



# Kendall County

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## **Fox River closed to recreational traffic from Pistakee Lake south to Millington**

The Illinois Department of Natural Resources (IDNR) has announced the closure of the Fox River from the mouth of the river at Pistakee Lake, south to the Bridge Street Bridge at Millington effective at 3:00 p.m. Friday, Sept. 13, 2019.

IDNR Conservation Police report flooding, dangerous currents, floating debris and submerged structures have created hazardous conditions on the Fox River leading to the closure of the river and prohibiting recreational river traffic.

“Recent flooding means conditions on the river are unsafe for boaters and other recreational activity and could lead to bodily harm or even death,” said IDNR Office of Law Enforcement Director Jerry Costello. “Conditions are treacherous not only for those recreating, but also for our emergency response personnel should they be asked to respond to an accident or injury on the water. Our officers will continue to monitor the waterway and will reopen it as soon as conditions improve.”

Please see the following link for more information:

<https://www.dnr.illinois.gov/closures/Documents/FoxRiverfrommouthatPistakeeLaketobridgeSt-LakeMcHenryKaneKendall09132019.pdf>

The following counties are impacted by the closure: Lake, McHenry, Kane and Kendall counties.