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CITY OF TWO RIVERS

NEWSLETTER



UPDATE ON WATER UTILITY TESTING FOR PFAS

"Forever Chemicals"--PFAS Explained

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) is conducting a statewide investigation into the occurrence of Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) in drinking water. Wisconsin well water is under threat for PFAS contamination and surface water systems like Two Rivers are under review as detectable amounts have been found in Lake Michigan.

PFAS Sources

PFAS compounds have been manufactured since the 1940's for use in everyday items such as nonstick cookware, water-resistant clothing, and have been used widely in firefighting foams. Our nation is facing challenges related to identifying and managing PFAS in our drinking water. Additional information on this topic can be obtained at <https://www.epa.gov/pfas> and <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/PFAS>.



In 2023, Two Rivers Waterworks tested for eighteen PFAS substances in our drinking water. Of these eighteen, six were detected at low levels, including:

- perfluorobutanesulfonic acid (PFBS)
- perfluoroheptanoic acid (PFHpA)
- perfluorohexanoic acid (PFHxA)
- perfluorohexanesulfonic acid (PFHxS)
- perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA)
- perfluorooctanesulfonic acid (PFOS)

PFAS Hazard Index

In order to calculate multiple PFAS substances that occur simultaneously the Wisconsin Department of Health Services (DHS) recommends evaluating all PFAS substances in a hazard index. Drinking water may pose a health risk if the hazard index is equal to or above 1. Based on samples taken in July 2023, Two Rivers' hazard index was calculated to be 0.268, well below the level of concern.

Additional testing will be conducted throughout 2023. When the results of that testing are received, Two Rivers' hazard index will be re-calculated and the results shared with the community. To learn more about the hazard index visit <https://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/chemical/pfas.htm>.



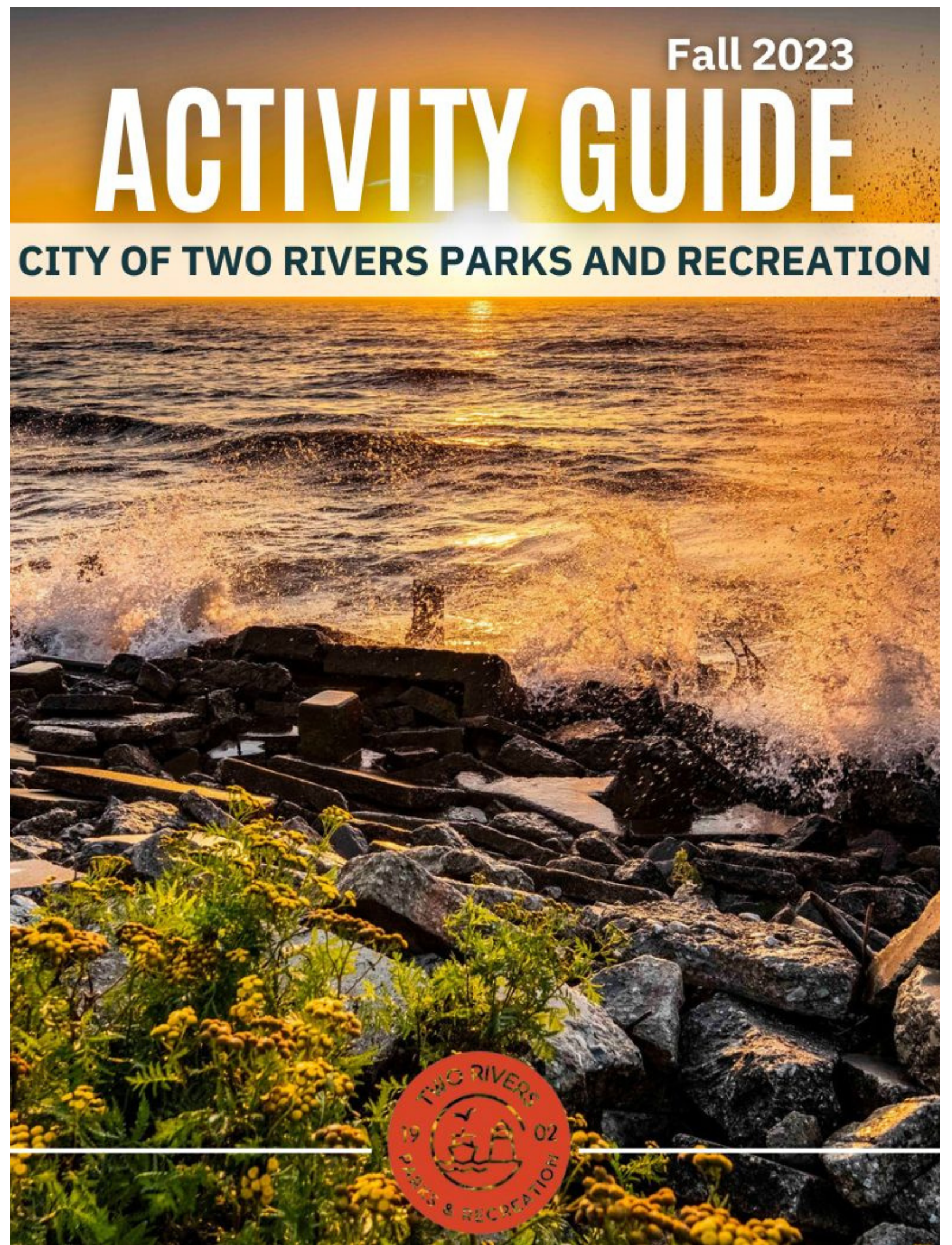
**EMBRACE THE BEAUTY OF
AUTUMN WITH
OUR EXCITING FALL ACTIVITY GUIDE!**

Something for Everyone: From new park adventures to fitness classes and several sport programs, our Fall Activity Guide offers a diverse array of options for all ages and interests.

Outdoor Explorations: Crisp air and colorful foliage beckon you outdoors! Join our nature walks at the NEW Zander Park Natural Play Area. Connect with nature and relish the beauty of fall firsthand.

Fitness Fusion: Elevate your well-being with our fitness classes. From fitness classes to memberships, we've got dynamic workouts that'll keep you energized and active all season long.

Mark Your Calendar: Don't miss out on the excitement! Our Fall Activity Guide is your passport to an autumn filled with laughter, learning, and leisure. Check out the guide for a full schedule of events and activities.
<https://www.flipsnack.com/tworiversparksandrec/fall-2023-activity-guide.html?fbclid=IwAROXGOkHEIhv3eV3A8OWNqQYpqbRORsDXZjve-MtDluD-vf9GyZ4tq7m6ak>

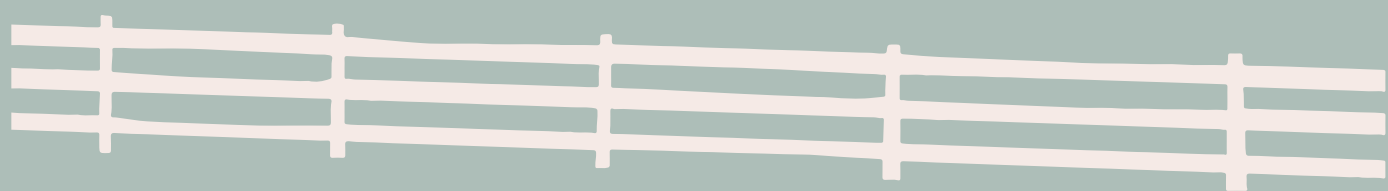


Putting in a Fence?

Here are some tips for this project:

- Always put safety first by contacting Diggers Hotline before you start your project. This free service provides the location of underground facilities. The number to call before digging is **811** or visit the Diggers Hotline website to start the process.
- The City does NOT require a permit to install a fence. However, there are guidelines for the height and location of the fence.

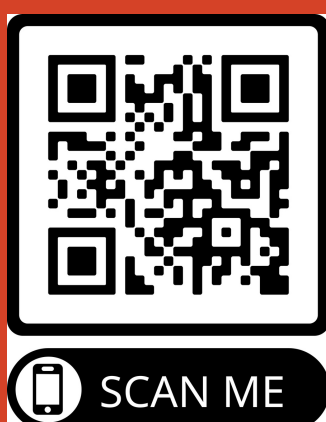
For questions about fence installation, go to Fencing and Screening on the city's website or call the Inspections office at (920) 793-5566.



TWO MINUTES WITH
TWO
RIVERS

LISTEN EVERY THURSDAY!
7:40AM ON WLKN 98.1FM
10:30AM ON WOMT 1240AM

Explore Two Rivers has partnered with Seehafer radio stations WOMT and 98.1 The Lake to deliver a weekly update on activities and attractions in our city. The broadcast, "Two Minutes With Two Rivers" is one part of a broader effort to draw attention to the many things happening in Two Rivers. From the concerts in our new Central Park West, exciting sports events like the War on the Shore Softball Tournament, to our beautiful natural resources like Woodland Dunes, we have so much to be proud of. While two minutes is not nearly enough time to cover the array of attractions, we will continue to get the word out for locals and visitors alike!



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