



COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Name: WEST MEADOWS SITE 4

Address: 309 North Main Site 4, Springfield MO 65802

Project: EPA BROWNFIELDS ARRA CLEANUP GRANT 2B-97707901 to fund remediation of hazardous substances on this vacant former rail yard and brownfields site to prepare it for redevelopment as public open space with stormwater management elements, restoration of the Jordan Creek, greenway trails, and native vegetation including a wetland.

Goals of the Community Involvement Plan: To improve understanding and participation in the cleanup and redevelopment process and increase awareness of site availability/redevelopment status. Also to meet the EPA guidelines and City of Springfield approved Grant Workplan tasks.

Community Involvement Plan Activities

The following activities will be carried out through a partnership between the City of Springfield and community stakeholders.

- 1. Public Meeting:** A presentation on this project including the ABCA will be given during an open public meeting of the Jordan Valley Advisory Committee (JVAC) on **December 10th at 3:30 – 6:00 pm in the Butler Rosenbury and Partners 3rd Floor Community Room** by the Brownfields Coordinator, Stormwater Engineer and Terracon Consultants. This meeting will be posted with the City Clerk's office one week prior to the presentation. All members of the public are welcome and invited to attend. Special invitations will be sent to the West Central Neighborhood Organization, the Urban Districts Alliance Director, Urban Neighborhoods Alliance, and Brownfields Stakeholder Group will ensure that key community leaders are aware of progress.
- 2. Jordan Valley Advisory Committee:** The Brownfields Coordinator is the staff liaison for JVAC and will communicate progress on cleanup planning and solicit input from this group during regular monthly meetings. The JVAC committee has 19 members all with good attendance and representative of a broad range of interest in the community including three higher education institutions, the Urban Districts Alliance, Urban Neighborhoods Alliance, Park Board, Convention and Visitors Bureau, and other civic leaders who can disseminate information to their constituents.
- 3. Signage:** An informational sign will be posted where it is prominently visible to the public that reads "Future Jordan Valley West Meadows, EPA Funded Environmental Cleanup In Progress, for more information contact the Planning Department at (417) 864-1092 or visit our website at www.springfieldmo.gov/brownfields . All required ARRA Signage will also be posted per the regulations.

4. **ABCA Public Comment:** The ABCA will be posted on the brownfields website on the Community Outreach page for no less than 30 days. The public may provide comments via email or by calling the brownfields coordinator. Contact information will be prominently displayed. The ABCA will also be available for the public to review in the Administrative Record on file in the City Planning Department.
5. **Project Information on Brownfields Website :** Information about this project will be posted on the brownfields website located at www.springfieldmo.gov/brownfields. All information related to this cleanup will be posted under a new section called “Current Projects” and will include the ABCA, Remediation Plan, Property Photos, and this Community Involvement Plan.