

## David Moran

### Paddle and Pedal Southeast Michigan's Huron River Water Trail

With Kris Olsson



Huron River 104! Paddle and Pedal Southeast Michigan's Huron River Water Trail. Take a visual tour of a section-by-section trip of the entire river completed in a single summer. A protective designation as a "Country Scenic Natural River," and its route through ten Metroparks, three state parks and countless small community parks give the Huron an "up north" feel with the convenience of a short drive-time and nearby amenities.

Last summer, Kris Olsson and Dave Moran of Ann Arbor, Michigan decided to add some goals to their summer recreation; they would complete the "Huron River 104" (<https://huronriverwatertrail.org/huron104/>) trip along the entire 104-mile Huron River Water Trail (<https://huronriverwatertrail.org>) in a single year. The river's state designation as a "Country Scenic Natural River," and its route through ten Metroparks, three state parks and countless small community parks give the Huron an "up north" feel with the convenience of a short drive-time and nearby amenities. So, they could complete each stretch with, at most, a 40 minute drive to their launch site. To add some exercise for their legs, they decided to bicycle back to their cars for each stretch, as well, taking advantage of the miles of dedicated pathways (and some country roads) along the Water Trail. Kris and Dave will share their experiences with pictures, maps, and stories.

David joins Kris in bicycling, skiing, paddling, and other outdoor adventures. He teaches law at the University of Michigan Law School, where he co-founded the Michigan Innocence Clinic in January 2009 to litigate claims of actual innocence by prisoners in cases where DNA evidence is not available. Dave has two Masters of Science (physics, mathematics) degrees from University of Michigan and Cambridge University (UK), as well as a law degree from the University of Michigan Law School. He lives in Ann Arbor with his wife and co-paddler, Kris Olsson, and their two daughters and three dogs.

