



Springfield-Greene County Office of Emergency Management Infrastructure Report

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22 October 2009

Special Events

October 22, 2009, Convention and Visitors Bureau, (Springfield, Missouri), **Special Events**

Miss Missouri USA and Miss Missouri Teen USA

Start Date: 10/31/2009 **End Date:** 11/01/2009

Event Time: Sat 7pm; Sun 7pm

Web site: <http://www.hammonshall.com>

Contact Information: 417-836-7678

Location: Juanita K. Hammons Hall for the Performing Arts, 525 S. John Q. Hammons Pkwy, Downtown Springfield

Admission: call for details

Description: Contestants from across the state compete for the titles of 2010 MISS MISSOURI USA and MISS MISSOURI TEEN USA, with competition in swimsuit, evening gown and interviews. Saturday is the presentation. Sunday is the Coronation.

Source: http://www.springfieldmo.org/calendar_page.asp

Weather Events

October 22, 2009, National Weather Service, (Region D), **Weather Outlook**

This Afternoon: A 50 percent chance of rain or drizzle. Cloudy, with a high near 61. South wind around 10 mph.

Tonight: A chance of drizzle. Cloudy, with a low around 42. West wind between 7 and 9 mph.

Friday: A chance of drizzle. Cloudy, with a steady temperature around 44. Wind chill values as low as 36. West wind between 9 and 14 mph.

Friday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 37. West wind around 8 mph.

Saturday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 57. West wind between 6 and 9 mph.

Saturday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 43.

Sunday: A 30 percent chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 62.

Sunday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 43.

Monday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 63.

Monday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 44.

Tuesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 65.

Tuesday Night: A chance of showers and thunderstorms. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 46.

Wednesday: A chance of showers. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 60.

Source: <http://forecast.weather.gov/MapClick.php?site=sgf&map.x=145&map.y=182>

Energy Sector

No reportable events for local application...

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials, and Waste Sector

No reportable events for local application...

Banking and Finance Sector

No reportable events for local application...

Transportation Sector

October 22, 2009, News-Leader (Springfield, Missouri), School board OKs more bus cameras

Report showing low public perception of schools also noted.

The Springfield school board approved spending \$311,750 on Tuesday to purchase new video camera systems for the district's 145 school buses.

The money to purchase and install the digital recording system will come from the district's existing transportation equipment budget.

Gatekeeper Systems Inc. won the contract to install four interior cameras and a digital recording system.

Source: <http://www.news-leader.com/article/20091021/NEWS04/910210419/1007/NEWS01/School+board+OKs+more+bus+cameras>

Postal and Shipping Sector

October 22, 2009, Kansas City Star, (Kansas City, Missouri), KC woman, son accused of assaulting postal inspector

A federal grand jury indicted a Kansas City woman and her teenage son this afternoon for allegedly assaulting a U.S. postal inspector last month.

Denise Clark Sims, who turns 49 Wednesday, and Christopher Sims, 19, face up to 20 years in federal prison if convicted.

Tuesday's indictment replaces a complaint filed Sept. 25, the day after the alleged incident.

Source: http://www.kansascity.com/news/breaking_news/story/1519519.html#

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October 22, 2009, Taft Midway Driller, (Taft, California), **USPS truck driver kidnapped, robbed in Taft**

Chief of Police Ken McMinn and an unidentified law enforcement officer at the site where the mail truck in rear was left after the robbery.

Taft Police and the United States Postal Service are investigating the kidnapping and robbery of a mail truck driver in Taft early Friday evening.

Sources familiar with the case said the truck driver was accosted by an armed man who jumped into the cab of the truck at the intersection of Highway 119 and E. Kern Street shortly before 6 p.m.

The victim was forced to drive to the east end of the old West Side Hospital complex on East North Street where the truck was parked between two buildings.

The suspect fled with several bags containing cash, the sources said.

Source: <http://www.taftmidwaydriller.com/news/x536354151/Breaking-news-USPS-truck-driver-kidnapped-robbed-in-Taft>

Agriculture and Food Sector

No reportable events for local application...

Water Sector

October 22, 2009, Republic Monitor (Republic, Missouri), **City moves forward on infrastructure**

The City of Republic has taken its next step in bringing McLane Company Inc. and 400 jobs to town, approving a bid for the infrastructure needed for the property during its regular session on Oct. 12.

Source: <http://www.republicmonews.com/news/>

Dams Sector

October 22, 2009, Joplin Globe (Barton County and Lama, Missouri and Pittsburg Kansas), **Possible reservoirs reviewed for Barton County, Pittsburg**

At the request of city leaders in Lamar and Pittsburg, Kan., the Tri-State Water Resource Coalition has agreed to take a closer look at the need for water in those areas.

The coalition, which met Wednesday at Joplin City Hall, authorized a \$15,600 contract with the consulting firm of Freese and Nichols, of Fort Worth, Texas, to look for ways to provide a firm yield of 8 million gallons of water per day.

Source: http://www.joplinglobe.com/local/local_story_294225333.html

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

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Government Facilities Sector

October 22, 2009, News-Leader, (Christian County), **Assessor's office under closer scrutiny**

Christian County audit wider amid federal charges.

Ozark -- State Auditor Susan Montee's office confirmed Tuesday that it will take a closer look at the Christian County Assessor's finances as part of an ongoing audit.

Allison Bruns, spokeswoman for Montee's office, said the additional scrutiny was prompted by federal charges filed last week against Christian County Assessor Sandra Bryant-Littles for mail fraud for failing to assess her own property.

Source: <http://www.news-leader.com/article/20091021/NEWS01/910210437/1007/NEWS01/Assessor+s+office+under+closer+scrutiny>

October 22, 2009, Lebanon Daily Record, (Lebanon, Missouri), **City fights to stay afloat financially**

When Lebanon City Council members walked into city chambers on Monday night for a special work session, they were sitting a budget that has been hit hard with a reduction in revenue. The ship was listing towards \$465,249 in the hole.

Three hours and lots of discussion later, they were able to provide budget workers with some guidance to bring the budget back to an even keel.

There will be a proposed budget ready for the City Council's approval during Monday's regular council meeting, which begins at 7 p.m. at City Hall.

There has been a 13 percent reduction in revenue over the last year, thanks to the economy, which has been to blame for a loss in various sales tax revenue.

Legal fees have also hit the city hard. Rate increases will allow some utility funds to break even, but won't offset the \$800,000 that has been spent on a court case with Public Water Supply District No. 3 that seems to have no end, according to Mayor C.P. Craig. He pointed out that the city's budget has been drained an additional \$520,000-plus beyond what had been budgeted for legal fees.

Source: http://lebanondailyrecord.com/publish/article_10409.shtml

Emergency Services Sector

October 22, 2009, News-Leader (Missouri), **Ozarks counties named natural disaster areas**

Several southwest Missouri counties are among counties in natural disaster areas caused by excessive rain, strong winds and flooding from February through July, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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Cedar, Laclede, Phelps and Pulaski counties are among a group of counties termed primary natural disaster areas because of losses.

Farmers in Dade, Dallas, Dent, Barton, St. Clair, Oregon, Texas, Camden and Vernon counties also are eligible for disaster status because they live in counties adjoining primary disaster counties, according to the USDA.

Source: <http://www.news-leader.com/article/20091022/BREAKING03/91022035/1007/NEWS01/Ozarks+counties+named+natural+disaster+areas>

October 22, 2009, Lebanon Daily Record, (Lebanon, Missouri), **Chief calls criticism political**

Lebanon's chief of police has indicated that statements made by the county's prosecuting attorney regarding his department's treatment of a homicide investigation are politically motivated.

Chief Joe Brauer said in an e-mailed statement to The Daily Record Wednesday that "it is unfortunate that the Laclede County Prosecutor (Angie Hemphill Wright) has chosen to make a political issue of the recent homicide in the City of Lebanon."

Wright, in a story published Wednesday in The Daily Record, stated that she felt the Lebanon Police Department, at the instruction of Brauer, had limited information provided to her office, as well as to the Laclede County Sheriff's Office, regarding the murder of 24-year-old Zachary Porter.

Source: http://lebanondailyrecord.com/publish/article_10374.shtml

Information Technology Sector

October 22, 2009, Joplin Globe (Webb City, Missouri), **Webb City to consider ban on texting while driving**

WEBB CITY, Mo. — Webb City residents may soon have another reason to put their cell phones away while driving.

The City Council is considering an ordinance that would ban texting while driving for anyone 21 and younger. The proposed ordinance mirrors a state law that went into effect in August.

Source: http://www.joplinglobe.com/local/local_story_292002703.html

Communications Sector

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Commercial Facilities Sector

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Critical Manufacturing

October 22, 2009, Joplin Globe (Jasper County, Missouri), **Northern Jasper County land being eyed as wind farm site**

Land in northern Jasper County near a site once eyed for a landfill now is being evaluated as a possible wind farm location.

Representatives of Iberdrola Renewables met Thursday at Carthage Memorial Hall with about 200 landowners about potential property leases.

“We are looking at Jasper County and meeting with interested landowners,” said Paul Copleman, communications manager with the company. “But, it’s very early in the process.”

Source: http://www.joplinglobe.com/local/local_story_289222423.html

Local and State Monuments and Icons Sector

October 22, 2009, News-Leader, **MODNR Announce Lay Offs**

On Monday, DNR announced it was laying off 100 state parks workers due to declining sales tax revenue that the agency depends on to run campgrounds, parks and historic places. DNR officials said the layoffs were the result of declining tax revenue, not the E. coli controversy and repeated failures by the agency to close bacteria-infected beaches over the past three years.

Source: <http://www.news-leader.com/article/20091021/NEWS01/910210418/1007/NEWS01/Ex-Blunt+aide+angry+about+DNR+layoffs>

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