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City Utilities receives state parks award



Left to right: Former Parks Director Dan Kinney, Parks Director Bob Belote, City Utilities Associate General Manager - Operations Wade Stinson, and Ozark Greenways Executive Director Terry Whaley pose with the 2014 MPRA Citation Award.


City Utilities of Springfield is being honored for many years of partnership with the Springfield-Greene County Park Board.

City Utilities received the Missouri Parks and Recreation Association's prestigious Citation Award Thursday night at the association's annual conference at Lake of the Ozarks.

Parks Director Bob Belote nominated City Utilities for the award, noting long-term agreements for development of Lake Springfield Park, Valley Water Mill Park, Dan Kinney Park and several Ozark Greenways trails on City Utilities property.

"This is the highest award our state association gives to a partnering agency, and we're very happy to see City Utilities honored for all it has done for the community in its support for recreation and outdoor efforts," said Belote. "City Utilities' community-minded approach has enabled Springfield park patrons and visitors alike to realize many outdoor recreation activities and amenities, including fishing, boating, trail hiking, bird watching, pavilion use, family gatherings and outdoor interpretation."

Belote also noted City Utilities' management of Springfield water sources Fellows Lake and McDaniel Lake as Springfield water sources as recreational areas.



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General Manager - Operations, accepted the award. The plans to present the award to the Board of Public Utilities

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