Lessons From the Mississippi & Elsewhere…
Multi-Recreational Trails

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What’s Your Perception?

It’s the System that Works…

Trail Philosophy…

...LET’S TRAVEL BACK IN TIME...

Mississippi River ~ Long Ago
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Nature's Highway...

The Great River Road

Meeting of the Great Rivers...

The Great River Road

The Mississippi River Trail
THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER TRAIL

The Mississippi River Trail
User Guide 2004
A touring guide for bicycles and others

Illinois' Mississippi River Trail

THE GRAND ILLINOIS TRAIL

GREENWAYS & TRAILS PLANS...

LET'S TIE THESE ALL TOGETHER...

Coming together...

Airports Along the Rock River Trail

- Janesville, WI (KJVL) – Southern Wisconsin Regional Rock County Resources
- Beloit, WI (44C) – Beloit Airport Rock County Resources
- Moline, IL (KMLI) – Quad City International Airport Rock Island County Resources
- Rockford, IL (KRFD) – Chicago Rockford International Airport Winnebago County Resources
- Dixon, IL (C73) – Charles R. Walgreen Field Lee County Resources
- Sterling/Rock Falls, IL (KSQI) – Whiteside Co. Airport Whiteside County Resources
- Watertown, WI (KRYV) – Watertown Municipal Airport Jefferson County Resources
- Fort Atkinson, WI (61C) – Fort Atkinson Municipal Airport Jefferson County Resources
- Dodge County Resources
- Winnebago County Resources
- Rock County Resources
- Lee County Resources
- Whiteside County Resources
- Jefferson County Resources

Rock River Trail

Rock River Trail...Fly It!
Scale depends on how you weigh it...

Let's bring 'em on back...

The Great River Trail

Great River Birding Trail

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You want to build what? Where??? WTF???
Lessons Learned:

- Large projects come from small ideas and common goals.
- Start with small steps.
- The overall plan can be flexible to adapt to changes in connections and destinations.
- Even when you encounter setbacks, you can still aim to go somewhere and end up doing something.
- Look for opportunities that aren't expected, driving & hiring, media & outcomes.
- A “work in progress” means what you do here does work.
- Always maintain high standards, encourage involvement, listen.
- Continue to evolve, strive to be innovative, adaptable.