Our Missouri Waters – Lower Meramec River Meeting
Powder Valley Nature Center
October 7, 2015 2:30 pm – 4:30 pm
11715 Cragwold Road, Kirkwood, MO 63122

Agenda

1. Welcome and Introductions
   Aaron Young from East-West Gateway Council of Governments will welcome the group and introduce the afternoon’s agenda.
   Aaron Young aaron.young@ewgateway.org

2. Our Missouri Waters Overview
   Tracy Haag will give an overview of MDNR’s Our Missouri Waters and what they hope to achieve for the Meramec River and across the state.
   Tracy Haag tracy.haag@dnr.mo.gov

3. Summary of Meramec River Interviews
   During the summer of this year, employees of East-West Gateway have been interviewing city/county employees, business owners, and land owners along the entire length of the Meramec River. Aaron Young will summarize the interviews conducted in the Lower Meramec watershed.

4. Federal Initiatives
   Matt Cosby, Urban Waters Partnership Ambassador, will give an overview of the federal initiatives occurring in and bringing resources to the Meramec watershed. These include the Federal Urban Waters Partnership, USACE’s Ecosystem Restoration and Feasibility Study, EPA’s Lead Remediation, and the Natural Resource Damage Assistance Fund.
   Matt Cosby Matthew.G.Cosby@usace.army.mil

5. Meramec River Conservation Action Plan
   Steve Herrington from The Nature Conservancy will present TNC’s Meramec River Conservation Action Plan and discuss how it can be a resource to organizations working in the watershed.
   Steve Herrington sherrington@tnc.org

6. Stormwater Management
   Roland Biehl from MSD will discuss stormwater management best practices and how those practices impact the biodiversity of the river.
   Roland Biehl rbiehl@stlmsd.com

7. Recreation Panel and Discussion
   Moderated by David Wilson from East-West Gateway, members of the Meramec River Recreation Association, the Meramec River Tributary Alliance, and the Meramec River Green Greenway will discuss their initiatives, their role in maintaining the quality of the river, and the future of their organizations.
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