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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 Spring Creek (WBID 1870) - Submittal

Dear Mr. DeLashmit:

Enclosed please find a copy of the Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDL) study for Spring Creek near Salem in Dent County, Missouri. We have received and reviewed your comments on the draft TMDL document and have edited it appropriately. The TMDL was first public noticed from April 7 to May 7, 2009. It was placed on public notice a second time from May 14 to June 28, 2010 in response to comments received during the first notice and subsequent changes made to the document. Three public comments were received overall and the TMDL document has been adjusted where appropriate. Copies of all comments and responses are enclosed. We now submit 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 Spring Creek TMDL was developed by the department's Water Protection Program to address the organic sediment and low dissolved oxygen impairments of Spring Creek, as identified in Missouri's 2008 303(d) list. These impairments arise from both the Salem Wastewater Treatment Plant and unknown nonpoint sources. The TMDL will be implemented through permit action and the judicious placement of best management practices. We appreciate EPA taking prompt action on this TMDL. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. John Hoke, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program, P.O. Box 176, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102, (573) 526-1446 or [john.hoke@dnr.mo.gov](mailto:john.hoke@dnr.mo.gov).

Sincerely,

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Acting Director

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