

Announcements, Conference, and Grant Opportunities

October 2-4: Missouri Trail Summit Columbia. Registration is open now for the Missouri Trail Summit: Happy Trails - Building Healthy & Connected Communities. The summit will be of interest to park professionals, land managers, municipal staff and representatives, planners and trail advocates. Attendees will learn about best practices in trail development, management and use. Presented by the Missouri Park and Recreation Association. Summit agenda and registration are available at <http://www.mopark.org/TrailSummit08.htm>.

October 29 and 30: Organizing a Downtown Revitalization Program. Jefferson City. This conference sponsored by the Missouri Department of Economic Development and provided by the Missouri Main Street Connection and Neighborhood Assistance Program is designed for communities to have hands-on assistance in formatting their downtown revitalization program. Communities beginning the process of organizing a Downtown Revitalization Program should attend. Participants will gain insight to fund raising, board member recruitment, articles of incorporation, by-laws, and work plans.

Communities are encouraged to bring up to 6 individuals per community (for the same price). Registration deadline is October 15. Questions contact Phyllis VanderNaald, 417-334-3014, e-mail: momainstreet@aol.com

Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant. Federal grant funding is anticipated to be available from the Land and Water Conservation Fund Grant program administered through the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to acquire, develop, or renovate outdoor recreational facilities. Eligible applicants include cities, counties, and public school districts. Application workshops will be offered. See www.mostateparks.com/grantinfo.htm or call 573-751-5374 for details. Applications are due December 15, 2008.

FY2009 Hazard Mitigation Assistance Grants (includes Pre Disaster Mitigation, Flood Mitigation Assistance, Repetitive Flood Claim, and Severe Repetitive Loss grants). Application deadline November 21, 2008 for all programs. See SEMA website <http://sema.dps.mo.gov/mitigation>

Mid Missouri Solid Waste Management District- FY2009 Grants. The Mid Missouri Solid Waste Management District has announced the Application and Guidance Document for the FY2009 District grant cycle. Application forms are available at the District's website- www.swmd.org.

Large Grant deadlines: Preliminary- Nov. 14, 2008, Final- January 5, 2009
Small Grant deadlines: January 5, 2009, and March 27, 2009

To receive a packet in the mail or for additional information about workshops contact Cindy Jolly, District Coordinator, PO Box 6015, 701 East Broadway, 4th Floor, Columbia, MO 65205. e-mail: CRJ@GoColumbiaMo.com, phone: 573-874-7574, or visit the website.

MEDC (Missouri Economic Development Council) Fall Conference This conference will be held at Adams Pointe Conference Center / Courtyard by Marriott - Blue Springs, MO, on November 5-7, 2008. See <http://www.showme.org/registration/> for more details.

Calendar

October 14-Area F Homeland Security Oversight Committee. 1:30pm. Meeting to be held at Cole County Fire Station #4. 5206 Monticello Road, Jefferson City. Contact the MidMO RPC at 573.657.9779 for additional information.

October 14-Economic Development Advisory Committee. 09:00 am. Meeting will be held at the Columbia Regional Airport. For additional information contact Colleen Vollman, MidMO RPC at 573.657.9779, see www.mmrpc.org or email colleenvollman@mmrpc.org.

October 22-MidMO RPC Board of Directors Meeting. 5:00pm. MidMO RPC Office in Ashland. For details contact MidMO RPC staff at 573.657.9779 or leeannjestis@mmrpc.org.



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Connecting the Cities and Counties of the Mid-Missouri Region

Mid-Missouri Regional Planning Commission

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Mid-Mo Staff Assists on New CDBG Projects

Staff at the Mid-Mo RPC continues to be very busy in assisting member communities and counties with seeking funds through the State of Missouri Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. This program offers grants to communities (cities under 50,000) to improve local facilities, address critical health and safety concerns, and develop a greater capacity for growth. Projects include street improvements, water and sewer

systems upgrades, industrial park infrastructure improvements, and downtown revitalization. At present staff is assisting the cities of Holts Summit and Centertown with community surveys to determine eligibility for CDBG funds, prior to preparing the applications for grant funding requests. Both projects are for sewer system upgrades. In addition, staff is working with Callaway County

officials to address street improvement needs for a county employer.

Recently completed CDBG projects include street improvements for the City of Boonville Industrial Park, housing rehabilitation for the Moniteau County Senior Housing in California and Pilot Grove Senior Housing, and improved ADA accessibility in the Cole County courthouse.



Before (left) and after (right) photos of window and other structural improvements at Moniteau County Senior Housing, made possible by funds from Community Development Block Grant (CDBG).



Area F Homeland Security Update

The Area F Regional Homeland Security Advisory Committee (RHSOC) will meet October 14, 2008, at 1:30 pm at the Cole County Fire Station #4. At this meeting, the FY2008 grant funding allocation to the area will be announced, as well as, investment justifications for project eligibility. Also at his meeting, Kimball and Associates will review the draft Interoperability Communication Study that was prepared for the Area F region.

the RHSOC. Mid-Mo activities include providing fiscal support for grant funds allocated to the 13 counties in the Area F region. These counties are Audrain, Boone, Callaway, Camden, Cole, Cooper, Gasconade, Howard, Miller, Moniteau, Montgomery, Morgan, and Osage.

centers), volunteer management, supporting the agriculture risk program, and radio purchase for public health departments in each county in the region.

This is the third year for the Mid Missouri Regional Planning Commission of facilitating activities of

Mid-Mo staff is in the process of completing FY06 activities, and in the process of procuring and signing contracts for the FY2007 projects identified by the RHSOC. Funding allocations to the region totaled \$1,198,425 in FY2006, and \$632,716 in FY2007. Highlighted projects with FY2006 funds included creating a region-wide radio cache, obtaining mass care shelter agreements and supplies, executing a region-wide training exercise, undertaking a regional interoperability communication study, and developing volunteer training and business donation programs. FY2007 projects include funds for P-25 radio compliance (911



Volunteers & businesses that assisted in distribution of mass care supplies (FY06 grant): Boy Scout Troops 120 & 134, Western Region CERT, Capital Area Chapter American Red Cross, Mike "Pee Wee" Forck, Kelly Forck, Rich Green, Mike Rackers, Bill Farr, Scheppers Distributing, Al Scheppers Motor Company, & Bill Binkley and Sons Excavating.



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National Preparedness Month

This year the focus of the fifth annual National Preparedness Month was to encourage citizens to take important preparedness steps:

- **Get a Kit:** When preparing for a possible emergency situation, it's best to think first about the basics of survival: fresh water, food, clean air and warmth.
- **Make a Plan:** Make sure you have a family emergency plan. Your family may not be together when disaster strikes, so it is important to plan in advance.

- **Be Informed:** Being informed about the different types of emergencies that could happen where you live and the appropriate ways to respond to them will impact the decisions you make and the actions you take. In addition, learn about the emergency plans that have been established in your area by your state and local government.
- **Get Involved:** After preparing yourself and your family for possible emergencies by getting a kit, making a plan and being informed, take the next step and get involved in preparing your community. Learn more about Citizen Corps, which actively

involves citizens in making our communities and our nation safer, stronger and better prepared.



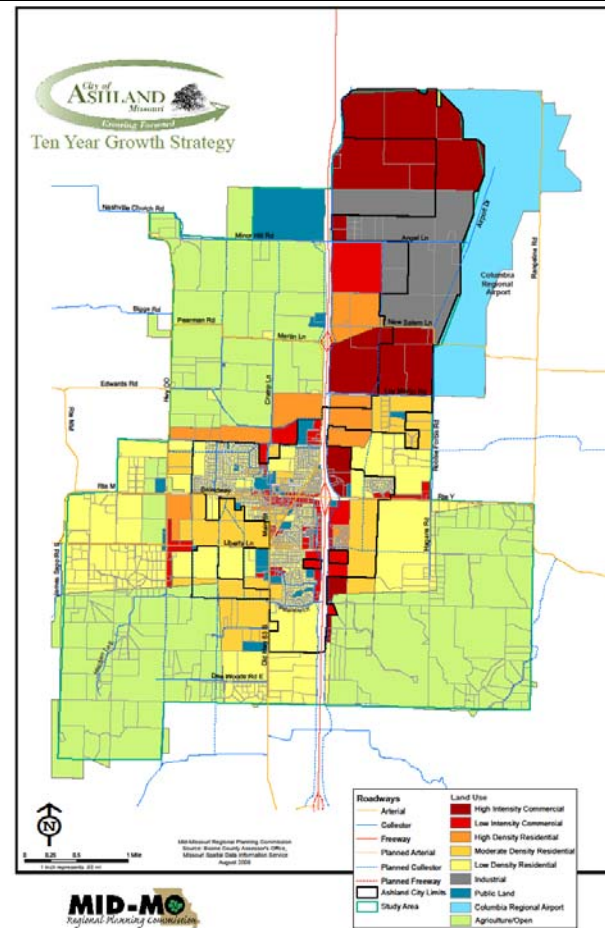
Details on each of these steps are available at www.ready.gov/america/npm08/intro.html.

Mapping Your Community

Mapping assistance is a valuable tool which can allow small towns that may not have staff capacity for mapping (or are simply overburdened) to engage in such a process. Mid-MO RPC staff provide mapping services to member cities through the use of Geographic Information Systems software. Accurate visualization of an area of interest or concern can vastly enhance one's ability to forecast and prepare for growth or change.

Recently, maps have been prepared to be used in comprehensive plans for Ashland and Centralia. These include graphic representations of zoning and land use, transportation, water and sewer, natural features and a number of other local factors. Data acquisition and creation, analysis, and cartography are all undertaken by planning commission staff. Mapping services are among the many ways that Mid-MO RPC can make life easier for members of city and county governments.

Contact Conor Henley at 573-657-9779 or conorhenley@mmrpc.org, to discuss specific needs or projects.



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MidMO RPC Annual Dinner
Wed, November 19, 6:00 pm
Southern Boone Senior Center

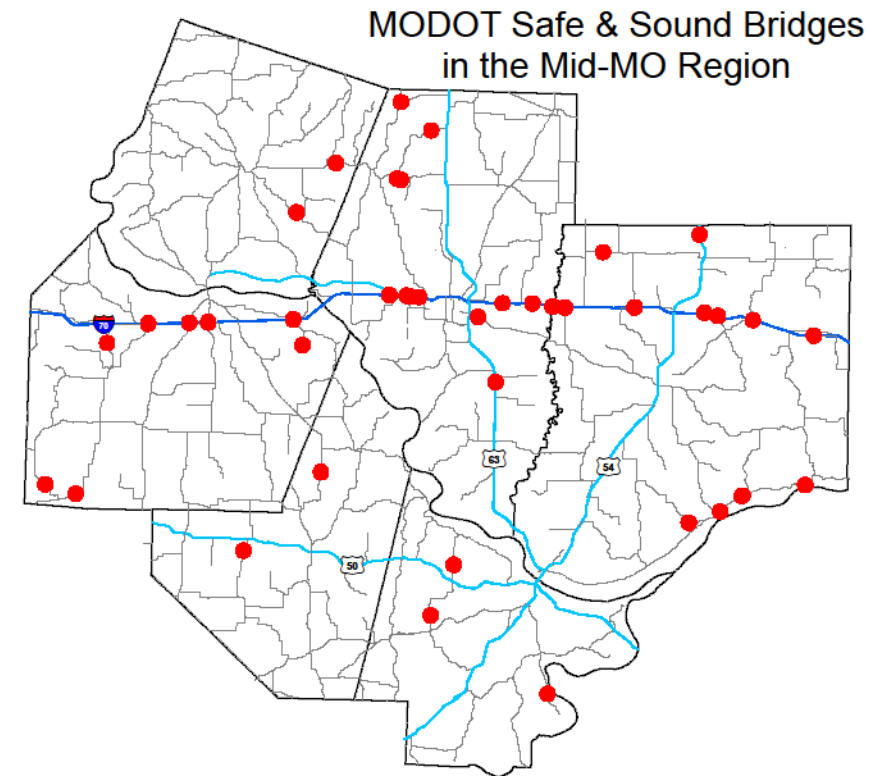
MoDOT Announces Largest Bridge Project in History

The Missouri Department of Transportation announced on September 18, 2008, that plans have been approved to improve 802 of Missouri's lowest rated bridges in the next five years.

The Safe and Sound Improvement Program will be managed by MoDOT, rather than Missouri Bridge Partners (MBP) who had been identified as the apparent best value proposal. MoDOT indicated that turmoil in the financial markets had made the MBP proposal unaffordable. MoDOT plans to issue bonds to pay for the project with annual payments of approximately \$50 million as was initially budget for the project.

In the Mid-Missouri Regional Planning Commission area, 40 bridges will be improved. MoDOT had indicated that there will be 554 bridge replacements included in a single design-build package to be advertised this fall and awarded late spring 2009. The remaining 248 bridges to be improved will be contracted using a modified design-bid-build approach, where projects are grouped by type, size or location to accelerate construction schedules. MoDOT has indicated that 100 bridge projects will be under contract by spring.

A complete list of all the bridges in the Safe and Sound Program and other information can be found at the MoDOT Web Site at www.modot.org/safeandsound/index.htm.



Thank-you to Membership

The Board of Directors of the Mid Missouri Regional Planning Commission would like to thank our member counties and cities for the prompt payment of your annual dues. Through the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2009, the Planning Commission has collected \$89,904 (99%) of the projected \$90,269 in dues for the fiscal year.

Thank you.

SAFE AND SOUND BRIDGE PROGRAM

Mid-Missouri Regional Planning Commission Area

Status	Route	Feature Intersected
HOWARD		
3-Minor	RT W E	MONITEAU CR
4-Minor	MO 124 E	MONITEAU CR
BOONE		
3-Minor	RT WW E	N FK CR
3-Minor	US 40 E	IS 70
3-Minor	SORRELS OVERPASS	IS 70
4-Minor	OR 70 E	CR
4-Minor	OR 70 E	CR
4-Major	US 63 S	TURKEY CR
4-Minor	OR 70 E	GRINDSTONE CR
3-Minor	OR 70 E	LIT CEDAR CR
3-Minor	OR 70 E	CEDAR CR
4-Minor	MO 124 E	PERCHE CR
4-Minor	RT NN S	LICK FK CR
4-Minor	RT NN S	PERCHE CR
4-Minor	RT F S	SUGAR CR
CALLAWAY		
3-Minor	RT Z S	IS 70
3-Minor	RT D S	IS 70
4-Minor	MO 94 E	AUXVASSE CR
4-Minor	RT E E	FOUR MILE BR
3-Minor	OR 70 E	MADDOX CR
4-Minor	U S HWY 54 OLD S	SMITH BR
4-Minor	MO 94 E	E WING CR
3-Minor	RT J S	IS 70
3-Minor	RT M S	IS 70
3-Minor	RT JJ S	IS 70
4-Minor	RT PP E	MIDDLE RVR
3-Minor	MO 94 E	EAGLE CR
COLE		
4-Minor	RT T S	GRAYS CR
4-Minor	RT W S	SPRING CR
4-Minor	RT D S	LOGAN CR
COOPER		
3-Minor	MO 179 S	IS 70
3-Minor	RT B S	IS 70
4-Major	MO 5 S	IS 70
4-Minor	RT A S	LAMINE RVR OVRFL
3-Minor	MO 41 S	IS 70
4-Minor	RT BB S	HARLAN BR
4-Minor	RT M S	CHOUTEAU CR
4-Minor	RT V S	PETITE SALINE CR
MONITEAU		
4-Minor	RT D S	MONITEAU CR
4-Minor	RT E S	DRY FK