

Dept. of Natural Resources: To host virtual hearing on Village Of Somers water diversion application Nov. 10

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MADISON, Wis. — The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (DNR) will host a virtual public hearing on Nov.10, 2021, to discuss the Village of Somers' Lake Michigan water diversion [application](#).

The hearing will be held at 6 p.m. via Zoom. The hearing will include a brief informational presentation followed by an opportunity for the public to provide oral comments.

The proposed diversion is for the Somers Water Utility to extend public water service to portions of the village in the Mississippi River Basin that do not currently have a public water supply.

The Village of Somers proposes to divert up to an annual average of 1.2 million gallons of water per day to the Mississippi River Basin. The Great Lakes Compact requires that the water be treated and returned to the Lake Michigan Basin, less an allowance for consumptive use. The Village of Somers purchases water from the Kenosha Water Utility, where it also returns the wastewater.

[Pre-registration for the hearing](#) is also available and is strongly encouraged if attendees plan to provide verbal comments during the hearing. Another option is to complete the fillable [hearing appearance form](#) and send it to DNRSomersDiversionComments@wisconsin.gov.

The DNR will accept written comments until the close of business on Nov. 30, 2021. Please email comments to: DNRSomersDiversionComments@wisconsin.gov or mail

comments to:

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For more information, please visit dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/WaterUse/Somers. More information about the Great Lakes Compact is also available at dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/WaterUse/Compact.

EVENT DETAILS

WHAT: Public Hearing On Village Of Somers Water Diversion Application

WHEN: 6 p.m. Nov. 10, 2021

WHERE: [Join by Zoom here.](#)

Call in: 312-626-6799; Meeting ID: 873 2441 0224.