

EPA marks river fire that sparked improved water quality

June 22 -- The U.S. EPA today commemorated the 40th anniversary of the infamous Cuyahoga River fire that is credited with galvanizing the nation's environmental movement and leading to improvements in water quality.

The agency was planning a noon event in downtown Cleveland.

The EPA's Web site will mark the anniversary and include recorded interviews with people who have worked on the river cleanup. The EPA has also invited the public to share memories and photos of the river on social networking sites Facebook and Flickr.

Those interested can share stories about the Cuyahoga River at www.epa.gov/region5/news/features/cuyahoga40th.html.

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