



Springfield Area
Directory of Environmental
Agencies and Organizations



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Welcome to the Springfield Area Directory of Environmental Agencies and Organizations...

...The purpose of this directory is to provide information about government agencies, not-for-profit, and member-based organizations serving Springfield and Greene County that are active in protecting our natural environment. The directory has been compiled by Springfield/Greene County *Choose Environmental Excellence* as a service to the community. The directory will be periodically updated to include new submissions as they are received.

In addition to providing contact information for several environmental agencies and organizations, each listing in the directory also provides information that will allow the user to determine which agency or organization will best meet a particular need.

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www.springfieldmo.gov/cee
www.OzarksEnvironment.com

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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Branch Region VII

Department Solid Waste

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Pollution Prevention Section

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Website www.epa.gov

Mission area Solid waste and pollution
prevention including source
reduction, Energy Star,
sustainable materials
management, recycling

Programs available Advisory, regulatory, and
partnership programs

Description:

The Environmental Protection Agency's solid waste and pollution prevention programs promote reducing solid waste through source reduction, sustainable materials management, and recycling. Programs also promote source reduction to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, toxics / pollutants, conserve energy and water, and to save businesses money. The EPA promotes public/private partnerships to achieve these goals through programs such as WasteWise and Energy Star and supports pollution prevention grant programs. Program priorities include promoting sustainable materials management and pollution prevention in food management / manufacturing, the built environment, packaging, climate change mitigation, and toxics reduction.

U.S. Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS)

Branch Greene County Service Center

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City Springfield, MO 65802

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Fax number (855) 864-2011

Mission areas Agriculture land use, water
quality, animal waste, urban
conservation issues

Programs available Technical assistance and
conservation planning, cost-share
assistance to install agricultural
conservation practices

Description:

Formerly the Soil Conservation Service, the *NRCS* provides conservation planning, technical assistance and cost assistance to clients (individuals, groups, and units of government). These clients develop and implement conservation plans to protect, conserve, and enhance natural resources (soil, water, air, plants, and animals) within their related social and economic interests. Financial assistance programs can help apply these conservation plans on agricultural land.

Conservation planning is a natural resource problem—solving and management process. The process integrates ecological, economic, and social considerations to meet private and public needs. Conservation planning helps clients, conservationists, and others view the environment as a living system of which humans are an integral part. NRCS works with cropland, hayland, pastureland and woodland resources.

NRCS is a Federal Agency under the U.S. Department of Agriculture that works in cooperation with, and provides housing for, the Greene County Soil and Water Conservation District.

Missouri Department of Conservation Nature Center

Branch Springfield Conservation
Nature Center

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City Springfield, MO 65804

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Website www.mdc.mo.gov/node/287

Mission areas Wildlife, fisheries, forestry, and
education

Programs available Public education, volunteers

Description:

The Springfield Conservation Nature Center is an interpretive center under the direction of the *Missouri Department of Conservation*. The Nature Center involves the public in nature awareness and facilitates the wise use of resources.

In the exhibit area, visitors are exposed to a variety of natural communities. On the 2.86 miles of trails, they can also experience several different types of wildlife and habitats firsthand. The Center offers educational programming to schools, organizations and the general public year round, and the exhibits are available 5 to 5 ½ days a week.

Missouri Department of Conservation Regional Office

Branch Springfield Regional Office

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Consultant

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Website www.missouriconservation.org

Mission areas Wildlife, land use

Programs available Advisory, regulatory,
public education, research,
training

Description

The *Missouri Department of Conservation* regulates the state's fish, forest and wildlife resources. This authority includes establishing hunting and fishing seasons, limits and methods, and enforcing wildlife codes. The MDC offers educational programs for schools and at nature centers around the state. Landowner services in areas that include forestry, wildlife habitat development, fisheries, stream stabilization and pond development and management are also offered.

Missouri Department of Conservation Storm Drain Stenciling Project

Department..... Missouri Department of Conservation

Contact..... Kat Lackman

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City..... Jefferson City, MO 65102

Telephone 573-522-4115, ext. 3157

Fax Number 573-526-0990

Mission areas..... Water quality, stream stewardship, watershed education

Programs available..... Curriculum, public education training, volunteers

Website..... www.mostreamteam.org

Description:

The *Missouri Storm Drain Stenciling Project* involves citizen volunteers in stenciling storm drains with the slogan DUMP NO WASTE, DRAINS TO STREAMS, educating the community and cleaning up litter. Registered Stream Team volunteers may receive free Storm Drain Stenciling Kits containing instructions, background information, and stencils. A supporting curriculum and video is also available.

Missouri Department of Natural Resources – Air Pollution Control

Branch Southwest Regional Office
Department Air Pollution Control Unit
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Mission areas Air quality
Programs available Advisory, regulatory
Website www.dnr.mo.gov

Description:

The *Southwest Regional Air Pollution Control Unit* serves the southwest area of the state of Missouri with the exception of the City of Springfield, which has an air quality regulatory agency of its own.

The *Air Pollution Control Unit*:

- Provides information about environmental laws and regulations
- Investigates complaints from concerned citizens
- Conducts inspections of facilities that are sources of regulated air pollutants

The Regional office staff works daily with air pollution issues and problems to provide access to the *Missouri Department of Natural Resources Air Pollution Control Program* at a local level.

Missouri Department of Natural Resources – Hazardous Waste Management

Branch Southwest Regional Office

Department Hazardous Waste Management

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Website www.dnr.mo.gov

Mission areas Hazardous Waste Management

Programs available Advisory, regulatory

Description:

The *Hazardous Waste Unit* provides the following services:

- Technical assistance related to hazardous waste management and disposal
- Interpretation of state and federal hazardous waste regulations
- Investigation of complaints related to hazardous waste
- Compliance evaluation inspections at facilities that generate hazardous waste

Missouri Department of Natural Resources – Drinking Water *Inspection Unit*

Department..... Missouri Department of Natural Resources

Regional Office Southwest Regional Office

Section Drinking Water Section

Contact Mark Rader

Position..... Drinking Water Section Chief

Unit..... Drinking Water Inspection Unit

Contact Judy Charlton

Position..... Public Drinking Water Inspection Unit Chief

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City..... Springfield, MO 65807

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Fax number (417) 891-4399

Website www.dnr.mo.gov

Mission areas Public drinking water

Programs available Advisory, regulatory

Description:

The Drinking Water Inspection Unit inspects and conducts investigations for public water supplies in 25 Southwest Missouri counties. A public water supply has at least 15 service connections or regularly serves an average of 25 or more persons at least 60 days per year.

Activities of the unit include:

- Compliance and operations inspections
- Investigation of concerns, emergencies, and unsafe samples
- Technical assistance

Missouri Department of Natural Resources – Drinking Water *Compliance Unit*

<u>Department</u>	Missouri Department of Natural Resources
<u>Regional Office</u>	Southwest Regional Office
<u>Section</u>	Drinking Water Section
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<u>Unit</u>	Drinking Water Compliance Unit
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<u>Website</u>	www.dnr.mo.gov
<u>Mission areas</u>	Public drinking water
<u>Programs available</u>	Compliance assistance, enforcement, issue boil orders

Description:

The Drinking Water Compliance Unit enforces regulations, issues boil orders and provides compliance assistance for public water supplies in 25 Southwest Missouri counties. A public water supply has at least 15 service connections or regularly serves an average of 25 or more persons at least 60 days per year.

Activities of the unit include:

- Priority Inspections
- Investigation of concerns, emergencies, and unsafe samples
- Compliance assistance
- Promulgation of boil water orders
- Enforcement of regulations for public water systems

Missouri Department of Natural Resources

Drinking Water

Engineering and Assistance Unit

<u>Department</u>	Missouri Department of Natural Resources
<u>Regional Office</u>	Southwest Regional Office
<u>Section</u>	Drinking Water Section
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<u>Mission areas</u>	Public drinking water
<u>Programs available</u>	Advisory, regulatory

Description:

The Drinking Water Engineering and Assistance Unit conducts Sanitary Surveys, investigations, and Construction Inspections of public water supplies in 25 Southwest Missouri counties. A public water supply has at least 15 service connections or regularly serves an average of 25 or more persons at least 60 days per year.

Activities of the Unit include:

- Conduct Sanitary Surveys of existing public drinking water supplies
- Investigation of concerns
- Conduct Site Surveys for proposed public water supply wells to identify the sources of potential contaminants
- Track construction activities and conduct all necessary site inspections
- Conduct Construction Inspections for public water supplies with a focus on new public water supplies
- Complete Final Inspections of New Plants and Treatment Plant Improvements, Pumping Stations, Storage Facilities, Wells and Distribution Systems Extensions
- Provide technical assistance to owners/operators of public water supply distribution and treatment facilities
- Conduct operator training activities, including surveys, personal contacts, and needs assessments as well as on-site training in the region
- Supervise the administration of certification examinations in the region
- Respond to citizen and/or operator inquiries regarding interpretation of the operator certification regulations

Missouri Department of Natural Resources – Solid Waste Management

Branch Southwest Regional Office
Department Solid Waste Management
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Mission areas Solid Waste Management
Programs available Advisory, regulatory
Website www.dnr.mo.gov

Description:

The *Solid Waste Management Unit* strives to help the state of Missouri reduce, reuse, and recycle its solid waste. Further, the *Unit* ensures compliance with solid waste laws and regulations.

The *Unit* provides the following services:

- Complaint investigation related to illegal disposal of solid waste
- Enforcement of solid waste laws and regulations
- Inspection of landfills, transfer stations, and waste tire facilities
- Technical assistance related to recycling, solid waste disposal, and waste tire disposal

Missouri Department of Natural Resources – Water Pollution Control

Branch Southwest Regional Office

Department Water Pollution Control

Contact Kevin Hess / Tina White /
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Water Pollution Section
Chief (Kevin), Water Pollution
Permitting and Air & Land Unit
Chief (Randall)

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Fax number (417) 891-4399

Website www.dnr.mo.gov

Mission areas Water quality

Programs available Advisory, regulatory

Description:

The *Water Pollution Control Unit* administers regulations and/or provides technical assistance to the following areas:

- Wastewater discharge permitting
- Wastewater treatment facility construction
- National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) compliance evaluation
- Animal waste facilities
- Water quality investigations and monitoring

Missouri Department of Natural Resources – Water Pollution Control (Engineering)

Branch Southwest Regional Office

Department Water Pollution Control
Engineering

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Mission areas Water quality

Programs available Advisory, regulatory

Description:

The *Engineering Section* of the *Water Pollution Control Unit* provides technical assistance for the implementation of the Missouri Clean Water Act. The *Unit's* primary functions are as follows:

- Technical review of engineering plans and specifications for proposed and upgraded wastewater treatment facilities in order to assure compliance with design regulations
- Construction inspections of approved wastewater treatment facilities
- National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) compliance evaluations

Missouri Emergency Response Commission (MERC)

Branch Executive Branch

Department Missouri Emergency
Response Commission
(MERC)

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Description:

The mission of the *Missouri Emergency Response Commission* is to protect public health and the environment by assisting communities with chemical incident prevention, preparedness, response and recovery; and by receiving, processing and reporting on chemical information received under the community right-to-know laws.

Missouri State University Bull Shoals Field Station

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Specialist II

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Website.....bullshoals.missouristate.edu

Mission Area(s)..... Ecology/biological research;
education about Missouri Ozarks
ecosystems

Programs available.....Leopold Education Project (LEP),
Bull Shoals Lake Water Quality Monitoring; Green Leadership Academy for Diverse
Ecosystems (GLADE), a summer residential program of ecology learning and service for
students entering 11th and 12th grades

Description:

The Bull Shoals Field Station is operated by the Missouri State University and is located in Kirbyville, MO within the Drury Conservation Area. The Field Station's mission is to provide a location for faculty, students, and visiting scientists to conduct research and educational programs that increase public understanding of southwest Missouri ecosystems. Facilities include a classroom building, a laboratory with water, two dormitory residences, and a large outdoor shelter.

Missouri Stream Teams

Contact..... Kat Lackman

Position Stream Team Coordinator,
Ozark Unit

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Website..... www.mostreamteam.org

Mission areas.....water quality, stream stewardship,
watershed education

Programs available..... Curriculum, Storm Drain
Stenciling, Water Quality
Monitoring, Adopt-An-Access

Description:

The Missouri Stream Team Program enables volunteers to help protect and improve Missouri streams. The Program is, arguably, the best in the nation, and is emulated by many other states. Training and equipment is provided for numerous activities including litter pickups, water quality monitoring, educational projects, tree planting, storm drain stenciling, and other projects. The Program is administered by three sponsors: the Departments of Conservation and Natural Resources, and the Conservation Federation of Missouri. There is no cost or obligation to become a Stream Team.

Southwest Missouri Resource Conservation and Development (RC & D) Council

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Position.....Chair
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Mission areas..... Fire protection, forestry and
grassland management, water
quality, water quantity, air
quality, soil erosion, fisheries,
wildlife, outreach, and
sustainability

Projects in 2014

Fire Protection

- Two contractors are hired by Southwest Missouri RC&D to work with fire departments and the public to protect homes, businesses, and land from wildfire in south Missouri; funded fire departments to help pay for Fire Protection Open Houses; funded fire departments to work with homeowners to complete Homeowner Fire Risk Assessments; educated the public about fire protection through billboards; and worked with communities to plan and implement Community Wildfire Protection Plans. Projects funded by USDA Forest Service and co-sponsored by the Missouri Department of Conservation.

Trees for Joplin Fund

- Southwest Missouri RC&D established a “Trees for Joplin” fund with the Community Foundation of the Ozarks to help restore trees to the city ravaged by a tornado in May 2011. It has been estimated to wrap up the successful project in 2016.

Feral Hog Education

- Educated the public about the dangers of feral hogs and the threat they pose to our land, agriculture, water, and wildlife.

Sustainability

- Participating in Community Foundation of the Ozarks’ Stewardship Ozarks Initiative. Donations to Southwest Missouri RC&D Endowment will be matched 100% and will be used to improve our ability to impact our natural resources and our community for years to come.

State Emergency Management Agency – Hazardous Materials Program

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Website <http://sema.dps.mo.gov/>

Mission areas..... All hazard planning to
include hazardous materials

Programs available..... Planning, guidance, and
information & education
brochures

Description:

SEMA's Hazardous Materials Program assists the local jurisdiction and first responders in preparing response plans, procedures and checklists for hazardous materials incidents in accordance with federal and state regulations, laws and guidance. *SEMA* can assist in scheduling awareness and operational level training and distribute *FEMA* and *SEMA* publications on request. *SEMA* also assists local jurisdictions in developing, conducting, and evaluating hazardous material exercises.

University of Missouri Extension

Branch Greene County

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City Springfield, MO 65807

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Mission areas Community Education

Programs available Public education, volunteers

Website www.extension.missouri.edu/greene

Description:

The Greene County *University of Missouri Extension* offers youth leadership and community service programs related to environmental issues for young people ages 5 to 18. Adult volunteers guide and support youth activities.

Ozarks Headwaters Recycling and Materials Management District

(Solid Waste Management District “O”)

Contact.....Angie Filbeck, District Planner
Jennifer Brown, Administrative Assistant

Address 940 Boonville Ave., 3rd Floor

City..... Springfield, MO 65802

Telephone (417) 868-4197

Fax number (417) 829-6260

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Mission areas Solid Waste Management/Recycling

Programs available

Ozarks Headwaters Recycling & Materials Management District (OHRD) provides grant funds for projects that divert waste from landfills. OHRD is committed to working with local organizations (public and private) to support a variety of projects to recycle and reuse discarded materials. Grant applications are accepted annually and project support is provided for grantees.

OHRD is dedicated to assisting residents with all questions regarding recycling and to disseminating information about recycling opportunities.

Recycling Centers in Waste District “O”

Dallas County – Buffalo – 345-2701

Christian County – Nixa, Ozark, Sparta – 581-2112

Greene County – Fair Grove – 759-2353 Willard – 742-3033 Republic – 732-9253

Springfield – Several Locations – Recycling Hotline: 864-1904 www.springfieldmo.gov/recycling

Polk County – Bolivar – 327-7956

Webster County – Marshfield, Seymour – 468-2223

Organization Description

In the early 1990’s, the Missouri Legislature divided the State into several solid waste management districts in an effort to reduce the amount of solid waste disposal statewide by 40%. Solid Waste Management District “O”, formed in 1992, is the result of this State mandate. District “O” includes Dallas, Christian, Greene, Polk, and Webster Counties and the City of Springfield. These entities have been working together for several years to coordinate local environmental efforts, with a commitment to recycling and other waste reduction programs and activities.

An Executive Board consisting of representatives from each member county and the City of Springfield governs District “O” obtaining and sharing information and ideas from county and district advisory boards. The Executive Board works with local residents, businesses, not for profit and governmental organizations to find solutions to solid waste issues. Timothy W. Smith serves as Chair of the Executive Board. District “O” staff works directly with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources in the administration of various grant opportunities. Grant monies are generated through the tipping fees associated with landfill and transfer station disposal for waste. In 2015, the District name was changed to Ozarks Headwaters Recycling & Materials Management District to better reflect the organization’s mission.

Greene County - County Commission

Branch..... County Commission
Department.....Resource Management Department
Contact Kevin R. Barnes, PE
Position..... Director
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City..... Springfield, MO 65802
Telephone (417) 868-4007
Fax number (417) 868-4175
Mission areas Land use planning, water quality,
building code enforcement, zoning
Programs available Advisory, regulatory, training

Description:

The Greene County *Resource Management Department*, which operates under the direct authority of Greene County Commission, includes the Planning and Zoning Section, Building Regulations Section and the Environmental Section. Additionally, Resource Management is responsible for Building Operations and Maintenance for the County Campus.

The Planning and Zoning Section directed by Kent Morris administers land use and subdivision activities in the unincorporated areas of Greene County. This office also deals with growth and development issues and compliance with zoning regulations. The Greene County Geographic Information System maintains the official county zoning map in cooperation with Planning and Zoning.

Environmental Section supervised by Kevin Barnes administers the County’s stormwater, sinkhole, erosion and sediment control, floodplain and on-site wastewater system regulations. They review proposed development plans and plats for compliance with environmental regulations, perform field inspections and provide information to developers, consultants and the general public regarding environmental issues. The formation of sewer districts within the County is also administered by this office.

Building Regulations under Chief Official Dave O’Dell reviews building and site development plans (commercial, residential, and agricultural structures), issues required permits and performs inspections to insure compliance with and administering adopted building and electrical codes. Responsibilities also include public health, safety and general welfare, as well as interacting with builders in an effort to address issues that pertain to our local community.

Staff of the Building Operations Section supervised by David Dunn provides maintenance and custodial services for the buildings on the Greene County campus including the 100 year old historic courthouse and three 24 hour facilities (Justice Center, Juvenile, and the Public Safety Center) as well as many different operational aspects for the County Campus, including installation of equipment, maintenance, and repairs for buildings and equipment, various construction projects, basic modifications to buildings as required, as well as maintaining grounds for campus properties.

Greene County - Local Emergency Planning Committee

<u>Department</u>	Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
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<u>Position</u>	Coordinator
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<u>Website</u>	www.greencountymo.org
<u>Mission areas</u>	Hazardous material emergency preparedness
<u>Programs available</u>	Advisory, regulatory, public education

Description:

The *LEPC* is the execution arm at the local community level for the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) of 1986. The committee is comprised of representatives from organizations and agencies specified by EPCRA. Its primary responsibility is community hazardous material emergency preparedness. It accomplishes that responsibility by collecting hazardous material information from facilities required to file under EPCRA, develops community emergency response plans to respond to these facilities, and provides hazardous materials training classes to community and business emergency response responders. The LEPC databases hazardous material information it receives and provides that data to emergency response organizations. Plans and facility information are made accessible to the public during business hours. The *LEPC* can take civil action against facilities that fail to comply. Membership in the LEPC is open to the public.

Greene County Soil and Water Conservation District

Contact..... Eric Morris
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Telephone (417) 831-5246
Fax number..... (855) 864-2011
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Mission areas..... Land use, water quality, animal waste
Programs available..... Advisory, public education, state cost share assistance to install agricultural conservation practices

Description:

The Greene County *Soil and Water Conservation District* assists area landowners with the development and implementation of various conservation practices and programs in the county. The district encourages and promotes no-till forage and pasture management, as well as animal waste management. The *SWCD* places high emphasis on education programs for landowners as well as students in the county. Technical advice is provided on many areas including erosion problems, pond sites and construction, and abandoned well sealing. The *SWCD* pays part of the costs necessary for landowners to complete various conservation practices. This cost-share assistance is available for qualifying farmlands. The *SWCD* also has equipment available for rent.

The Greene County *SWCD* works in cooperation with the Natural Resources Conservation Service, formerly the Soil Conservation Service.

Springfield/Greene County Environmental Advisory Board

Department Dept. of Environmental Services

Contact Barbara Lucks

Position Sustainability Officer

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290 E. Central St.

City Springfield, MO 65802

Telephone (417) 864-2005

Fax number (417) 864-1906

Mission areas Natural and Built Environment

Programs available Advisory

Description:

The *Springfield-Greene County EAB* advises the Springfield City Council, Greene County Commission and their respective departments, boards, and agencies concerning existing and proposed operations and practices that may substantially affect the environment. The *EAB* recommends programs, activities, and legislation that will improve or protect the environment. The Board receives inquiries, complaints and suggestions with respect to the operations and facilities of the city and county and their effect upon the environment.

Springfield/Greene County Health Department

Contact..... Kevin Gipson
Position Director of Health
Address..... 227 E. Chestnut Expressway
City..... Springfield, MO 65802
Telephone (417) 864-1655
Website www.health.springfieldmo.gov
Mission areas..... Well water testing, stream testing,
lab analysis, health education

Programs available..... Advisory, regulatory, planning
curriculum, public education

Description:

The *Springfield/Greene County Health Department* is made up of five divisions: Maternal, Child, and Family Health; Environmental Health; Community Health and Epidemiology; Chronic Disease Prevention; and Administration. All programs within those divisions are directed toward the vision of “Helping people live longer, healthier, happier lives.”

Services provided in the Division of Environmental Health include:

- Pollen counts
- Environmental Lead Testing and case monitoring
- Health Education
- Recreational Water Facilities Inspection
- Private Water Well
- Environmental Laboratory Analysis
- Food Service Inspection
- Animal Control
- Investigation of mosquito complaints
- Inspection of milk producers in 14 counties
- Public Messaging and Communication

City of Springfield – Air Quality Section

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<u>Mission areas</u>	Air quality
<u>Programs available</u>	Regulatory, advisory, research, education, technical assistance

Description:

The Air Quality Section of the Environmental Compliance Division of the Department of Environmental Services is the air quality authority in the city limits of Springfield. The program provides many services to help reduce air pollution and protect public Health. The services include:

- Regulatory compliance
- Air emission permitting
- Technical assistance
- Pollution prevention services
- Air Quality Index (AQI) forecasting

City of Springfield – Clean Water Services Division

Branch..... Clean Water Services Division
Department..... Environmental Services
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Mission areas Water quality
Programs available Public education, regulatory
Website..... www.springfieldmo.gov/cleanwater/

Description:

FOG (Fats, Oils and Grease) Program - The City of Springfield has implemented a Fat, Oils, and Grease (FOG) Management plan. This program will apply to Food Service Establishments that discharge wastewater to the City of Springfield (City) wastewater collection system, and will involve permitting and inspecting these facilities. The purpose of this program is to provide the implementation of a fat, oil, and grease (FOG) management program providing protection for the City wastewater collection and treatment systems, equipment, and staff. The objective of the FOG management program includes, but is not limited to:

- The minimization of the introduction of and/or removal of FOG and other soluble material associated with food preparation discharged to the City wastewater collection system.
- Provide effective means of interception and removal of FOG and associated soluble material through proven effective FOG interceptors and Grease Recovery Units. The program shall apply only to commercial food preparation establishments connected to the City wastewater collection system.

The program shall also apply to any commercial facility where the City of Springfield wastewater collection system is available and reasonably accessible, whether connected to the wastewater collection system or not.

Infiltration and Inflow (I/I) Program – The City of Springfield's Infiltration and Inflow (I/I) Program works to maintain and improve the efficiency of the City's sanitary sewer collection system and treatment plants and to prevent sewer overflow and backups. What is Infiltration/Inflow (I/I)? - Infiltration occurs when groundwater enters the sewer system through cracks, holes, faulty connections, or other openings. Inflow occurs when surface water such as storm water enters the sewer

system through roof downspout connections, holes in manhole covers, illegal plumbing connections, or other defects. The sanitary sewer collection system and treatment plants have a maximum flow capacity of wastewater that can be handled. I/I, which is essentially clean water, takes up this capacity and can result in sewer overflows into streets and waterways, sewer backups in homes, and unnecessary costs for treatment of this water. It can even lead to unnecessary expansion of the treatment plants to handle the extra capacity. These costs get passed on to the consumer.

Industrial Pretreatment Program - The *Industrial Pretreatment Program*, within the Clean Water Services Division of the City of Springfield Department of Environmental Services, is responsible for the enforcement of Chapter 120 of the Springfield City Code known as the “Wastewater Regulation.” The provisions of this Chapter apply to the discharge of all wastewater into the Publicly Owned Treatment Works (POTW) by providing for the use of POTW, regulations of sanitary sewer construction, control of the quantity and quality of wastewater discharged, industrial wastewater pretreatment, alternate treatment facilities, equitable distribution of costs, assurance that existing capacity will not be exceeded, approval of sewer construction plans, issuance of Wastewater Contribution Permits, minimum sewer connection standards, conditions, penalties, and enforcement provisions for violations of Chapter 120.

Inquiries regarding the use of the POTW, wastewater discharge and pretreatment, Wastewater Contribution Permits, and enforcement of Wastewater Regulations should be directed to John Waitman at the above address. Questions relating to sanitary sewer construction, connection standards, charges, and conditions should be directed to Bill Knuckles at (417) 864-1931. For educational tours of the wastewater treatment facilities and environmental laboratory, contact Laurie Duncan at (417) 864-2007.

City of Springfield – Solid Waste Management Division

<u>Branch</u>	Solid Waste Management Division
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<u>Website</u>	www.springfieldmo.gov/recycling
<u>Fax number</u>	(417) 864-1906

Mission areasThe Mission of the City of Springfield’s Solid Waste Management Division is to provide an Integrated Solid Waste Management System for Springfield and Greene County that is environmentally sound and economically feasible which represents a long-term solution to preserve the natural resources of the region for present and future generations.

Programs available Advisory, regulatory, curriculum, public education, research, training, volunteers, business assistance

Description:

The City of Springfield’s *Solid Waste Management Division* is responsible for the implementation of the voter approved Integrated Solid Waste Management System. Curbside recycling is provided by private haulers. The following components are provided by the City, funded primarily by the tipping fees paid at the Springfield Sanitary Landfill:

- The *Household Chemical Collection Center* serves non-commercial Springfield residents and reuses or recycles over 80% of the materials it receives. It also facilitates disposal assistance for CESQG businesses. 864-2000 for more information.
- The *Yardwaste Recycling Center* provides one-stop shopping by accepting yardwaste including brush and limbs and offering high-quality compost and landscaping mulch.
- The *Recycling Centers* are collection centers that accept a variety of recyclables such as mixed paper, glass, plastic bottles, milk jugs, aluminum cans, etc. Locations, hours, etc. are available on the web or Recycling Hotline.
- *Market Development* is undertaken to increase the availability of a dependable source of recycled materials and to encourage the use of these items in manufacturing. Business assistance for waste reduction is also available. (See also Dept. of Environmental Services Sustainability Division)
- *Public Education* involves working with the community to increase awareness of the value and technology of sound solid waste management practices. (See also Dept. of Environmental Services Sustainability Division)
- *Springfield Sanitary Landfill* provides accessible, affordable and environmentally responsible solid waste disposal. Tipping fees generated by the landfill fund the ISWMS.

City of Springfield – Stormwater Quality Division

Branch.....Stormwater Quality Division

Department.....Environmental Services

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Mission areas.....Stormwater/water quality

Programs available.....Advisory, regulatory, public
education

Website.....www.springfieldmo.gov/stormwater

Description:

The Department of Environmental Services Stormwater Quality Division coordinates and implements a variety of programs and activities to protect water quality and comply with the City's federally mandated Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit, including:

- Water quality monitoring of urban streams and storm water runoff
- Investigating pollution (To report pollution, call 417-864-1011)
- Permitting and inspecting construction sites for erosion and sediment control
- Working with industries and businesses on stormwater pollution prevention
- Promoting and constructing green infrastructure projects such as rain gardens, rainwater harvesting, and pervious pavement to manage stormwater in a way that uses and mimics nature
- Educating and involving the public on stormwater pollution prevention and water quality protection, through public speaking, event displays and special projects
- Adopt-A-Stream volunteer program for stream cleanups
- Working together with community partners on initiatives to protect water quality

City of Springfield – Stormwater Engineering Division

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<u>Department</u>	Public Works
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<u>Mission areas</u>	Stormwater management
<u>Programs available</u>	Advisory, regulatory, public education
<u>Website</u>	www.springfieldmo.gov/stormwater

Description:

The Stormwater Engineering Division is committed to the development of stormwater solutions to meet the needs of the community and to protect our streams and lakes. The Division provides a variety of services including reviewing stormwater plans for developments and designing and constructing stormwater improvement projects to reduce flood hazards and improve water quality.

City of Springfield – Sustainability Division

<u>Branch</u>	Sustainability Division
<u>Department</u>	Dept. of Environmental Services
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<u>Recycling Hotline</u>	(417) 864-1904
<u>Website</u>	www.springfieldmo.gov/recycling
<u>Fax number</u>	(417) 864-1906
<u>Mission areas</u>	To support and encourage sustainable practices in Springfield and Greene County.
<u>Programs available</u>	Public education for all ages, training, technical assistance

Description:

The City of Springfield’s Department of Environmental Services Sustainability Division’s Education Outreach Section includes: coordination and delivery of educational activities for the Department of Environmental Services facilities listed in this book. Resources include: brochures, Recycling Hotline, website, activity guides, trade-show type displays, check-out kits, DVD’s and more. Programs include: Show-Me Yards & Neighborhoods (Environmentally Responsible Lawn Care), vermicomposting (classroom food waste complete with living worms), interactive activities for special events (ex: Recycling Relay Race, Recycling Bean Bag Toss Game, etc.), and special event recycling. Focus areas include: Air Quality, Water Quality, Water Conservation, Stormwater Management, Solid Waste Management/Recycling, Waste Water Management, and Sustainability. The Market Development Section offers technical assistance to businesses/industries and supports the Ozarks GreenScore Program, Ozarks Clean Air Alliance and other similar efforts.

City Utilities of Springfield

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<u>Website</u>	www.cityutilies.net
<u>Mission Area(s)</u>	Energy services, drinking water, public transportation, telecommunications
<u>Programs available</u>	Plant tours and other educational outreach programs. Speakers bureau on a variety of energy, environmental, and water quality topics. Speakers bureau contact is Chris Vallely, 831-8433.

Description:

City Utilities of Springfield is a municipally owned utility providing electric, natural gas, drinking water, transit and broadband services to the Springfield metropolitan area. Electricity is generated at the James River Power Station and John Twitty Energy Center via coal and gas-fired steam electric generating units and gas and oil-fired combustion turbines. Plant tours include a discussion of environmental regulations affecting plant operations, as well as the technology used to control and continuously monitor air emissions.

CU's Fulbright and Blackman Water Treatment Plants are the largest drinking water works in the region. Plant tours explain the entire treatment process from source water protection to safe drinking water production.

CU also provides educational programs through local schools and civic groups. Curriculum offerings include resource conservation, especially with respect to water and energy.

City of Republic – Wastewater Treatment Plant

Department Wastewater Treatment Plant

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Mission areas Waste, water quality

Programs available Regulator

Description:

The primary objective of the *wastewater treatment plant* is to protect the environment and improve the downstream water quality. Raw domestic sewage is treated to remove organic solids (dissolved and suspended) and some inorganic solids. The *treatment plant* accelerates natural processes using bacteria to break down the waste in order to produce clean water.

Dickerson Park Zoo

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<u>Mission areas</u>	Wildlife conservation, zoological park
<u>Programs available</u>	Public education programs, research, volunteers

Description:

Dickerson Park Zoo is home to hundreds of animals in naturalistic settings. Guests enjoy exhibits featuring animals of the African Plains, South America, Australia and native species in Missouri Habitats. *Dickerson Park Zoo* is dedicated to enhancing quality of life by providing meaningful recreational experiences, educating the public, conserving animals and plants and conducting scientific studies that add to the knowledge of the natural world. Education programs include community outreach programs, classes at the zoo for children and adults, and up-close encounters with animals from the education collection.

Discovery Center of Springfield, Inc.

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<u>Mission areas</u>	Interactive health, science geo- culture and environmental education
<u>Programs available</u>	BodyWorks, ScienceWorks, World Wise, Distance Learning and Outreach, Environmental Pathways
<u>Website</u>	www.discoverycenter.org

Description:

The *Discovery Center of Springfield, Inc.* is an interactive, hands-on museum committed to inspiring people of all ages with a life-long love of learning and an appreciation for the world and our place in it. In addition to promoting respect for the environment, the *Discovery Center* interweaves many forms of science, health, technology, history, art and culture. The museum includes permanent and traveling exhibits, hands-on activities, innovative group programs, summer workshops, video conferencing, web-based activities and curriculum, and special events including the regional hosting of Earth Day festivities. The *Discovery Center* serves as a resource for teachers and parents who wish to utilize the *Center's* broad array of educational programs. Through outreach and after school programming the *Discovery Center* also works closely with social service agencies and Title I schools to provide special programs for the region's at risk children.

Greater Ozarks Audubon Society

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Mission areas..... Conservation education, habitat preservation and restoration
Programs available..... Public education and outreach (Power Point presentations), field trips/nature walks, Green Leadership Academy on Diverse Ecosystems (GLADE), Audubon Adventures

Description:

Local members belong to the National Audubon Society, a group of over 600,000 people who are conservation minded and concerned with quality of life. Many are wildlife watchers, especially birds. Awareness of the interdependence of all living things is raised through the study of birds. The Audubon Society fosters this study and is committed to community service and environmental education for the conservation of wildlife and natural resources.

Power Point programs are offered throughout the year on a variety of topics including bird identification, bird feeding, landscaping for wildlife, installing rain gardens, wildflower identification, butterfly identification, birding in foreign countries, and many other topics. A Speaker's Brochure describing programs is available upon request.

The *Greater Ozarks Audubon Society (GOAS)* oversees the following conservation programs: South Creek habitat restoration project, four Bluebird trails, Adopt-A-Street cleanups, and cleanup and habitat restoration at public spaces such as Lake Springfield and Valley Water Mill.

GOAS also provides Audubon Adventures, an award winning environmental education program produced by the National Audubon Society, to over 30 elementary classrooms in Springfield and surrounding areas.

GOAS in partnership with MSU, CFO and many other local organizations, conducts a week-long, residential conservation leadership academy for high school juniors and seniors at the MSU Bull Shoals Field Station (GLADE). For more information contact Director Greg Swick, 417-581-2757.

James River Basin Partnership

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Mission areas James River Basin
Programs available Harvesting Rebate program,
Membership Events, River Clean-ups,
Septic Tank Pump-out program

Description

James River Basin Partnership is a citizen-based organization working on water quality issues in the James River and Upper White River Basins. The JRBP vision is, “Clean water for you, your children, and your grandchildren.” The organization’s mission is, “Working to protect and improve the water quality in our springs, streams, rivers, and lakes.” Goals to meet the mission:

1. Implement water quality evaluation protocol
2. Implement programs to positively impact water quality
3. Increase citizen participation in water quality issues
4. Develop sustainable funding sources

Currently areas of focus include: Grant funded water quality monitoring, public outreach and education, encourage Low Impact Development and stormwater reduction techniques, conduct Watershed Management Planning, promote proper septic system care, hold river clean-ups and county-wide Watershed Festivals. JRBP has an active social media outreach program and website as well as a new Membership Program with fun and informative activities.

Ozark Greenways, Inc.

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<u>Website</u>	www.ozarkgreenways.org
<u>Mission areas</u>	Preservation of the Ozarks natural heritage through the creation of greenway trails.
<u>Programs available</u>	Membership and volunteer opportunities, committee service, special events, monthly work-day, trail watch

Description:

Ozark Greenways, Inc. is a membership based citizen's group in the Springfield area that works to conserve natural resources and expand opportunities to enjoy them through the creation of greenway trails. The group works closely with the City of Springfield, Greene County and other governmental and private entities to make greenways a reality. Planning, fund-raising, right-of-way acquisition, trail design and management are all activities of *Ozark Greenways, Inc.* The South Creek/Wilson's Creek Greenway, Galloway Creek Greenway and the Frisco Highline Rail-To-Trail are three of the *Ozark Greenways, Inc.* projects.

Through *Ozark Greenways, Inc.*, individuals/groups have the opportunity to:

- Become a member
- Volunteer on the trails
- Serve on a committee
- Help with special events
- Join the Trail Watch
- Become a Tree Keeper

Sierra Club White River Group

Branch White River Group

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Mission areas Conservation, energy, local food environment

Programs available Public education, volunteers, outdoor activities

Description:

It is the mission of the Sierra Club to explore, enjoy and protect the wild places of the earth, to practice and promote the responsible use of the earth's ecosystems and resources and to educate, motivate and empower people to protect and restore the quality of the natural and human environment. The White River Group presents occasional programs at various Springfield venues announced ahead of each event, usually with notice via email to members as well as PSA's on local radio stations and newspapers. The group also plans to provide occasional opportunities for outdoor activities in the near future. For more information, visit the White River Group website at <http://www.sierraclub.org/missouri/white-river>

Watershed Committee of the Ozarks

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Mission areas Land use, water quality,
drinking water

Programs available Advisory, public education,
research, volunteers

Description:

Watershed Committee of the Ozarks is a not-for-profit 501(c)3 whose mission is to sustain and improve the water resources of Springfield and Greene County through education and effective management of the region's watersheds.

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