



MILLER CREEK RESTORATION EFFORTS CONTINUE...

GOOD NEWS!

STAFF AT THE SOUTH ST. LOUIS SOIL & WATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT ARE DEVELOPING A PLAN TO HELP
REDUCE POLLUTION IN MILLER CREEK.

THE PLAN IS CALLED A TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOAD (TMDL) PLAN. TMDLS ARE PART OF THE CLEAN WATER ACT AND ARE MEANT TO FIND THE MAXIMUM AMOUNT (LOAD) OF POLLUTANTS A BODY OF WATER CAN HANDLE BEFORE THE POLLUTANT BEGINS TO DEGRADE THE WATER QUALITY BELOW STATE STANDARDS. ONCE COMPLETED, THEY PROVIDE A SCIENTIFICALLY DEFENSIBLE TOOL FOR MANAGING A WATER BODY. THEY ALSO OPEN DOORS TO VARIOUS FUNDING SOURCES. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, THIS DESIGNATED TROUT STREAM HAS BEEN GREATLY IMPACTED FROM THE EFFECTS OF INCREASING DEVELOPMENT IN ITS WATERSHED. A TMDL PLAN CAN GUIDE CITIZENS AND POLICY MAKERS IN MAKING SOUND DECISIONS REGARDING MILLER CREEK.

ONCE SWCD STAFF COMPLETE THE PLAN, IT WILL BE REVIEWED BY THE EPA. IF APPROVED, AN IMPLEMENTATION PLAN CAN BE DEVELOPED. THE IMPLEMENTATION PLAN WILL TAKE THE RESTORATION OF MILLER CREEK ONE STEP FURTHER BY SETTING FORTH THE STRATEGIES THAT WILL BE USED TO ACHIEVE OUR WATER QUALITY GOALS FOR MILLER CREEK. AS A RESIDENT OF THIS WATERSHED, WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR HELP IN MAKING SURE THAT THE PLANS WE

DEVELOP WILL INCLUDE YOUR CONCERNS AND IDEAS.

THE GOAL OF TMDLS IS BETTER WATER QUALITY.
TOGETHER WE CAN WORK TOWARDS ACHIEVING THIS GOAL.

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