

# RiverWorks Discovery® presents:

## RWD WHO WORKS THE RIVERS



A FREE CAREER EDUCATION EVENT FOR GRADES 11-12 WITH AN INTRODUCTION TO THE GREATER CHICAGO AREA MARITIME COMMUNITY

### DID YOU KNOW...

- In 1836, construction began on the I & M Canal and Channahon became the site for one of the locks that were needed along the waterway.
- Its name meaning "Meeting of the Waters" in the language of the area's original Potawatomi inhabitants, Channahon is located at the confluence of the Des Plaines and Kankakee rivers, where they form the Illinois River. The Illinois and Michigan Canal runs through most of the village, where it is fed by the water of the DuPage River.



The Brandon Road Lock and Dam is a lock and dam complex along the Des Plaines River in Joliet, Illinois. The complex was built from 1927 to 1933 in conjunction with the construction of the Illinois Waterway, which allowed for barge travel between Lake Michigan and the Mississippi River. The lock and dam is also used to regulate water levels on the river between Lockport and Joliet. The lock at the complex is 110 by 600 feet (34 by 183 m) and has four Tainter gates, while the dam is 2,372 feet (723 m) long and includes concrete and earthen segments.

## In Partnership with the Greater Chicago Area Maritime Community



### STUDENTS WILL...

- Participate in a mini-career fair event.
- Meet with representatives from the maritime industry and related fields.
- Enjoy a free lunch after the career fair.
- Participate in a mini-deckhand training session.
- Tour Brandon Road Lock & Dam.

**Who:** 11th-12th grade High School students

**What:** FREE Career Education Event  
\*Including lunch and bus transportation

**When:** April 12, 2019 ~ 9:00am - 1:30pm

**Where:** Four Rivers Environmental Education Center  
(Forest Preserve District of Will Co.)  
25055 W. Walnut Lane  
Channahon, IL 60410

**Lock & Dam Tour:**  
Brandon Road Lock & Dam  
1100 Brandon Rd.  
Joliet, IL 60436



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