Where does your runoff go?

The Five Things You Can Do

to protect our waterways not only make a difference locally but downstream as well. Find out where runoff from your home ends up by figuring out your watershed address. The area of land that drains to a waterway such as a river or lake is its watershed. Each watershed is part of a bigger watershed.

The Springfield area is made up of many small watersheds shown on the map at left. These small watersheds drain into one of two larger watersheds – the James River or the Sac River. Some portions of the Springfield area are not part of a smaller watershed, but drain directly into the James River or the Sac River. These two watersheds are each part of different, larger watersheds that eventually drain to the Gulf of Mexico.

These watersheds are part of the larger James River Watershed

These watersheds are part of the larger Sac River Watershed

What is YOUR Watershed Address?

Find where you live on the map at left. Determine which small watershed you live in. The small watersheds are outlined in black (ex. Galloway Creek). If the watershed you live in is blue, it is part of the larger James River Watershed. If the watershed you live in is green, it is part of the larger Sac River Watershed. To complete your watershed address, fill in the appropriate blank below above either the James River or the Sac River with the name of the small watershed you live in. It is possible that you live in an area that drains directly to the James River or the Sac River rather than to a smaller watershed first. If so, your watershed address starts with either the James River or the Sac River.

My Watershed Address:

_____	Or	_____
James River		Sac River (Stockton Lake)
White River (Table Rock Lake)		Osage River
Mississippi River		Missouri River
Gulf of Mexico		Mississippi River
		Gulf of Mexico

Springfield Area Watersheds

Major Roads
Streams
Watersheds

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