

# Do you have what it takes to be a Plastic Pollution Detective?

Join the Mississippi River Plastic Pollution Initiative!

## IMPORTANT DATES:

06/07/2022 4pm Virtual Debris Tracker App Training - [Register Here](#)

06/08/2022 noon Virtual Debris Tracker App Training - [Register Here](#)

06/11/2022 1pm Plastic Pollution Initiative "Launch" Press and Public Collection Event

06/11/2022 - 07/17/2022 Data Collection start and end date

Up to **80% of marine plastic originates on land**, and rivers are a major route for litter to travel to the ocean. **You can be part of the solution** to combat plastic pollution along the Mississippi River!



- 1 Download the [Marine Debris Tracker App](#) on your device.
- 2 Select 'Mississippi River Plastic Pollution/MRCTI' from the organization list.
- 3 Download the [Mississippi River Citizen Science Field Guide](#). The guide provides detailed information on how to use the App, and how to collect data easily and safely.
- 4 Select a data collection area. Any data collected is valuable, but we encourage you to choose a designated area on the map:  
[Rosedale](#) | [Greenville](#)  
Google Maps will open, showing yellow squares so you can easily select a location.
- 5 **Take a walk, collect data!** Follow the 3ft-wide path and record all items within it for 20 - 30 minutes. Do your best to track the debris you find within the marked square or just adjacent to it. We'll use this randomly sampled data for scientific analysis.