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Senator Rob Mayer Urges City and County Officials to Attend Regional Meeting Detailing Potential Federal Stabilization Funding for Energy and Conservation Block Grants

Southeast Missouri Applicants Urged to Attend Oct. 22 Meeting in Poplar Bluff

JEFFERSON CITY – Senator Rob Mayer, R-Dexter, is calling attention to potential funding opportunities available to Missouri communities for energy efficiency and conservation block grants funded through the Federal Recovery Act. The state recently was notified Missouri will receive approximately \$28 million in additional funding for energy efficiency for public buildings.

The Department of Natural Resources is hosting six information and planning sessions throughout the state in the next two weeks to inform city and county officials about potential funding available through the *Energize Missouri Communities* program. Funding for energy efficiency projects in public facilities has been carried out for many years through the Department of Natural Resources' *Energy Center*. Through the department's existing energy savings programs, approximately 482 projects have provided more than \$117 million in energy savings since the programs began in 1989. This is the first time in a number of years a new round of grant funding has been available to public facilities for energy efficient projects.

The upcoming informational and planning session meetings are scheduled in the following cities and locations:

Maryville (Nodaway Co.) – **Oct. 13** — Northwest Missouri State University (Board Room), 800 University Dr., Maryville, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Macon (Macon Co.) – Oct. 14 — Hotel Comfort Inn, 1821 N. Missouri, Macon, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Union (Franklin Co.) – Oct. 15 — Gala Event Center, 42 Prairie Dell Plaza, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Sedalia (Pettis Co.) – Oct. 20 — State Fair Community College, Thompson Conference Center, 3201

W. 16th St., 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. **Springfield (Greene Co.) – Oct. 21** — Executive Conference Center, 910 W. Battlefield St., 8 a.m. to

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Poplar Bluff (Butler Co.) – Oct. 22 — Holiday Inn Hotel, 2781 N. Westwood, 8 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

For more information or to make a reservation, please contact William Haas at William. Haas@dnr.mo.gov or call (573) 526-7008 or toll-free at (877) 610-0834.

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