

## Forests + Public Lands Goals



Mobilize citizens for the Ozark National Scenic Riverways  
Protect the quality and character of Missouri's public lands  
Preserve urban green spaces and promote livable communities

### 2010 Forests + Scenic Rivers + Public Lands Highlights

- Participated in the National Park Service Ozark National Scenic Riverways General Management Plan Stakeholder Process.
- Identified and documented damage in the Ozark National Scenic Riverways, causes of damage, and solutions for recovery.
- Served on the Eleven Point River Resource Advisory Council for the U.S. Forest Service to advise on projects in the watershed.
- Coordinated cooperative action among existing organizations to protect the Riverways.
- Joined efforts to secure capital improvement funds for Missouri State Parks through new state bonding authority.

### Ongoing Projects

- Mobilize participation in the Ozark National Scenic Riverways General Management Plan Process through Friends of Ozark Riverways to achieve a plan from the National Park Service that protects and preserves the health and ecological integrity of the Current and Jacks Fork Rivers.
- Identify opportunities to improve horse trails to retain trail rides in the Riverways while protecting water quality and preventing erosion.
- Promote sustainable forest management on public and private lands.

# Missouri Coalition for the Environment Biomass? Coal?

Clarifying "Clean" in the Energy Debate

## Annual Meeting 2011

April 10, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.  
Schlafly Brewery Elliot Room  
2100 Locust Street, Saint Louis

### Program

<b>Welcome</b> Introduction of the Board	David Lobbig, Board President
<b>Board Elections</b> Members Only	Ralph Wafer, Vice President
<b>Introduction of MCE</b> Director 2010 Program Highlights	Kathleen Logan Smith, Executive MCE Staff

### Clarifying Clean: A Panel Discussion

Introductory Remarks	Kathleen Logan Smith
Introduction of Panelists	Bob Klepper

**William Sammons**, M.D., Pediatrician

**Hank Dorst**, Mark Twain Forest Watchers, Eastern Ozarks Forestry Council

**Tom Kruzen**, Co-Owner of Pan's Garden Native Plant Nursery in Mountain View, Missouri, Sierra Club Water Sentinel Volunteer

<b>Message From the Board</b>	Martin Arthur
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**Special Recognition**

<b>Closing Remarks</b>	David Lobbig, Board President
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# The Missouri Coalition for the Environment

**OUR MISSION:** The Missouri Coalition for the Environment works to protect and restore the environment through education, public engagement, and legal action.

## A Strong Foundation

The Coalition was founded in 1969 by a group of influential activists that included environmental pioneer Leo Drey, attorneys Lewis Green and Walston Chubb, renowned biologist Barry Commoner, and city planner Al Kahn. The founders recognized the need for a state-wide organization that would address a broad array of environmental issues.

Early on, the Coalition was instrumental in the passage of critical environmental laws, in protecting Missouri's public lands, and empowering citizens to take action on the most pressing environmental threats.

## With Continued Commitment

The Coalition remains a strong force in the defense of Missouri's natural resources. With a full-time staff, supportive members, a committed board, and hard-working volunteers, we work to protect Missouri's air, land, and water and to promote clean, renewable energy.

**With your support, the Coalition** strengthens environmental protections, holds government and corporations accountable, defends the



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## BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2010

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## Ongoing Projects



- Restoring the Renewable Energy Law after the Missouri General Assembly weakened the 2008 Prop C - Renewable Electricity Standard (RES) in January 2011. The legislators altered the law to allow renewable energy credits purchased anywhere in the world to count towards Missouri's requirement for 15% renewable energy by 2021. The action undermined the intent of the renewable energy standard: keeping financial and environmental benefits of clean energy development close to home. This spring Renew Missouri is working tirelessly to educate lawmakers about the impacts of restoring renewable energy standard.
- Monitoring utilities' progress on efficiency investment through annual compliance plans in order to ensure Missouri's new energy efficiency law achieves the goal of reducing load growth by 2% annually by the year 2020, which will reduce carbon dioxide emissions by 5 million tons per year.
- Educating Missourians on the risks and costs associated with variations on Construction Work in Progress (CWIP) charges, which would allow investor-owned utilities to raise electric rates now for development of coal and nuclear power plants before those plants are operating.

## Coalition Staff

Kathleen Logan Smith, *Executive Director*

Administration Laura Illy, *Office Administrator*

Clean Water Lorin Crandall, *Clean Water Coordinator*

Thomas Bennett, *Wetland and Floodplain Coordinator*

Stephanie Mafla-Mills,  
*Americorps Clean Water Volunteer*

Clean Energy Erin Noble, *Co-Director of Renew Missouri*

Columbia Office PJ Wilson, *Co-Director of Renew Missouri*

Josh Jones, *Clean Energy Coordinator*

Carla Klein, *Clean Energy Organizer*

Membership Dresden Farrand, *Membership & Outreach Coordinator*

Brian Desmet, *Outreach Coordinator*

CWIP Ed Smith, *No-CWIP Coordinator*

## Clean Energy Goals

- Expand clean, renewable energy in Missouri
- Advance energy efficiency initiatives
- Speed transition from coal to renewable energy
- Promote policies that reduce harmful air pollution



### 2010 Clean Energy Highlights

- Promoted energy policies which reduce Missouri's dependence on coal and nuclear power and that foster development of clean, renewable energy.
- Educated Missourians about renewable energy, energy efficiency, and conservation.
- Coordinated allied stakeholders and participated in the rulemaking to implement Missouri's landmark 2008 energy efficiency law to make utility investment in energy efficiency a reality.
- Advanced energy efficiency and renewable energy by training key stakeholders and the public on PACE – Property Assessed Clean Energy policy.
- Educated the public and promoted clean energy at the Green Homes Festival in St. Louis, MO and the Advancing Renewables in the Midwest Conference in Columbia, MO, two of the premier energy educational events in the state.
- Participated in the Public Service Commission's Integrated Resource Planning (IRP) rule rewrite for Missouri regulated utilities.
- Helped grow the Missouri Solar Energy Industries Association (MOSEIA) from 7 to 22 solar company members in its first full year of operation.
- Authorized a legal challenge to defend Prop C, the voter-passed Clean Energy Initiative. Renew Missouri engaged Great Rivers Environmental Law Center (GREL) to represent MCE and file a legal challenge against Empire Electric for its pre-emptive effort to evade the solar rebate provisions of Prop C.
- Informed Prop C supporters when a Missouri state representative attempted to include nuclear energy under the definition of "renewable" for the purposes of Prop C's renewable electricity standard which requires investor-owned utilities to obtain 15% of their power from renewables by 2021.

## Make a Difference

Please join us to promote our programs and efforts in Missouri!

Go to [moenviron.org](http://moenviron.org) to volunteer or call (314) 727-0600

### Renewable Energy Internships (Columbia Office)

- Efficiency and Renewable Energy Outreach Internship
- Media and Communications Internship
- Legal and Legislative Research Internship

### Clean Water Internship (St. Louis)

- Clean Water Media Internship

### Special Event Volunteers Needed

Email Dresden Farrand at [dfarrand@moenviron.org](mailto:dfarrand@moenviron.org)

Statewide Food-Farm Policy Tour, April 28-May 4

Truck Farm, the Movie, May 12

Green Homes & Renewable Energy Festival, Sept. 24

42nd Anniversary Party, Fall 2011

eARTHworks Art Auction, 2012

## MCE Membership - Together with You

### 2010 Membership Events

Earth Day in Forest Park, St. Louis

Renew Missouri PACE Trainings and Renewable Energy Forums

2010 Green Homes Festival with EarthWays Center

41st Anniversary Party

Screening of "Big River" film

Monthly Keifer Creek Hikes

Conservation Lobby Day with Missouri Votes Conservation & Sierra Club, Jefferson City

MCE-Green Drinks St. Louis Tour of SPACE, llc

2010 St. Louis Votes Green Candidate Forum

2010 Loufest at Forest Park

Spring Cocktail Party at Bici Bistro, Clayton

### Staff Outreach

Advancing Renewables Conference, Columbia

Healthy Planet's Natural Living Expo, Webster Groves

*MCE Staff also participate in panel discussions, forums, presentations, and classes throughout Missouri.*

**Stay informed about MCE events and activities for 2011 by signing up for e-alerts at [www.moenviron.org](http://www.moenviron.org)!**

# Finances 2010

Clean Water, Continued.



## MCE Finances: Calendar Year 2010

### Income

Individual contributions	152,169
Legacies & bequests	0
Grants	542,750
Revenue from investments	2,855
Special events	65,154
Other income	28,653
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Total Income	791,581

### Expenses

Clean Water	204,211
Clean Energy & Clean Air	346,359
Open Space & Public Lands	42,646
Lobbying	6,220
Membership	68,259
Mgmt & General	18,780
Fundraising	20,230
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Total Expenses	706,705

Total end of year net assets: \$574,946

## Clean Water Goals



Healthy streams for animals and people = "fishable, swimmable"  
Restore polluted streams, protect clean streams  
Meaningful standards to protect all Missouri waters

### 2010 Clean Water Highlights

- Coordinated the victorious campaign to Save the Confluence, a floodplain and wetland area threatened by a casino proposal that would have impacted 377 acres next to a conservation area north of St. Louis at the Confluence of the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers.
- Initiated a Watershed Restoration Plan to address bacterial contamination of Keifer Creek in Castlewood State Park.
- Developed an interactive map of Corps of Engineer wetland and stream destruction permits for the St. Louis District.

- Joined Mississippi River Collaborative comments to EPA and USDA calling for a targeted Mississippi River Basin Initiative to impact the Gulf Dead Zone, and supporting efforts to strengthen ammonia water quality standards for wastewater treatment facilities.
- Partnered with Americorps, the Missouri Dept. of Conservation, and East West Gateway to promote and expand the impact of the Nonpoint Education for Municipal Officials program to prevent urban water pollution.
- Submitted to EPA a critique of Missouri's inadequate water quality permitting, enforcement and monitoring program with regard to sewage treatment lagoons.
- Continued mediation negotiations over the EPA's lawsuit on the St. Louis Metropolitan Sewer District's unpermitted discharges.

### Ongoing Projects

- Secure basic Clean Water Act protections for the remaining 80% Missouri waters that have been denied them through settlement of the lawsuit on Missouri's "unclassified" waters.
- Foster the development of watershed organizations on tributaries in the Meramec River Basin.
- Create a model for implementation of watershed plans.
- Defend the victory over the Army Corps of Engineers preserving the last remaining connection between the Mississippi River and its floodplain at St. John's Bayou/New Madrid.
- Participate in the development and application of criteria for nitrogen and phosphorus pollution to protect streams in Missouri.
- Educate Missourians on the potential impact of Farm Bill programs on reducing agricultural pollution in the Mississippi River basin.
- Complete a watershed analysis for Fishpot Creek stormwater reduction project in the Meramec watershed to aid in urban stream restoration efforts.