



PLANNING & PARKS DEPARTMENT

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RE: Mud Puppy Trapping Volunteers Needed!



The Ozaukee County Fish Passage Program and its partners are continuing fish and wildlife occurrence surveying throughout the remainder of 2011. We have an immediate need for multiple, adventurous volunteers to assist with mudpuppy trapping!

Want to help try to find foot-long aquatic salamanders with big feathery gills in Ozaukee County? You'll need waders and a partner, and a willingness to work in cold water. We'll supply the training and traps. The work involves setting baited minnow traps (breadbox size) and checking them once a day for about a week, in lake and river habitat. They are very slimy but can be dumped into a bucket for photographs and do not need to be directly handled. We also welcome reports of any sightings of mudpuppies in Ozaukee County. They are sometimes caught on hook and line by ice fishermen.

Please contact me or Gary Casper (Great Lakes Ecological Services – contact info below) for information regarding equipment, suggested trapping locations, questions, etc. Feel free to pass this announcement to anyone who may be interested in this unique and exciting opportunity!

Thank you,
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