

# *Sullivan County Memorial Hospital*

*630 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Street ~ Milan MO 63556*

January 14, 2014

**Brownfields Grant Administrator**

**c/o Brad Scott**

**201 Market Street**

**Milan, MO 63556**

Dear Sirs:

Let this letter serve as a letter of support and endorsement for the Brownfields applications from the North Central Missouri Regional Water Commission. The Commission is responsible for the development and construction of a water supply reservoir which shall serve to remedy a severe water shortage for a 10 county region in North Central Missouri.

I am writing on behalf of Sullivan County Memorial Hospital, Milan, MO who will benefit from not only having stable water accessibility 365 days per year but from the overall impact of the initial construction project and ongoing requirements of job growth which is estimated to create almost 2,000 jobs, in addition to enabling future economic development in commercial and industrial enterprises..

Required clean-up for land already purchase shall be required due to the potential safety and health risks that may be posed to the water quality. Resources are needed to help offset the increased costs to this project. We appreciate any consideration for support to our cause.

There is little question as to the benefit that this project will create for North Missouri, and certainly the Brownfields grant would enhance and help to fulfill our obligations and due diligence to the project. Our area has been previously designated as a "Disadvantaged Community (DAC). North Missouri would benefit greatly from this project with an ultimate mission which would provide future water availability along with fair water rates. We applaud the commission's efforts for their diligence and request that you look favorable upon their application.

Kindest Regards,



Jerry Dover, CEO

Sullivan County Memorial Hospital- Milan MO

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# CITY OF GREEN CITY

January 14, 2014

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c/o Brad Scott  
201 N. Market Street  
Milan, MO  
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To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of the Brownfields applications from the North Central Missouri Regional Water Commission (Commission). The Commission is charged with the responsibility to construct a water supply reservoir to address an acute and chronic water supply shortage for our 10 county region. I am writing on behalf of the Green City Chamber of Commerce whose mission is to help generate revenue for local businesses. We represent the local Green City community, which will benefit from the East Locust Creek Reservoir project because of increased jobs and revenue to our community.

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There is no question that the Reservoir and the Brownfields grant will greatly benefit our community. Our area has been designated a "Disadvantaged Community" (DAC). In addition, we have some of the highest water rates in the State of Missouri. We applaud the Commission for their diligence and hope that you will look favorably upon their Brownfields application.

Sincerely,



Travis Hall, President  
On Behalf of  
Green City Chamber of Commerce

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Sincerely,



Richard Page, Mayor  
On Behalf of  
City of Green City

# SULLIVAN COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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P.O. BOX 214 MILAN, MO 63556-0214

January 13, 2014

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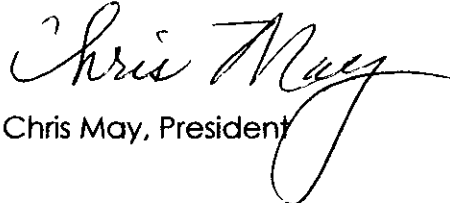
Our 501(c)(3) organization, Sullivan County Community Development Corporation (SCCDC), requests your favorable evaluation of the North Central Missouri Regional Water Commission's (Commission) Brownfields application. The mission of SCCDC is to assist Sullivan County communities in obtaining the goals necessary to enhance the quality of life. The Commission's mission to construct a water supply reservoir for our region fits perfectly with our mission. A stable water supply is critical to the quality of life in our area, or any area.

Droughts in our region, and particularly our county, have severely threatened the livelihood of our citizens. Therefore, we strongly support the Commission's effort to do the work that must be done to move forward with the construction of the reservoir. This entails the necessary demolition of over 60 vacant structures and approximately 40 other sites that require clean-up. These structures and sites are located on land already acquired for the construction of the reservoir.

When the reservoir is completed, it will provide 7 million gallons of water per day to a 10-county region, thus not only benefiting our county but nine others. This will stabilize our water supply and in turn stabilize our economy. It will also provide 1,900 jobs and the potential of long-term economic development.

Our area is designated as a Disadvantaged Community (DAC). This reservoir represents hope, security, and prosperity for our future. Therefore, we sincerely hope that you will approve the grant application to help the Commission complete the necessary task of demolition and clean-up and ultimately the construction of the reservoir.

Sincerely,



Chris May, President

# SULLIVAN COUNTY MISSOURI

## SULLIVAN COUNTY COMMISSION

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**PRESIDING COMMISSIONER**

**CHRIS MAY**

**1<sup>ST</sup> DISTRICT COMMISSIONER**

**JOHN WATT**

**2<sup>ND</sup> DISTRICT COMMISSIONER**

**DANNY BUSICK**

January 7, 2014

Brownfields Grant Administrator

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Milan, MO 63556

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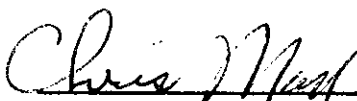
The County Commission of Sullivan County would like to express our support for the North Central Missouri Regional Water Commission Project and their application for the Brownfields grant. The County Commission of Sullivan County has had a long standing issue with the lack of a sufficient water supply in our county. This issue has been continuous for several decades and has been a very severe problem when dealing with the issue of economic development in Sullivan County. If there is no sufficient water supply then economic development will not happen. No water, no jobs, it is that simple. As a result of these challenges this area has seen a significant impact to economical growth. This has created in our population a very large segment of lower income families.


Lack of water hurts our economy but it also directly impacts these low income families in the form of high water rates. Since shortage of water has been such a severe problem in Sullivan County, extreme measures have been needed to supply water to the area. Therefore water rates in Sullivan County are some of the highest in Missouri which puts an extra burden on the low income families that reside here.


Sullivan County is the home of several diverse cultures and the impact of the North Central Missouri Regional Water Reservoir would have a very positive economic impact to all cultural groups of Sullivan County.

The grants that will enable the removal of the structures and the removal of hazardous materials will help this very crucial project move forward. As representatives of the citizen's of Sullivan County we are whole heartedly in support of this project and North Central Missouri Regional Water Commission's application for the Brownfields grant.

Sincerely,

  
Chris May - Presiding Commissioner

  
John Watt - 1<sup>st</sup> Dist. Commissioner

  
Danny Busick - 2<sup>nd</sup> Dist. Commissioner

## **COMMUNITIES AGAINST DRUGS AND ALCOHOL (CADA)**

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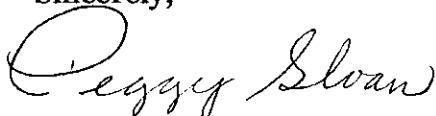
To Whom It May Concern:

Our organization wishes to express our strong support of the Brownfields application from the North Central Missouri Regional Water Commission (Commission). The Commission is responsible for constructing a water supply reservoir to address an acute and chronic water supply shortage for our 10-county region. We believe that this reservoir will be an overwhelming blessing to our community.

As a result of purchasing over half of the 4,300 acres necessary to construct the reservoir, the Commission now owns approximately 60 structures that must be demolished because they are vacant and pose a safety, security, and health risk to the public. CADA's interest in the demolition of these structures is to eliminate potential housing for meth labs, the distribution of drugs, and any other illegal activities that gravitate toward vacant structures.

CADA is a voluntary organization in Sullivan County whose members are concerned citizens and professionals. Our mission is to decrease substance abuse through a community-wide effort that will provide education and support to county citizens. We firmly believe that the vacant structures provide support for illegal activity, particularly substance abuse, and thus, we want them gone. Therefore, we respectfully request that the Commission's application be approved so that they can proceed with demolition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Peggy Sloan".

Peggy Sloan  
CADA Representative

VILLAGE OF POLLOCK  
P.O. BOX 409  
POLLOCK, MO 63560

January 10, 2014

Brownfields Grant Administrator  
c/o Brad Scott  
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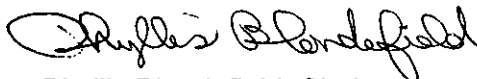
The Village of Pollock strongly supports the Brownfields application from the North Central Missouri Regional Water Commission (Commission). The Commission is responsible for the construction of a water supply reservoir to address an acute and chronic water supply shortage for our 10-county region. Our village is located at the headwaters of the planned reservoir; thus, we are very familiar with the Commission and the reservoir project.

Because we have been involved with the development of the reservoir, we are very aware of the work that must be done to make it come to fruition, which includes the acquisition of 4,300 acres of ground, over half of which has been purchased. We know that there are over 60 structures that must be removed from the purchased ground because they represent multiple risks (security, safety, and health), as well as environmental concerns. We also know that there are approximately 40 other sites that require clean-up.

This reservoir is vital to the economic stability and development of this region. Each drought that we have experienced has put our businesses and farmers in serious jeopardy. Since the reservoir will provide 7 million gallons of water per day to our region, this will ensure an adequate water supply for 54,000 residents in the region. Besides helping us maintain our current economic base, the reservoir will create over 1,900 jobs. Obviously, our little town, with most citizens living at the poverty level, would welcome job opportunities. We expect to grow as a result of the reservoir construction and the expected recreational development when it is completed.

Therefore, we sincerely hope that the Commission's application to obtain support for the demolition/clean-up of the structures will be approved so that the Commission can move forward with reservoir development.

Sincerely,



Phyllis Blondefield, Chair  
Village Council

**POLLOCK AREA COMMUNITY CENTER (PACC)  
506 C STREET  
POLLOCK, MO 63560**

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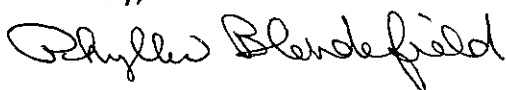
On behalf of the Pollock Area Community Center Board of Directors, I am writing in support of the Brownfields application from the North Central Missouri Regional Water Commission (Commission). As a result of some land they have purchased to construct a reservoir for our 10-county region, they own approximately 60 vacant structures that to be demolished, as well as approximately 40 other observed sites that need to be cleaned up. This demolition and clean-up must be completed in order to construct the reservoir.

Our community center is a 501(c)(3) corporation located at the headwaters of the reservoir. One of our purposes is to support projects of interest to the entire community. Thus we have welcomed the public meetings at our center that the Commission has held to keep the public informed of reservoir development.

Our board is very excited about the benefits of this reservoir—much-needed relief from the chronic threat of drought in our 10-county region, the creation of over 1,900 jobs, the strong potential for economic and recreational development, and help for this Disadvantaged Community.

There is no question that the vacant structures need to be demolished not only for the reservoir project, but also for the security and safety of our communities. They are havens for illegal activity. In addition, the sites must be cleaned up in order to ensure a clean water supply once the reservoir is constructed. Therefore, we respectfully request that the Commission receive a positive response to their application.

Sincerely,



Phyllis Blondefield  
Vice President





# Green Hills Rural Development, Inc.

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Sincerely,

Randy Railsback  
On Behalf of  
Green Hills Regional Planning Commission



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If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at (660) 359-3907 or email [garciam@ghcaa.org](mailto:garciam@ghcaa.org).

Sincerely,



Mary Garcia  
Housing Development Director



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Aaron Franklin, CEO

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As City Administrator for the city of Milan, Missouri, I am submitting this correspondence on behalf of the Milan Board of Aldermen, in support of the Brownfields applications from the North Central Missouri Regional Water Commission (Commission). Milan is not only the county seat but the largest community in Sullivan County. As such, it is our residents that have primarily supported the Commission's efforts as they lead this initiative to construct a water supply reservoir to address an acute and chronic water supply shortage for Sullivan County and 9 surrounding counties.

As a member of the Commission, we are fully aware that several recognized environmental concerns" (RECs) have already been identified on property owned by the Commission; approximately 40 other observed sites (OBS) require clean-up. These structures pose a threat to our future water supply as many contain hazardous waste. The Brownfields Grant will not only facilitate the clean-up of these areas but will also provide relief from chronic threat of drought, help ensure the integrity of the future water supply for Milan and Sullivan County, and address water supply issues for nine other counties in our region.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "James Onello". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

James W. Onello  
City Administrator