



**Arkansas River Corridor Access Plan
Meeting Notes
South Hutchinson and Oxford
Public Open Houses**

Summary of Issues

- Making sure river users respect private property
 - Boundaries need to be clearly understood and posted (signage, fencing)
 - Security must be adequate; responsibility for security clearly identified
 - Landowner liability
- Managing conflicting uses:
 - Quiet, low impact uses vs. louder, higher impact uses
- Preventing undesirable activities
 - Poaching, hunting, shooting
 - Vandalism, theft
 - Trash
 - Large parties
 - Trespassing
 - Drug use and production
- Controlling and maintaining sites
 - Need to identify responsibilities
 - Look for partnership opportunities (Cities, user groups, Scouts)
- Acquisition of sites
 - Fear of use of eminent domain or similar
 - Easements
 - Fair value
 - Effect on property values
- Location of access points
 - Criteria for selection
 - Concentrate in cities not rural areas
 - Put next to public road
- Site Amenities
 - Signage is important to emphasize rules of use, respect for private property, and location information for people getting to and from the river
 - Restrooms are important for all
 - Amenities that promote security and encourage good maintenance are important
 - Different amenities are needed for different user types
 - Picnic facilities would be important to people who canoe, kayak and fish
 - People who fish and air boat need separate docks/ramps
 - Boaters need permanent tie-up facilities
- Portage facilities and information about them is important