Asian Carp Update

The Tellico Village Government Affairs Advisory Committee met on August 27th with U.S. Representative Chuck Fleischmann (Tennessee District 3, which includes Monroe County). He brought us up to date on several issues, including the effort against the migration of Asian Carp into the upper Tennessee River basin.

About Representative Fleischmann (follow the links below for more information):

Chuck serves on the <u>Appropriations Committee</u> which is vitally important to the residents of the 3rd District. Within the Committee he serves on three crucial subcommittees:

- Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies
- Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies
- Homeland Security

His work on the Appropriations Committee has resulted in him being well-informed regarding the Asian Carp situation. He reminded us of the appropriations as follows:

- 2020 \$25 million
- 2021 \$25 million
- 2022 \$26 million

You can help! Representative Fleischmann encouraged us to keep the pressure on the following elected officials and the federal agencies who have the authority to make decisions regarding closing locks to install barriers. For sample letters, click here: https://www.tellicovillagepoa.org/asian-carp-update/.

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