

News From Congressman John D. Dingell

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Dingell Secures \$800,000 for Humbug Marsh

Public Invited to Express Ideas for Refuge Trails

Dearborn , MI - Congressman John D. Dingell (MI-15) today invited the public to a forum to discuss ecologically-sensitive trail designs for the Humbug Marsh Unit of the Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge. Congressman Dingell secured \$880,000 in federal dollars in the recently passed Highway Bill for the construction of trails on the Humbug site.

"These trails will offer the public a unique view into the last undeveloped US mile of the Detroit River," said Dingell. "Humbug Marsh is rightly considered a jewel of southeast Michigan and the public has a right to experience its splendor in an ecologically sensitive manner."

The forum will be hosted by the Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge, the International Wildlife Refuge Alliance, Wayne County, the Downriver Linked Greenways, Friends of the Detroit River, the Audubon Society, and the University of Michigan-Dearborn. The public is invited to listen and comment on the proposed plans for the Humbug Marsh trails. For further questions, please contact John Hartig (734-692-7608) or Bruce Jones (734-676-6657).

Who : Detroit River Refuge Manager John Hartig, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Services, numerous ecological experts, Office of Congressman John Dingell

What: Humbug Marsh Trail Forum

When : Wednesday, October 12, 2005, 7-9 pm

Where: Grosse Ile Middle School Auditorium
23270 East River Drive, Grosse Ile, Michigan

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