



STATE OF MISSOURI
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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Dear Local Community Stakeholders:

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (department) is inviting you to be part of our Local Government Kitchen Cabinet. We are convening this "kitchen cabinet" to bring together representatives from our cities, counties and other local governmental entities to discuss common issues and concerns. The department has convened similar groups in the past and we believe that they can serve a valuable role by offering a forum for sharing information and working together to make government function more effectively.

The first meeting of the Local Government Kitchen Cabinet will be held on Thursday, June 14, 2012 from **10:00 to 3:00**. The meeting will be held at the Lewis and Clark State Office Building in Jefferson City and we are planning a working lunch that we will provide. We will send directions to the meeting location and menu information to you soon.

I invite you to designate member(s) of your organization to participate in the Kitchen Cabinet. Please provide us a short outline of each nominee's professional experience. We will ensure that all regions and communities of all sizes are represented.

We are also asking that you provide up to three topics you would like to discuss during this meeting. Kitchen Cabinet members will be asked to discuss the most common issues faced by local governments that relate to the department, and to recommend effective and efficient approaches to those issues. Such discussions should help provide us a better understanding of the issues facing local governments and should provide you with a better understanding of the roles and responsibilities of the department. At our first meeting, we plan to develop an agenda for future discussion. Following meetings will address these issues and other subjects that the group may want to discuss.

Thank you for your consideration. Please respond by phone or email to Robert Stout, the department's Chief of Policy. His email address is Robert.stout@dnr.mo.gov and his phone number is 573-751-3195. We would appreciate your list of nominees and discussion topics by **June 8**.

Sincerely,

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES



Sara Parker Pauley
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