

Water Minute # 32 – Gather by the River– 60 second

Here in the Red River Basin, we have often thought of rivers more as obstacles than as destinations. But that attitude is changing, particularly about the “mighty” Red!

The Forks area in downtown Winnipeg located on the banks of the Assiniboine and Red Rivers attracts upwards of 4 million visitors each year. Its lure? Plenty of shopping and restaurants—and, of course, Festival Park’s historical interpretive path and many outdoor concerts.

Have you visited the new greenway of 2,200 acres on both banks of the Red that extends through most of Grand Forks/East Grand Forks? If you haven’t, you’re missing an expansive park area right in a city that offers golf courses, campgrounds, bike trails, and fishing sites.

Have you strolled the new Main Avenue bridge in Fargo-Moorhead or taken a look at the new upscale face of the landscaping and construction on both sides of the bridge? Greenery and trails, new shops, businesses, apartments and condos are sprouting up to define an area that is deep with history yet all new and comfortably inviting!

In town? Want a new destination? Think the Red River!

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