

**Deer Creek Watershed Alliance  
Community Leaders Task Force  
May 12, 2026, 2:00 - 3:30  
Ladue City Hall**

**Attendees**

|                                        |                                         |
|----------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|
| Allison Joyce, DCWA/MBG                | Josh Ward, GRG                          |
| Anne Lamitola, City of Ladue           | Len Madalon, City of Frontenac/EDM      |
| Bola Akande, City of Brentwood         | Marcie Mouton, MSD                      |
| Bryan-Nicole Samuels, St. Louis County | Margot Martin, City of Frontenac        |
| Chris Bergmann, MSD                    | Maureen McCarthy, East-West Gateway     |
| Dione Garson, City of Creve Coeur      | Nicholle Spencer, MSD                   |
| Fran Chronister                        | Stacy Arnold, DCWA/Stormwater Solutions |
| Hannah Gibson, DCWA/MBG                | Taylor Heuermann, DCWA/MBG              |
| Jeffrey Riepe, MSD                     | Tim Brunsman, City of Richmond Heights  |

**MSD: Municipal Stormwater Grants Program and Trunk E Sanitary Relief**

- Stormwater Capital Program (Result of Prop S passing in 2024)
  - Projects already going in the ground
  - Projects prioritized in order of impact determined via cost-benefit analysis
- Municipal Stormwater Grant Program (Result of Prop S passing in 2024)
  - Now accepting applications quarterly with no designated expiration on funds
  - Marcie Mouton administers program
  - Resource hub: [msdprojectclear.org/stormwatergrants](https://msdprojectclear.org/stormwatergrants)
    - 30% of Prop S funds go to municipalities, funding amounts based on municipal population size
    - Municipalities can “team up” on projects and pool funds
- OMCI Grant Program
  - Only 3 OMCI accounts remain active as most municipalities have opted to use the new Municipal Grant Program instead
    - Deer Creek, University City River des Peres and Sugar Creek OMCI remain active
    - These funds can only be spent within OMCI boundaries, but they can be paired with Municipal Stormwater Grant funds
- Webster Groves Trunk E Project Status
  - Goal to increase wastewater capacity in the area and eliminate 2 Sanitary Sewer Overflows
  - Phase 1 construction is complete (1,200 feet of pipe)
  - Phase 2 construction to begin mid to late Summer 2026 (5,600 feet of pipe)
    - For reference, a mile is 5,280 feet!

**Great River Greenway: Deer Creek Greenway**

- [Deer Creek Center to River des Peres Greenway](#)
  - Work scheduled to begin in June 2026
- [Oxford Bend Park](#)
  - Construction underway, anticipated completion September 2026
- [Shady Creek: Elm Ave to Gore Ave](#)

- In the design phase, anticipated groundbreaking Summer 2027
- [Brentwood to Tilles Park](#)
  - In the planning phase. Three open houses scheduled for community input: Tuesday, June 9 (Ladue), Wednesday, June 10 (Brentwood), and Wednesday, June 17 (Rock Hill)

### **City of Ladue: Stormwater Program**

- Ladue's Stormwater Program started in 2015
- Currently expanding the program – previously relied on part-time work from retired engineers, now have capacity for a full-time staff engineer
- Clayton Rd. Culvert project just wrapped up
- [Small Stormwater Grant Program](#)
  - Award 4 per year, Ladue matches 50% up to \$35,000.00
  - Projects focus on stormwater drainage, erosion control, flooding mitigation, etc.
- Deer Creek Preserve – to become part of the Greenway

### **Deer Creek Watershed Alliance**

- Phase V
  - Phase V on track to close out approved amendment by June 30, 2026.
  - Volunteer day at Lorraine Davis Park on Friday, May 29 as part of closing out Phase V.
- Phase VI
  - Approved by the EPA, will begin July 1, 2026
  - Includes the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Alliance, planning for a creek crossing and watershed signage campaign
  - Reimbursement funds for brining equipment through the Rainscaping Cost-Share Program will be available in this phase.
- Watershed planning update
  - Plan will be rewritten in Phase VI.
  - There may be additional planning meetings as part of this process.
  - Let us know if you have non-point-source implementation projects in mind that we could partner on in the next several years.
  - Submit municipal stormwater master plans so that we can reference them.
- Rainscaping Cost-Share Program, Round 2026
  - Eblasts to 2,580 program registrants and mailed letters to 1,107 people in priority sub-watersheds
  - 48 people attended live orientations (28 in person, 20 virtual) and 21 have watched the online recording
  - Contractors have confirmed they're receiving plenty of inquiries and planning to submit applications with clients, hoping for a robust response.
  - **Application deadline, Friday, June 5, 2026. Award notifications will be sent Friday, July 17, 2026.**

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