

A massive volunteer effort to clean the mighty Mississippi has now expanded to 30 cities and is growing into a summer-long campaign. Living Lands & Water will begin its Great Mississippi River Clean-up on June 11th, when volunteers will gather along the Mississippi from Saint Paul, MN to Prairie Du Chien, WI. Other cities joining this northern most leg of the clean-up will be Red Wing, MN; Wabasha, MN, Winona, MN; Alma, WI; Buffalo City, WI and LaCrosse, WI.

The clean-up, which encompassed 22 cities in its inaugural year, has grown to 30, requiring organizers to expand to monthly clean-ups across the summer. In all, 1,200-1,500 volunteers are expected to take part in this year's clean-up of the iconic waterway.

Living Lands & Waters is an environmental organization established in 1998 and headquartered in East Moline, Illinois. LL&W has removed more than six million pounds of trash through cleanup efforts along the Mississippi, Missouri, Ohio, Illinois and Potomac Rivers since its launch over 12 years ago.

For more information or to sign up as a volunteer, visit www.livinglandsandwaters.org .