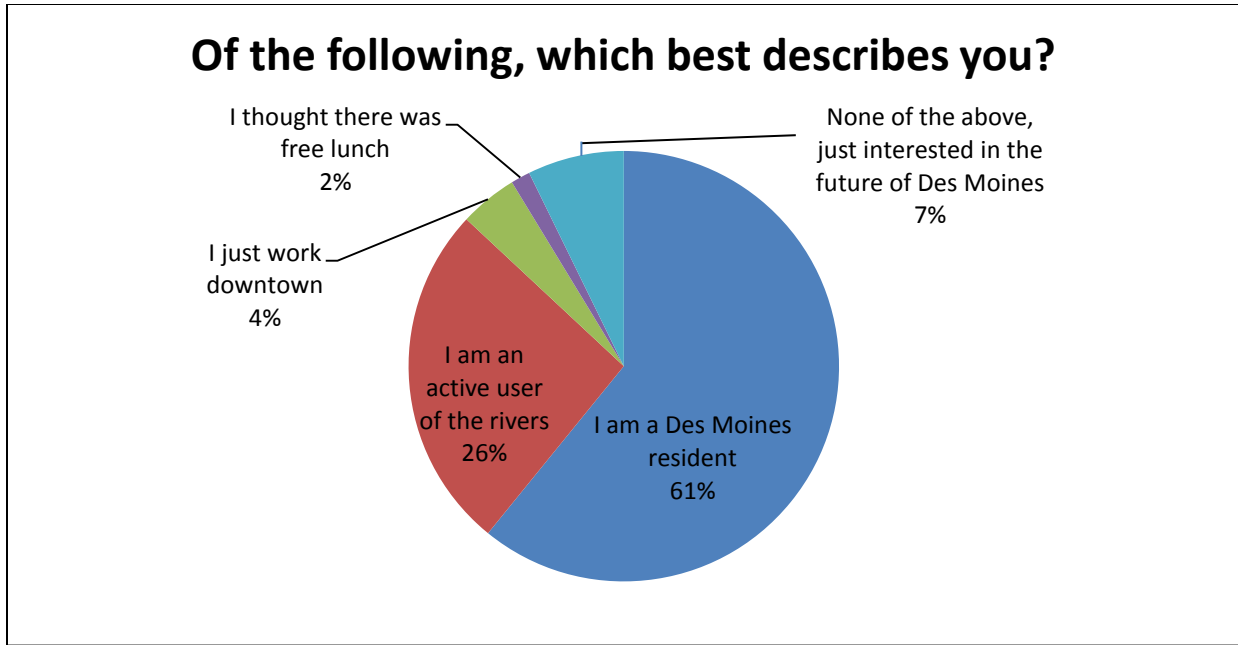


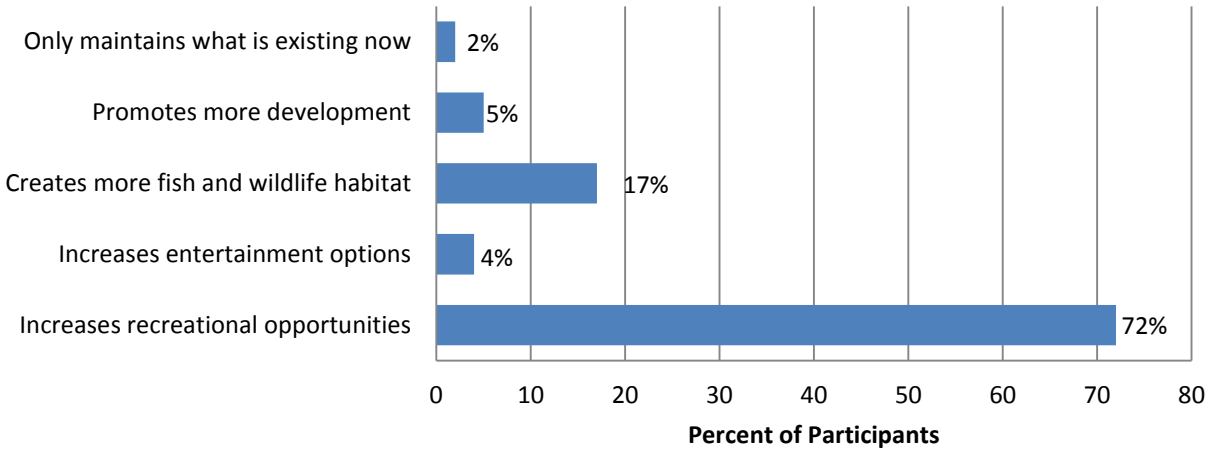
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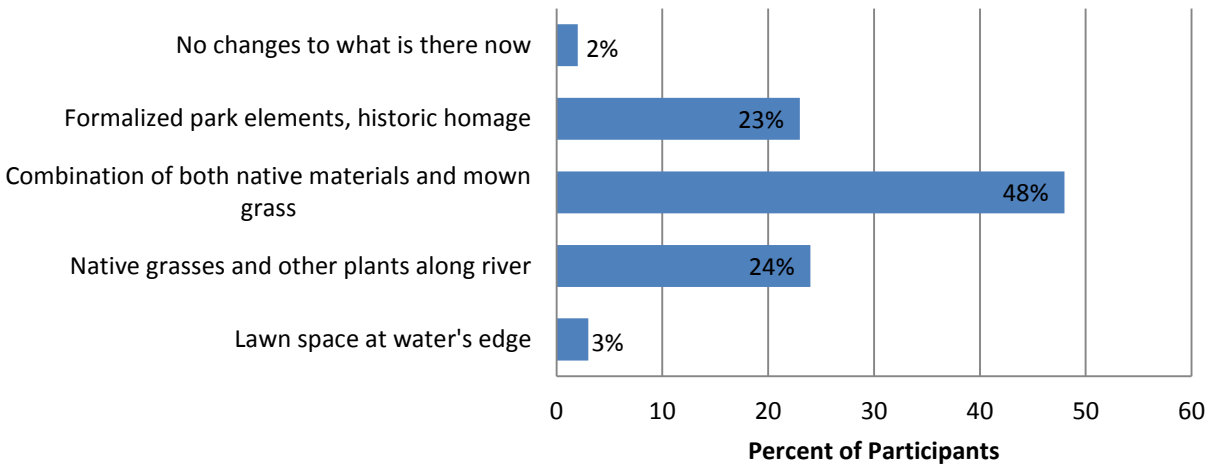
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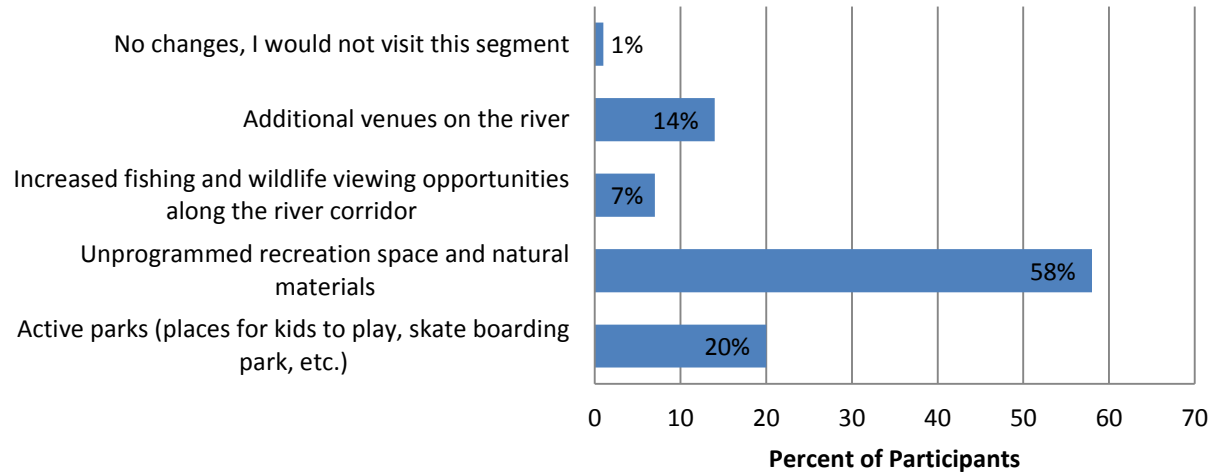
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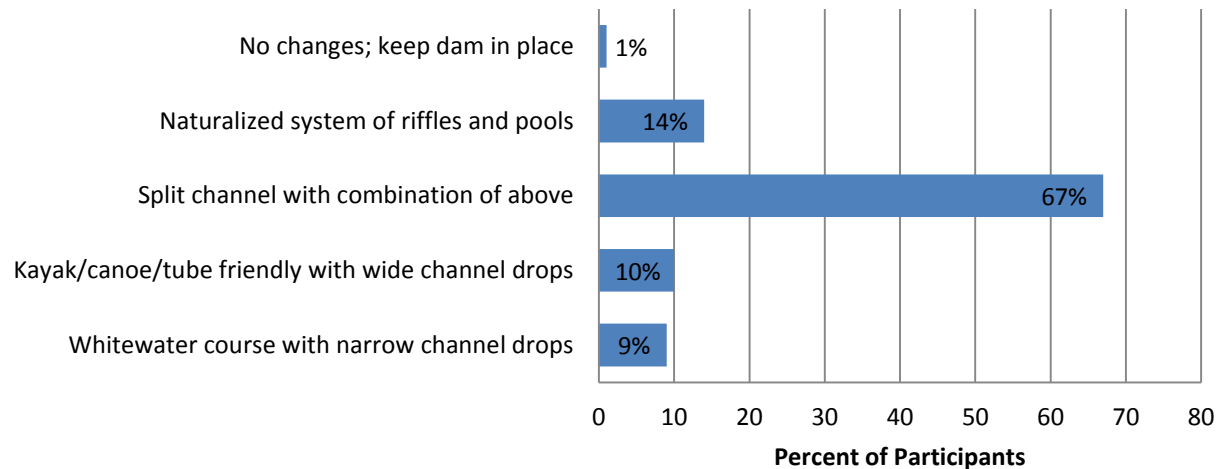
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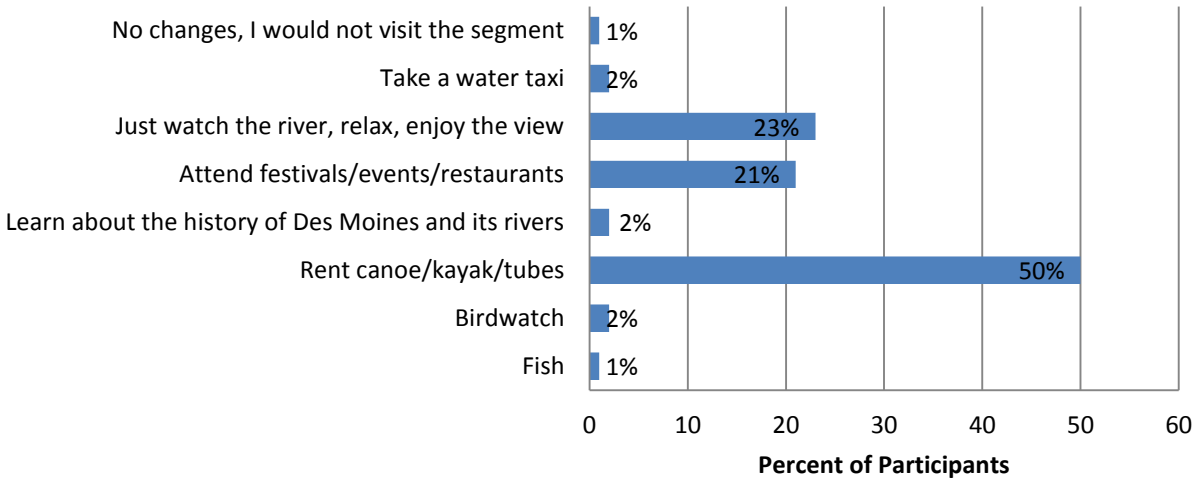
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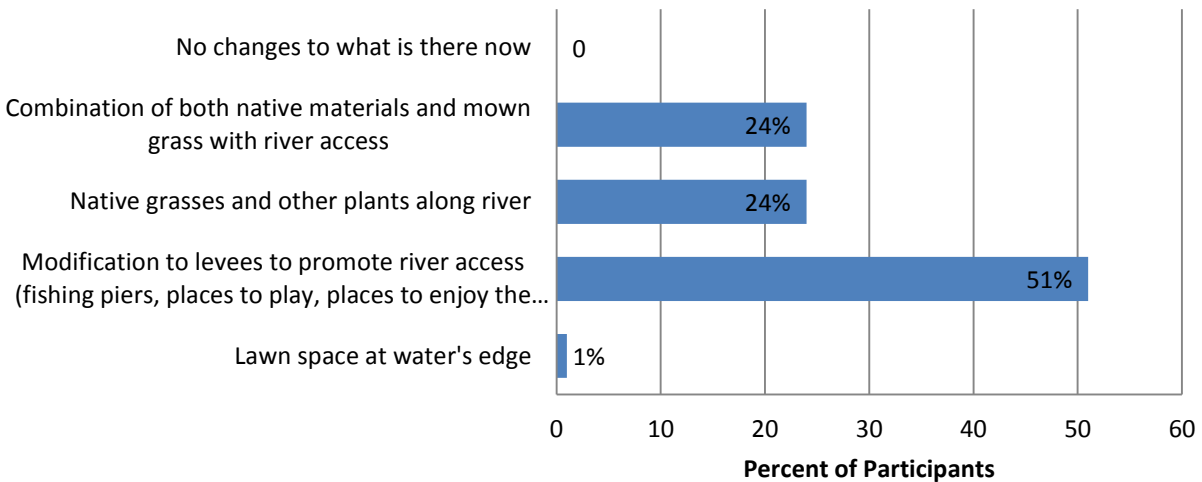
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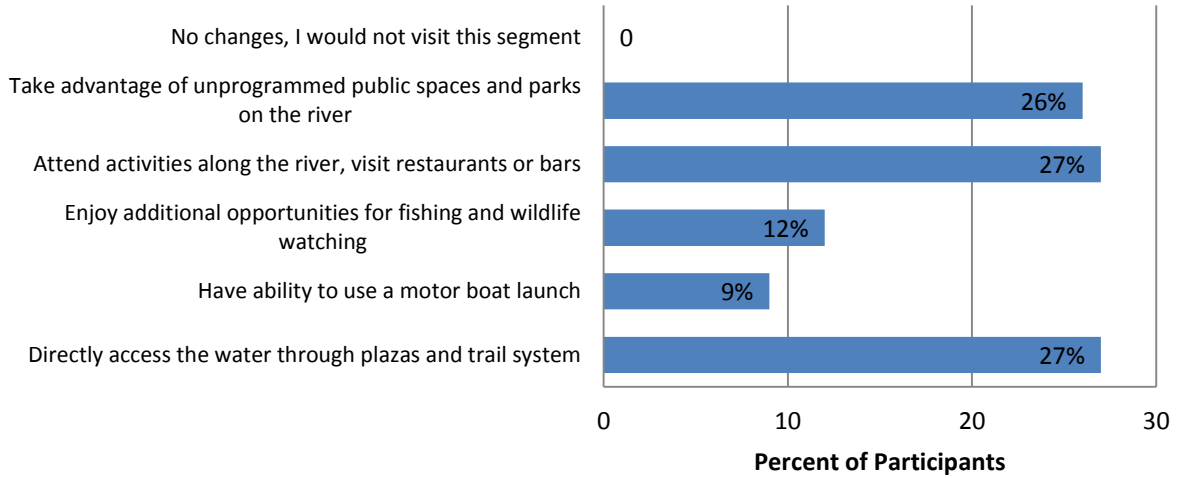
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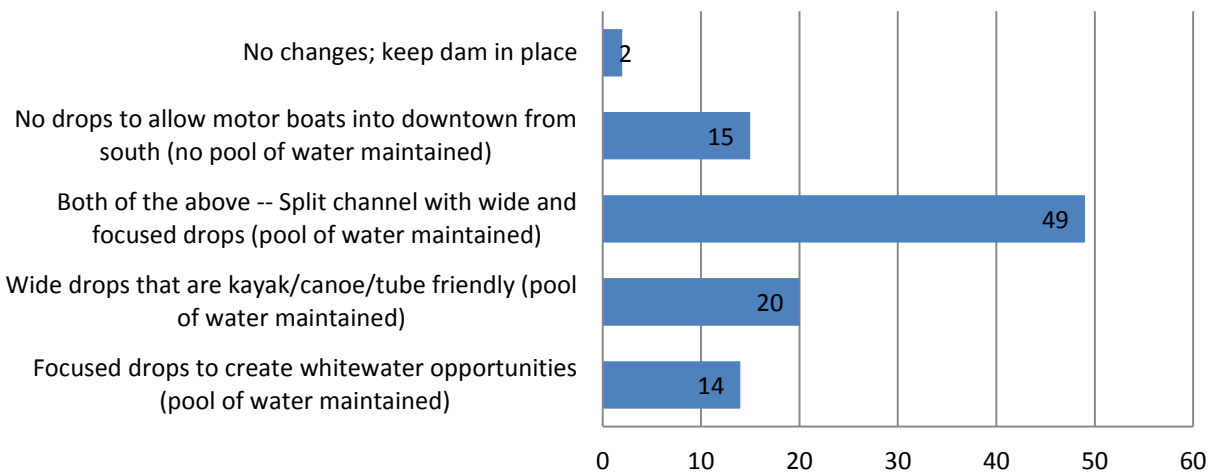
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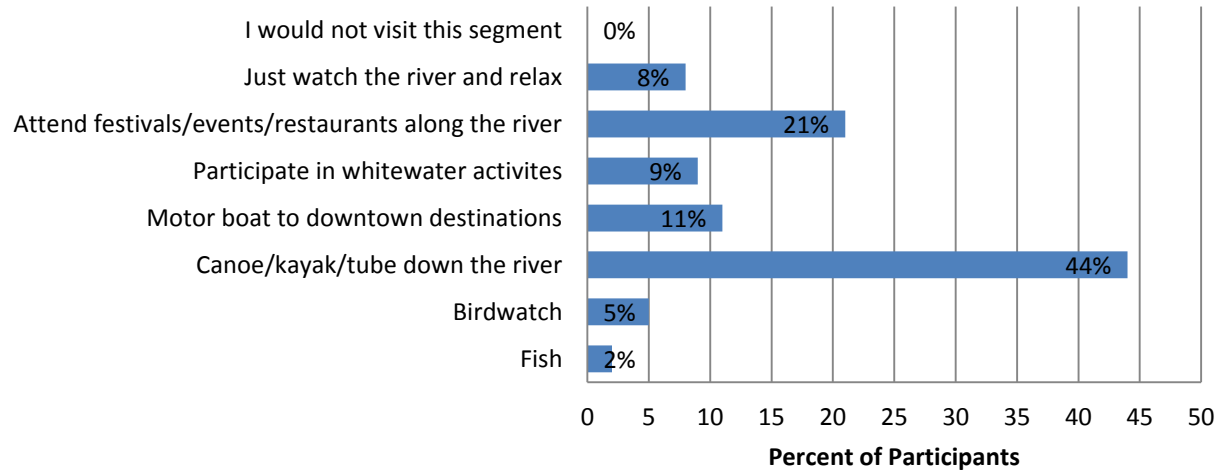
Within the Two Rivers District segment, I would like to be able to:



At the Two Rivers District segment, I would most like to see:



When visiting the Two Rivers District segment, I would most like to:



Prompt: In a few words, what is your biggest concern about this effort ...

A	Impact on rowing	Native habitat
Safety	Trying to b all things to all	Water quality
Cost	Connection	Pollution
Safety	Safety	Water quality. Safety
Funding	100 yr floods	Maintain water level
Water quality	Water quality	upstream
Money	It won't happen	Won't happen
Upstream river conditions.	Water pollution	Water quality
Water quality	Flooding	Making it happen
That it won't happen	Water quality	High flows
Cost	Water level	Wildlife habitat
It won't happen	Wildlife prevatio	That we will do nothing
Safety	Water Quality	Cost
Water quality	Accessibility	Water quality
Water quality	Poll is flawed - everyone here	Appear to be ignoring
Money	is a kayaker.	adjacent uses
Water quality	Integration	Public buy-in
Finding sources.	Availability to kayak	Flood protection, Safety,
Whitewater	Historic preservation	Cost
Maintain and expand power	Water access	Natural habitat
boating	How do you economically	Actually getting something
Water hazards added	split channel?	done
Plan for implementation	Motorboats	Dog beaches
Balance	G	Government bureaucracy
Safety	Polluted water	Lack of funding
Flooding control	Upstream use	How long it will take to
Safety	Impact upstream	construct.
Stop Dam deaths	Safely invite water	Continuous power boating
Polluted water	interaction	That the dams wont be
Safety	Recreate!	mitigated
Budget	Construction	Yes, that it won't happen. Do
Safety - inexperienced	cost/maintenance cost	it.
motorboat era and kayaker a	Funding	Funding
together	No follow thru to	White water activity
Nothing will happen	implementation	Bacterial impacts from CSI
It will take too long	Water quality	Actually doing it.
Timeline	Water quality	DAMDEBATE Speed of
Level control	fish habitat	completion

We need opportunities
upstream

It won't happen soon
enough!!!

Choices too restrictive

Whitewater opportunities

Maintenance

I want a great surf wave
please

Water quality and habitat

River needs more recreation!

Safety

Lawyers

Upstream water levels

Safety, water quality, water
depths, hazards added

Cooperated use up river

Pipe dream

Failure to see the value of
the project

Flood proof facilities

Prompt: In a few words, what are you most excited about with this effort ...

Paddling	Opening rivers and kayaking	Boating
Whitewater!	downtown	To being river into
Whitewater!!!!!!!	Bringing people to the river.	downtown culture
Whitewater park	Touching the water	Touring the river
Surfing waves	Access	Healthier populace
Dog playing opportunities	River vitality	Whitewater variable flow
More access to rivers!	Attention for rivers	Reinvent downtown again!
Whitewater	dam removal	Increasing day and night
Reconnecting the rivers	Development	outing opportunities
Swimming	Lunch on the river	Interacting with the rivers
Downtown FUN	Using river as a resource	A new dynamic in city
Recreate!	Engaging the river	Vibrant city
Kayak access	DAMDEBATE Downtown	More people enjoying river
Family friendly	Development	Access to the river
Canoe in town	White water!	Recreation and access
Access!	Integration into DM life	Expanded opportunity for
Public space	Increased recreational	power boats in downtown
White water and habitat	opportunities	DSM
Being able to use the river	Hosting national events	Stand up paddle boarding
more	Tubing during lunch	Getting better access to river
Habitat	Dams might be gone	Cleaner water mindset
Business growth	Kayaking	Revitalize downtown
Development	Public planning	Fun on river
Natural connections for an	Integration	Recreation! Conservation!
urban population	Water access	Ecotourism!
Not excited at all	Transformation	Opening river to more
Increased engagement with	Access/use of rivers	people! Back to nature.
the area	Getting lowans in the river	Power boating opportunities
Touching water	No more Center Street dam	The value it brings to the city
That it will happen!	Bringing multiple generations	Enhancing river 4 public use
Usage of the river	together	A live river
Using river downtown	Whitewater	power boat path unending
Attracting visitors	It'll make DSM cool!	Better experiences on the
Public access to water	Connecting with our best	river
Increased recreation	natural asset	Becoming Indianapolis!
Water access downtown	Recreational opportunities	Increased awareness of
RIVER ACCESS	Wildlife	rivers.
	Economic development	

Actually using the river in this area
Saving upstream
Seeing increased activity downtown
Higher property values downtown
Paddling accessibility
Swimming, access to river
Celebrating our natural resource
Whitewater
More river activities
powerboat access
Expanded entertainment district.
Where are the kayakers now ??
Activating our rivers
Beautification
River water quality advocacy
Power boating downtown
Active outdoor activities downtown
Opportunity to expose citizens to rivers in an environmentally beneficial way
Increase River activity for all!!
Losing the ditch
Rivers no longer ignored
That the river becomes central to recreation in downtown
Multiple benefits to diverse stakeholders
Improving the health of our rivers and our connection to our river roots
Habitat
River + Beer = Fun

Access and recreation opportunities
I would like to meet all of the whitewater folks!
Downtown growth opportunities