

# Water Quality

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## Missouri Department of Natural Resources

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The Missouri Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is a state agency created in 1974. The DNR has several duties in the state:

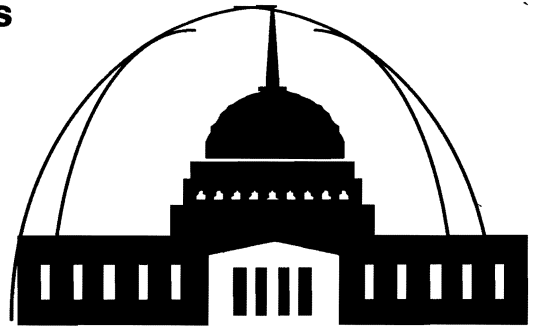
- protect the quality of the environment
- preserve the natural and cultural history
- research the land, water and mineral resources
- promote wise energy management

The DNR helps protect water quality by enforcing state and federal laws and standards. Two of the department's five divisions, the Division of Environmental Quality and the Division of Geology and Land Survey, have programs to monitor water quality and amount in streams, rivers, lakes, and ground water. Based on monitoring, DNR can take steps to make sure wastewater is properly treated and drinking water is safe.



## Contact DNR when you have questions or need information on the following:

- Soil Surveys
- Getting Environmental Permits
- Hazardous Spills
- Burning Agricultural Wastes for Fuel
- Applying Sludge or Wastewater to Agricultural Fields
- Assistance with Conservation Practices
- Questions on Well Construction
- Questions on Building new Water Treatment Facilities
- Questions on Underground Storage Tanks
- Building or Modifying an Area to Contain Runoff or Animal Wastes
- Questions on Drinking Water Standards



## How to Contact the DNR

The main office in Missouri is located in Jefferson City. There are six regional DNR offices across the state. For more information on any DNR functions, phone **1-800-334-6946**.

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