

2009 NACPRO Meeting Education Programs

Monday July 27

Nashville Metro Parks Headquarters in Centennial Park

The People, Park and Plan - Public Park Planning Process & Creative Park Plan (Learn about the Nashville's Riverfront Concept Plan)

8:30 – 10:00 am

Cities with great waterfronts can offer a better quality of life to retain and attract citizens and capital. Nashville has embraced the potential to create a great waterfront that is truly world-class. Nashville is working to reinvent its riverfront and shape its own future. The Nashville Riverfront Concept is a 20-year plan for the dramatic transformation of the downtown riverfront and the east banks of Nashville.



The plan calls for expanded parks, trails, water recreation, and environmental preservation, and provides for both residential and commercial opportunities in the heart of Nashville. The first phase of the plan is a \$50 million public initiative that doubles existing public park land along the downtown waterfront with expanded recreational boat docking facilities,

music performance venues, waterfront parks, boardwalks, overlooks and piers. City officials see this as a time for the city to turn and face the river once again

On June 9th, 2009, the Nashville Area Metropolitan Council adopted Mayor Karl Dean's Capital Plan authorizing \$30 million as an initial infusion for the project.

Join Ed Owens – Waterfront Redevelopment Director, Metro Development and Housing Agency and Chris Koster, Riverfront Development Director – Metro Parks as we learn about the process and the plan. <http://www.nashville.gov/parks/riverfront/>

Setting Public Policy - Electric Assisted Bikes (E-Bikes) on Public Trails

10:15 – Noon



This session will cover the new technologies in electric-assisted bicycles and how these bikes are adding to the options of both recreational and commuter bikers. The presentation will cover federal and state laws regarding E-Bikes, definitions, how the bicycles are being used, models of e-bikes currently on the market, and present a sample ordinance. In many agencies bike

trail rules or ordinances prohibit motorized vehicles or motorized recreational vehicles. These rules/laws were promulgated prior to the changes in technology. We will talk about why you may want to consider legalizing, if agencies haven't already taken the step. Presenter: Judy McDowell, Parks and Natural Resources Coordinator and Margie Walz, Associate Superintendent for Three Rivers Park District. After the presentation, you are invited to a display and demonstration of e-bikes by Music City Bikes. **You will have the opportunity to ride the bike – dress appropriately.**