



MISSOURI STREAM TEAM WORKSHOP ANNOUNCEMENT

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VOLUNTEER WATER QUALITY MONITORING

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Intro and Level 1 Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring

New to VWQM and looking to get involved with monitoring? Or have you completed *Introduction to VWQM* and would like to take your data to the next level? Here is your chance!

Intro and Level 1 VWQM trainings will now be offered together. This includes training for stream flow, biological and chemical monitoring, and visual survey. Each workshop consists of a 2-part virtual learning and field training. After completion of the virtual learning, volunteers are eligible to attend the field training to become certified as an Intro or Level 1 water quality monitor. Completing the virtual training is required before attending the stream-side training. Certified *Intro* monitors will receive equipment for stream flow and biological monitoring. Certified *Level 1* monitors will receive equipment for monitoring water chemistry. Registration links are on the next page.

NEW THIS YEAR: Intro and Level 1 Field Trainings Combined!

Join a network of thousands of citizen scientists collecting biological, chemical, and physical assessment data on Missouri's wadable streams. Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring (VWQM) training is now virtual – mostly. Field trainings are still held stream-side. Our workshops are free and essential monitoring equipment is provided at no cost to volunteers.



Follow this link to learn more:
[Water Quality Monitoring \(mostreamteam.org\)](https://www.mostreamteam.org)



REGISTRATION

Certification for each level requires completion of a 2-part virtual training *and* stream-side training.

Step 1. Virtual Training

Register for Part A and B of the live virtual training or watch the recorded lessons at your convenience. These educational presentations are open to anyone!

Introduction to VWQM

Intro level certified volunteers can collect stream discharge and biological data.

PART A: INTRODUCTION TO VWQM, SITE SELECTION, and STREAM DISCHARGE	PART B: SAFETY, BIOLOGICAL MONITORING, WATERSHED MAPPING and ONLINE TOOLS
LIVE 08/23/2022 5:30 PM-7:30 PM	LIVE 08/25/2022 5:30 PM-7:30 PM
RECORDED (Watch any time – Click here!) youtube.com/c/missouristreamteam	RECORDED (Watch any time – Click here!) youtube.com/c/missouristreamteam

Level 1

Level 1 certified volunteers can collect visual survey and water chemistry data.

PART A: INTRODUCTION TO LEVEL 1, VISUAL SURVEY	PART B: SAFETY and WATER CHEMISTRY
LIVE 08/30/2022 5:30PM-7:30PM	LIVE 09/01/2022 5:30PM-7:30PM
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Step 2. Field Training

After completing Part A and Part B and/or watching the recordings for both Introduction and Level 1, you are eligible to attend the field training. During which, you will practice monitoring methods at a stream site under the direction of Stream Team staff. Locations of these trainings are offered around Jefferson City, Eminence, Kansas City, Neosho, Springfield, Cape Girardeau, and Saint Louis.

FIELD TRAININGS ARE SCHEDULED AROUND THE STATE DURING SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER 2022. VISIT THE EVENT REGISTRATION LINK TO VIEW CURRENT OFFERINGS FOR FIELD TRAININGS.

Follow this link to register for the virtual and stream-side certification trainings:



<https://mdc-event-web.s3licensing.com/Event/AllEvents?EventTypeId=21>

The Stream Team Volunteer Water Quality Monitoring Program is committed to principles of equal access to all of its programs, services, and activities. Some aspects of this activity may not be suitable for those with certain disabilities. People with disabilities requiring special services or accommodations to attend the training can make arrangements by calling 573-526-7383, Laura.Richardson@dnr.mo.gov, or by writing: Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program, PO Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102. Due to the necessity of staffing team members, we request that you allow for at least 2 weeks' notice, if possible, so we may best accommodate your needs. At the latest, we require 48 hours' notice in advance of the event, unless this deadline is unreasonable.