

# Black Hawk County Water Trails Master Plan



## Emergency Response

**In any emergency, the first response should be to call 911.**

911 calls throughout Black Hawk County are sent to the Consolidated Public Safety Communication Center. The center combines police, fire, and emergency medical services and uses one radio system. Dispatchers can quickly communicate with the appropriate department to respond to an emergency. It is a good system and communication is in place.

The Master Plan may identify additional river accesses to improve emergency response. Only new accesses with an apparent emergency response benefit will be considered. Ongoing maintenance of existing river accesses is already a challenge for the cities and county.

Be sure that your phone is fully charged and the GPS or “Location” setting is turned on. In the event of an emergency, the dispatcher will be able to determine your location if this function is active. On many phones, this function can be found under the Settings, Privacy, or Connections menus.

