

Upper Mississippi River Restoration Environmental Management Program (UMRR-EMP)

Guidance for Crediting UMRR-EMP and its Long Term Resource Monitoring Program element

Many people within the UMRS Partnership, including the public and private sectors, are unaware of basic information about the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Upper Mississippi River Restoration—Environmental Management Program (UMRR-EMP) and its two elements; Habitat Rehabilitation and Enhancement Projects (UMRR-EMP HREP or HREP) and Long Term Resource Monitoring Program (UMRR-EMP LTRMP or LTRMP). One area of confusion stems from not having standardized language to refer to the UMRR-EMP, and/or its elements, in documents and other communications. This has led to a lack of recognition for all the ways the UMRR-EMP LTRMP element contributes to products and activities on the river.

The UMRR-EMP LTRMP element should be recognized for the products it produces, and for those produced by funding from LTRMP to other agencies. However, there are many other products, river activities, planning efforts, etc., to which LTRMP makes significant contributions, including direct use or leveraging of LTRMP data, staff, expertise, equipment, facilities, etc., that often go unrecognized. Many of these efforts would not be possible without the contributions provided by UMRR-EMP. Giving proper credit to UMRR-EMP helps those unfamiliar with the UMRR-EMP understand how LTRMP supports and enables other important work on the Upper Mississippi River System and other large rivers.

We need to work together to help alleviate any confusion and increase the understanding of what UMRR-EMP is and does. This applies to any communication with partner agencies, scientists, resource managers, program managers, the public, stakeholder groups, NGO's, the media, and congressional personnel. While the focus here is on the LTRMP element, this identification concept applies equally to the HREP element.

Based on the concepts above, the following are examples of text for your use to properly give credit to the UMRR-EMP LTRMP element.

1) For reports, papers, posters, and other documents:

“The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers' Upper Mississippi River Restoration—Environmental Management Program (UMRR-EMP), Long Term Resource Monitoring Program (LTRMP) element is implemented by the U.S. Geological Survey, Upper Midwest Environmental

Sciences Center (UMESC), in cooperation with the five Upper Mississippi River System (UMRS) states of Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, and Wisconsin. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) provides guidance and has overall program responsibility.”

“This study was funded by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ Upper Mississippi River Restoration—Environmental Management Program, Long Term Resource Monitoring Program (LTRMP) element.” *(You could also expand this when appropriate with information like, “implemented by the U.S. Geological Survey ...,” or “in collaboration with [your state or agency name] ...”)*

“This study was conducted by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ Upper Mississippi River Restoration—Environmental Management Program, Long Term Resource Monitoring Program (LTRMP) element. The LTRMP is a cooperative effort between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Geological Survey, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and the states of Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri, and Wisconsin.”

2) For crediting staff:

“...would like to thank *[list scientists/staff/experts]* of the Upper Mississippi River Restoration—Environmental Management Program’s (UMRR-EMP) Long Term Resource Monitoring Program (LTRMP) element for”

3) For identifying on Field Station web sites homepage:

“The *[field station name]* is one of six field stations on the Upper Mississippi River System (UMRS) supported by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ Upper Mississippi River Restoration—Environmental Management Program (UMRR-EMP), Long Term Resource Monitoring Program (LTRMP) element. The mission of the LTRMP is to provide river managers with information and understanding needed to maintain the Upper Mississippi River System as a sustainable multiple-use river ecosystem. Funding and overall management responsibility of the UMRR-EMP is vested with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The LTRMP is administered by the U.S. Geological Survey, Upper Midwest Environmental Sciences Center, in La Crosse, Wisconsin.”

Please use the ‘official’ field station name as listed at the web link below:

http://www.umesc.usgs.gov/field_stations/fs_directory.html

4) For crediting data served on the LTRMP web pages:

[Note for UMESC: this language should be posted on each LTRMP web page where data can be cited , used or copied]

There are no restrictions on the use of data from the UMRR-EMP LTRMP website (www.usgs.umesc.gov/ltrmp.html). However, when citing, copying, or otherwise using these data, we request that the following statements be used to properly acknowledge and credit UMRR-EMP LTRMP. Any acknowledgement of specific data used in an analysis should include the name of the database and date it was accessed:

“Data available from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ Upper Mississippi River Restoration—Environmental Management Program, Long Term Resource Monitoring Program (LTRMP) element, at [*give web address*]”.

“The data used in this study were collected through the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ Upper Mississippi River Restoration—Environmental Management Program, Long Term Resource Monitoring Program (LTRMP) element. Data from the [*identify data type*] component of LTRMP were accessed on [*give date accessed*] at [*give web address*]”.

“These data are a product of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ Upper Mississippi River Restoration—Environmental Management Program, Long Term Resource Monitoring Program (LTRMP) element, as distributed by the U.S. Geological Survey, Upper Midwest Environmental Sciences Center, La Crosse, Wisconsin [*give web address*]”.

5) HREP/LTRMP Integration efforts, products, etc

All HREP/LTRMP integration products and efforts should be credited to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers’ Upper Mississippi River Restoration—Environmental Management Program.