



Missouri Heartwood Records (C4209)

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Abstract: Records of an environmental coalition concerned with protecting and restoring the native Ozarks forests. Includes files on lead mining and poisoning, incinerator use, wood chipping, logging, forest planning, and other environmental issues in Missouri.

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Historical Note:

Missouri Heartwood was organized in the 1990s and filed incorporation papers with the State of Missouri in 1997, at which time it opened an office in Columbia, Missouri. Missouri Heartwood was associated with Heartwood, Inc., an Indiana-based environmental group involved in the preservation of Eastern and Midwestern hardwood forests.

Missouri Heartwood was active on environmental issues in the Ozarks such as wildlife protection, logging and forestry, chip mills, pollution, and lead mining. The group's activism included public education, political lobbying, and litigation. Working with several other environmental groups, they successfully campaigned against the establishment of wood chip mills in the Missouri Ozarks, as well as participating in a decades-long battle against the Doe Run mining company and its existing and proposed lead mining endeavors in the Mark Twain National Forest.

Missouri Heartwood became less active as an organization by the mid-2000s, as its members became involved in other environmental groups or began working under the Heartwood umbrella organization. By 2009, the Missouri Heartwood's incorporation filings with the state had lapsed.

Arrangement:

The collection has been arranged into the following two series with seven subseries:

Organizational Files

Research and Activism

Forestry and Logging

Wildlife

Economics

Anti-Environmentalists

Lead Mining

Miscellaneous

Scope and Content Note:

The records of Missouri Heartwood include extensive research files on Ozarks environmental issues, as well as some organization files. The most complete set of materials documents the fight against lead mining in the Ozarks dating back to the 1980s.

The **Organizational Files** are scattered and incomplete, consisting of a few founding documents, documentation on interns from the University of Missouri, early budgetary materials, GIS and mapping materials, and some graphics and other materials used to develop the newsletter. A zip drive containing digital files of newsletters appears to be damaged and inaccessible.

The **Research and Activism** series is the core of the collection, documenting the diverse activities of Missouri Heartwood, including educational workshops, lawsuits, lobbying, publicity campaigns, and research. Here researchers can find extensive information on many environmental issues in the Ozarks. Included are correspondence, clippings, court documents, government records obtained through the Freedom of Information Act, scientific studies, notes, white papers, meeting agendas and minutes, and published and semi-published materials from various environmental organizations. These materials are kept together in subject files divided

into the topics of forestry, wildlife, economics, anti-environmentalists, lead mining, and other miscellaneous subjects. The files on lead mining are the most extensive, comprising nearly half of the collection. These files thoroughly document an ongoing battle against mining companies in the Ozarks, particularly Doe Run, the largest lead producer in the United States, as well as the effects of lead mining on humans and the environment. Wildlife files primarily concern a campaign to protect the Indiana Bat, and the forestry files document a successful campaign against chip milling in Missouri, as well as the group's research into sustainable forestry, such as Leo Dray's Pioneer Forest, and anti-logging and anti-roads materials. Economics files are primarily statistics on the local economy of the Ozarks, and the anti-environmentalist files document the "Wise Use" movement organized by political conservatives, as well as harassment of activists and an alleged assault on an Ozarks environmentalist in the field in August 1997. Miscellaneous files are about gold mining, river pollution, and incinerator use.

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