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Illinois' advocate for clean water and healthy rivers.



## Prairie Rivers Network E-News

May 8, 2013

### Heartland Coalfield Alliance Retreat

Learn how a just and sustainable transition away from coal and towards a cleaner energy economy in America's Heartland is already happening and how you can help!

[Heartland Coalfield Alliance](#), of which Prairie Rivers Network is a founding member, is leading a retreat in the beautiful Shawnee Hills. The retreat will focus on building skills, networks and campaigns to create a just and sustainable energy future. Camp Ondessonk is an amazing retreat site; don't miss the beauty of the Shawnee Hills this time of year!

**Who:** Everyone!

**When:** May 17-19

**Where:** Camp Ondessonk in the beautiful Shawnee Hills of southern Illinois

[Click here for more information and to register.](#)

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### Champaign-Urbana Proposed Water Sales Public Meeting TONIGHT!

The Urbana Champaign Sanitary District (UCSD) is considering [selling large amounts of water](#) from its Urbana and Champaign sewage treatment plants to a company proposing a fertilizer plant near Tuscola. UCSD has also received a request to sell water to Hallador Energy's Sunrise Coal, the company that is trying to develop the "Bulldog" coal mine southeast of Homer in Vermilion County.

**Please attend the public meeting **TONIGHT** at 6:30 pm at the Urbana sewage treatment plant, 1100 East University Avenue, Urbana.**

**Public comments will be taken. Please come and have your voice heard.**

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**Environmental Lobby Day a Success!**



Representatives from Prairie Rivers Network, Faith In Place, and Sierra Club met with our Illinois lawmakers, including Senator Michael Frerichs, to promote [key bills](#) about clean energy, fracking regulations, and recreational land use.

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## Nutrient Pollution Reduction Strategy Announced

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency and Department of Agriculture have announced they [will be writing a state plan](#) to reduce nutrient pollution. Illinois is one of the leading contributors of nitrogen and phosphorus pollution that causes the annual Dead Zone in the Gulf of Mexico. Will the plan be tough enough?

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## In the News

- [Press Release: Canton residents call on Governor Quinn to halt renewal of strip mine permit](#)
  - [Press Release: After 30 years of inaction, EPA finally proposes plans for power plant water pollution](#)
  - [Conserve Water: LTEs from Prairie Rivers Network members](#)
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333 miles in 56 hours and  
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