



News From The Northwest

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City of Elmo Receives Grants for Water Tower Renovations

In July, the City of Elmo was awarded a \$400,000 grant through the Missouri Department of Economic Development, Community Development Block Grant Program and \$100,000 through the Small Borrower's Loan Program from Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MoDNR). The city will contribute \$5,000 of cash match.

The legged steel elevated water storage tank has deteriorated from use and weather exposure and is needing repairs to both the exterior and interior to meet MoDNR safety guidelines. The city's water tower was originally constructed in 1914. In 1964, the water tower was purchased by the City Council from a community in Wisconsin. The tower was deconstructed, transported by rail and truck before being reconstructed in its current location as part of the City's first water system. The water system served its first customer in June 1965.

This project aims to rehabilitate and repair the water tower for the City of Elmo to reduce the costly repairs and reduce the health and safety risks the city is currently facing. The city's engineer, Snyder & Associates, prepared a Preliminary Engineering Report to use to apply for funding to assist the city with the needed repairs to the water tower. Now that the project is funded, the city will select an engineering firm to begin the design of the tower. The city hopes the project will begin next spring. The city has hired Northwest Missouri Regional Council of Governments as their Grant Administrator.



Get Your Project on Our List

The Regional Council is always accepting projects to add to our "To-Do List". If your jurisdiction has a demolition project, a road and bridge project, a water or wastewater project... or anything else that you need funds to help accomplish, please reach out. Funding sources are opening at various times throughout the year, so it is our goal to always have projects in the queue and ready as funding opportunities become available. For more information or to discuss a project with our staff, please email jerri@nwmorcog.org.



Solid Waste Management District Shares Project Updates

We have completed projects for FY21 and are beginning new projects for FY22. The recycling digital ads will be coming soon as they are scheduled to roll out beginning the first week of September. The first ad was posted to the Regional Council's Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/NWMORCOG>) so be sure to check it out and share it!

The Grant City Multi-purpose court has been completed with a grand opening planned for early Fall.

The Stanberry school plans to launch the Bulldog Recycling Initiative with the start of school. They have purchased recycling bins and other items made from recycled materials to showcase how recycled materials can be transformed into other products. One of the items purchased is crumb weights for their school weight room. The report is that the students and community are excited and invested in this project. The students will be responsible in part to prepare the materials for transport to the recycling center.

NWMSU was awarded funds through EIERA Missouri for the purchase of a Bio-mass Boiler that will allow Northwest to burn mixed paper collected and potentially other biomass products. With all of the materials transported from our 5-county area to their recycling center, this will exponentially help with the end use of materials collected locally.

Holt County is awaiting the delivery of two enclosed trailers to be used for collection, storage and transport of recyclables collected at various sites throughout the county. The anticipated start of this program is late November.

Nodaway County Recycling has begun their site improvements. These improvements will enhance the safety and security of the current recycling operation facilities. The site collects e-waste, white goods, and metals.

We are fortunate to have so many individuals in our area that are invested in recycling and in providing recycling opportunities to our communities.

Household Hazardous Waste (HHW) Collection Site OPEN September 11

The HHW Collection Site will be open from 8 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, September 11, 2021. The site is located at the Nodaway County Maintenance Barn, 1516 E. Halsey, Maryville. Residents of Atchison, Gentry, Holt, Nodaway and Worth Counties may drop off items. It is free, but an ID is required.

No commercial or business waste accepted. Examples of HHW include: household chemicals (bleach, ammonia, and cleaners) fertilizers, pesticides, brake fluid, transmission fluid, household waxes, Ni-cad, lithium, and lead acid batteries, compact fluorescent light bulbs, florescent tubes, antifreeze, oil base paint, and varnish. Do not mix household hazardous wastes together; keep in the original container. No latex paint accepted. Latex paint can be dried out and put into the trash. To view a complete list of acceptable and unacceptable items, please download the following document: https://nwmorcogdotorg.files.wordpress.com/2021/06/2021_hhw-brochure.pdf.

Tarkio Waste Tire Collection

The City of Tarkio requested assistance to coordinate a waste tire collection. The NW Missouri Regional Solid Waste Management District was able to again partner with Bolder Industries, Maryville. Bolder took in 16,000 pounds (8 Ton) of waste tires from the Tarkio community.

The SW District Planner continues to work with Missouri Product Stewardship Council on education and location mapping for safe pharmaceuticals disposal. Educational materials can be found on [the MO PSC pharms webpage](https://www.mopsc.org/bit.ly/MO-safer-disposal) (bit.ly/MO-safer-disposal), including a link to the map, our fact sheet, and social media graphics.

As a reminder, A **Prescription Medication Drop-Box** is now available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week in the entrance lobby of the **Maryville** Department of **Public Safety** located at 101 North Vine, Maryville, MO. This medication collection and disposal program provides a safe disposal location for citizens to properly dispose of unused and expired household medications.



Important Dates

August 31: Demolition CDBG Meeting, 6 p.m., via ZOOM

September 6: RCOG and Job Center CLOSED

September 8: Solid Waste Executive Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., RCOG Office or via ZOOM

September 11: Household Hazard Waste Collection Site OPEN from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, 1516 E. Halsey, Maryville

October 2: Household Hazard Waste Collection Site OPEN from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, 1516 E. Halsey, Maryville

October 11: RCOG and Job Center CLOSED

October 13: Solid Waste Executive Board Meeting, 5:30p.m., location TBD

November 6: Household Hazard Waste Collection Site OPEN from 8 a.m. to 12 noon, 1516 E. Halsey, Maryville

November 10: Solid Waste Executive Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., location TBD

November 11: RCOG and Job Center CLOSED

November 16: FY22 2Q Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting, 6:30 p.m., location TBD

November 25: RCOG and Job Center CLOSED

November 26: RCOG CLOSED



For more information about the Regional Council or the Missouri Job Center, upcoming events, or to request a presentation, please contact us at:

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