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Mr. John DeLashmit
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region VII
901 North Fifth Street
Kansas City, KS 66101

RE: Total Maximum Daily Load for Stinson Creek (WBID 710)

Dear Mr. DeLashmit:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) study for Stinson Creek near Fulton in Callaway County, Missouri. The TMDL was put on public notice from September 28, 2009 to November 11, 2009 and two public comment letters were received. Having responded to these comments, the Department of Natural Resources (Department) now submits this document as a final TMDL for review and approval by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region VII pursuant to Section 303(d)(2) of the Federal Clean Water Act.

The Stinson Creek TMDL was developed by EPA and the Department's Water Protection Program to address the organic sediment and low dissolved oxygen impairment of Stinson Creek. This impairment was identified on Missouri's 2004/2006 303(d) List of impaired waters. This impairment has been attributed to effluent being discharged into the creek by the Fulton Wastewater Treatment Plant and from nutrients and oxygen-demanding substances being carried into the creek by runoff. The TMDL will be implemented through permit action and voluntary nonpoint source best management practices.

We appreciate EPA taking prompt action on this TMDL. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. John Hoke at (573) 526-1446 or by mail at the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102.

Sincerely,

WATER PROTECTION PROGRAM



Scott B. Totten
Acting Director

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Enclosures

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