

**ARC 6351B Notice of Intended Action
RIVER and STREAM EXISTING USES TESTIMONY**

Have you ever participated in or observed someone taking part in the following activities in the stream named below. Please **circle** your answer. If you answer "yes", please describe where and how often the activities took place. Attach additional maps, photos, documents, and supporting information as necessary. Return your testimony by mail, fax, or e-mail before December 11, 2007 to:

**Adam Schnieders, Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Wallace State Office Building, 502 E. 9th Street
Des Moines, IA 50319.
Fax: 515-281-8895 E-mail: adam.schnieders@dnr.iowa.gov**

STREAM NAME: _____ **COUNTY:** _____

CLOSEST CITY OR TOWN: _____ **CLOSEST BRIDGE:** _____

Swimming or other water play where you might ingest water. YES NO
If yes: _____

Children playing in or near the stream. YES NO
If yes: _____

Canoeing or kayaking. YES NO
If yes: _____

Tubing (body partly or completely immersed in the water). YES NO
If yes: _____

Fishing, seining, or trapping for minnows. YES NO
If yes: _____

Which fish species have you caught or observed others catch? Circle fish caught.

BASS CATFISH CARP BLUEGILL CRAPPIE BULLHEADS CHUB TROUT

Do you eat the fish you or others catch in this river or stream? YES NO

NAME: _____ **Phone or E-mail** _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ **ZIP** _____

Position (if county or local official): _____

This information is complete and true to the best of my knowledge and is submitted in response to the current Stream Reclassification Notice of Intended Action

SIGNATURE: _____ **DATE:** _____

Sierra Club Stream Uses Outreach Project

The Iowa Sierra Club Stream Uses Outreach Project is part of a national “Safe and Healthy Communities” initiative to protect the public and the natural environment from unnecessary pollution. Sierra Club has worked with other conservation partners in Iowa for more than ten years in an effort to both update Iowa’s deficient water quality standards, and advocate for proper implementation, monitoring, and enforcement of those standards.

We urge you to submit comments to DNR in opposition to Notice of Intended Action, ARC6351B, that will lower or remove protections from 272 stream segments. In addition to general comments, please include detailed information about the recreational and aquatic life uses you personally can attest exist at specific locations in specific streams. Comments are due by December 11, 2007, and should be submitted by mail, fax, or e-mail to:

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DNR will hold public hearings on the proposed stream uses downgrades at the following locations and times:

November 15th, 2007 Atlantic Municipal Utilities, 15 W 3rd St., Atlantic (712)243-1395, From 9AM to 12PM	November 27th, 2007 Wallace Building Auditorium 502 E. 9th St., Des Moines From 9 AM to 12 PM
November 15th, 2007 Cherokee Community Center, 530 W Bluff St., Cherokee (712)225-2715, From 6 PM to 8 PM	November 29th, 2007 Iowa City Public Library, 123 Linn St, Iowa City (319)356-5200, From 4 PM to 7 PM
November 20th, 2007 Clear Lake Community Room, City Hall 15N. 6th St, Clear Lake (641)357-5267, From 11 AM to 2 PM	November 30th, 2007 Elkador Opera House, 207 N. Main St., Elkador (563)245-2098, From 11 AM to 2 PM

The complete Notice of Intended Action can be found at:

http://www.iowadnr.com/water/standards/files/noia_streamuse.pdf

DNR’s UAA database containing their field observations and final downgrade recommendations can be found at:

<http://programs.iowadnr.gov/uaa/search.aspx>

More information about water quality standards in Iowa and the Clean Water Act can be found at:

<http://iowa.sierraclub.org/>

<http://www.iaenvironment.org/waterquality.php>