



.....committed to the revitalization and redevelopment of the Root River to create a sense of place,  
promote economic growth, improve water quality,  
and increase public access and interaction in the City of Racine....

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June 25, 2014

City of Racine  
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730 Washington Ave  
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Mr. Molbeck,

The Root River Council, Inc (RRC) is a registered non-profit that has been organizing the community around the revitalization of the Root River since 2006. As part of this effort, RRC organizes public events that draw people to the Root River and associated parklands. RRC is again partnering with area community organizations to organize this year's **Root River Festival**.

The *2014 Root River Festival* is being planned for September 7, 2014. This free public festival aims to build off of the successes of last year's event with a non-profit showcase, live music, community education opportunities, a horse-show, petting zoo, and other family-based activities.

The Root River Council, Inc requests use of Island Park and the Island Park Pavilion for the weekend of September 7, 2014. The event will be hosted on Sunday September 7, 2014 from 10-6pm. As part of this event, RRC requests permission to host live animals for the petting zoo and horse show. The animals would be cordoned off in a fashion similar to last year's event. Thank you for considering this request. Please feel free to contact me or RRC's Outreach Director for further details.

Sincerely,

Monte Osterman  
Chair- Root River Council

Cc: Ben Lehner- RRC Outreach Director  
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