

MEETING NOTICE

**Thursday, February 26, 2015
7:00 PM**

**CMS Suburban North
Regional Office Facility**

9511 Harrison Street

Des Plaines, IL 60016

847-294-4134

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procedures, please park on the
south side of the building and
enter through the south doors
(map enclosed)**

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources would like to invite you to an informational public meeting on our Lake Michigan fishery. Topics of discussion for this meeting will be coded-wire tag returns of Chinook salmon and 2014 salmon harvest, and the status of yellow perch in Lake Michigan.

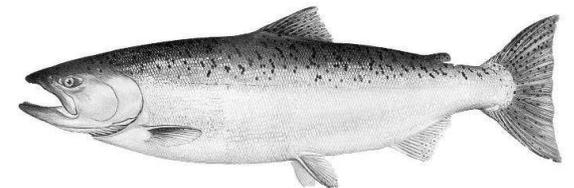
Increases in natural reproduction of Chinook salmon, and declines in the abundance of alewife and overall productivity of the system have required changes to maintain the predator-prey balance. Fisheries management agencies met with constituents in 2012 to decide on changes to the salmon management strategy which were instituted in 2013. Salmon food sources continue to be low and harvest in 2014 was well below expectations. A lakewide coded-wire tagging study of Chinook salmon is providing insights into movements, migration, and natural reproduction.

The abundance of yellow perch declined throughout the lake in the mid-1990s due to poor survival of juvenile perch after 1988. A coordinated program of assessment

and research has continued lakewide since 1997 to monitor changes in the population and investigate the factors contributing to the perch decline. A Yellow Perch Summit was held in Chicago in March 2014 to provide information on the lakewide population and regulations for Illinois were subsequently changed. We will provide updates on the current status of the yellow perch population in the Illinois portion of the lake.

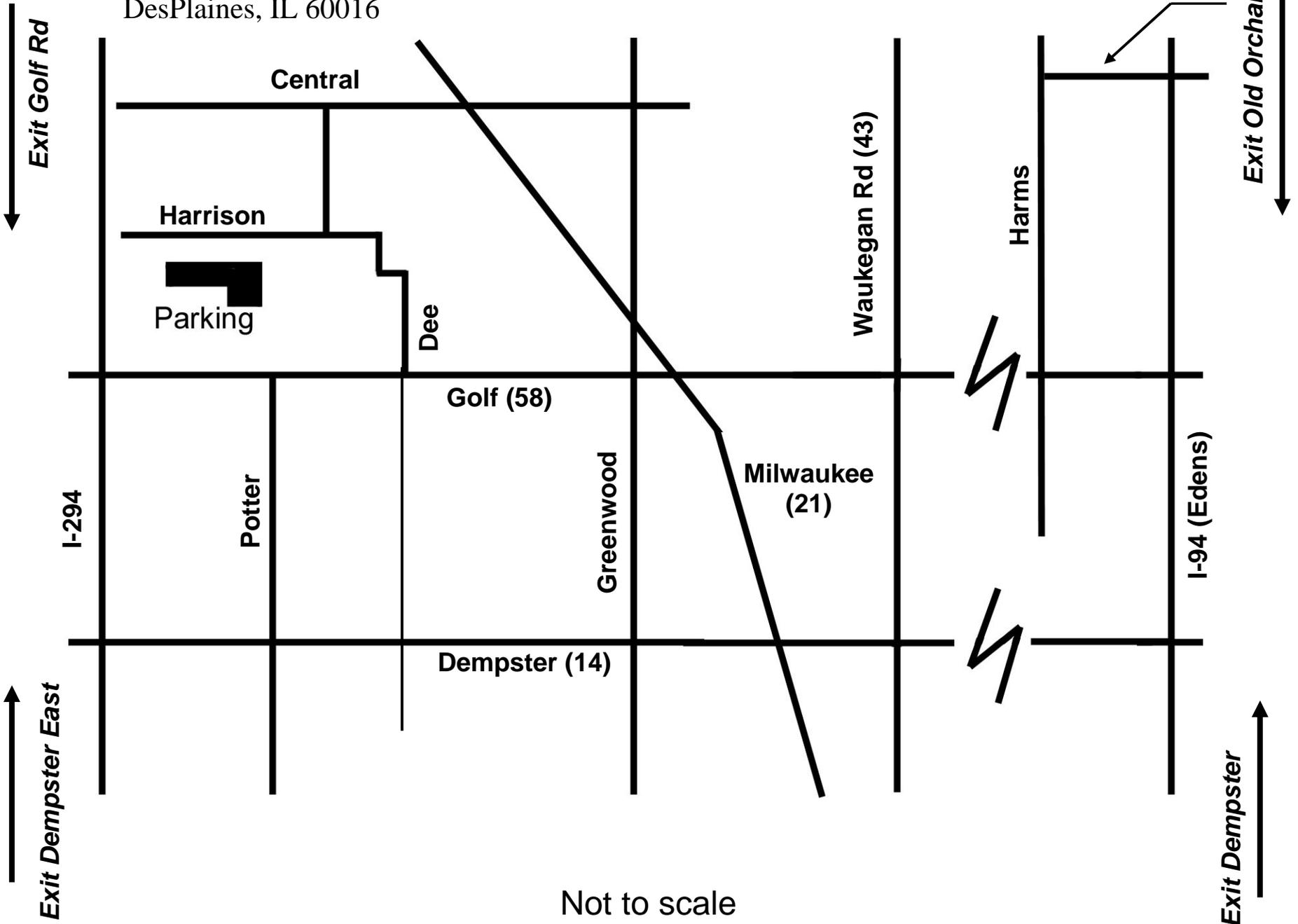
So, please join us and your fellow constituents on February 26, 2015 in Des Plaines. Time will be reserved after the presentations for questions and open discussions of mutual matters of concern. We hope to see you there.

*Illinois Department of Natural Resources
Division of Fisheries*



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North



Not to scale

From the Northwest

294 South

Exit Golf Road (unmanned toll - \$0.95 I-Pass, \$1.90 cash)

East on Golf to Dee Road (Citgo station on SW corner)

North on Dee Road to Harrison

From the Southwest

294 North

Exit Dempster East

East on Dempster to Potter (Wendy's on NW corner)

North on Potter to Golf Road

East on Golf to Dee Road (Citgo station on SW corner)

North on Dee Road to Harrison

From the Northeast

94 East

Exit Old Orchard

West on Old Orchard to Harms

South on Harms to Golf Road

West on Golf to Dee Road (Citgo station on SW corner)

North on Dee Road to Harrison

From the Southeast

94 West

Exit Dempster

West on Dempster to either Waukegan Road, Milwaukee, or Greenwood Avenue

North to Golf Road

West on Golf to Dee Road (Citgo station on SW corner)

North on Dee Road to Harrison

Notes

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