

AT RISK: St. Anthony Falls and Mill Ruins Park



The Crown Hydro project poses an unquantifiable risk to one of the city's most historic and scenic venues.

Crown Hydro is attempting to force the Minneapolis Park & Recreation Board to lease public park land within Mill Ruins Park to build an ill-conceived and controversial power plant and siphon water from the historic St. Anthony Falls.

St. Anthony Falls is the only natural waterfall on the Mississippi river, and is the primary focal point of the City's downtown riverfront redevelopment. No risks should be taken with the existing geological and historic formation.

ATTEND THIS IMPORTANT MEETING

Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board Meeting

2117 West River Road (next to Broadway Pizza)

May 18, 2011

5:00 PM

Agenda Item: A Vote on an Agreement with Crown Hydro, LLC

What Are the Concerns?

- The sale or leasing of public land to private industry
- Disturbance or damage to the fragile Mill Ruins
- Impact on surrounding unique historic and archeological resources
- Minor power generation (3.4 megawatt plant = 2200 households)
- Projected power generation likely to fall short
- Visual impact of removing river discharge from St. Anthony Falls
- Lack of design specifications
- Impact on riverfront long-range vision and development plans
- Financial risks and viability
- Loss of local control due to state legislation
- Lack of trust with developer and unknown future ownership
- Zoning, soil contamination, impacts on locks and dams
- Lack of open hearing process and citizen involvement
- Lack of support

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Who do I Contact?

Please let those who will make these decisions
know how you view this project.
Please vote No to Crown Hydro.

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