



Marine Highway M-3

Route Name: Kaskaskia River

Sponsor: The Kaskaskia Regional Port District

Route Designated: 2022

Landside Route Served: I1Rt. 4/15, I1Rt.13, I1Rt.154, I1Rt.3

Route Description: The Kaskaskia River is located entirely in the State of Illinois. It is the second longest river in Illinois. Its watershed includes 10.2% of the State. The river originates in central Illinois around Champaign, Illinois and terminates at its confluence with the Mississippi River—a more than 300 miles. The Jerry F. Costello Lock and Dam is the only lock and dam on the Kaskaskia River. It is located immediately upstream from the confluence of Kaskaskia and Mississippi Rivers. The Lock consists of a single lock chamber that is 84 ft. wide and 600 ft. long. The dam consists of two 30 ft. by 60 ft. gates. The lock and dam are located at River Mile 0.8 on the Kaskaskia River. The Army Corps of Engineers maintains the lock and dam and ensures a 9 ft. channel for the navigation project up to Fayetteville, Illinois.

Route Length: 36 Statute Miles

