MISSION
To take joint action on legislative and regulatory issues for the group or at the request of individual members

SERVICES
- Education & Training
- Legislative Advocacy
- Regulatory Support
- Technical Assistance
- Permit Assistance
- Mutual Aid
- Municipal Financing
- Operator Certification
  ◊ Drinking Water Treatment
  ◊ Water Distribution
  ◊ Wastewater Treatment
  ◊ Wastewater Collection

About MPUA
MPUA represents municipally-owned utilities across Missouri for the benefit of customers and the community. It is a state-wide trade organization with roots dating back to 1929. The Association monitors and advocates member interests in legislative and regulatory issues at the state and national levels. The organization also provides technical support in the areas of water and wastewater compliance, electric and natural gas supply, financing, safety training, and utility operations.

MEMBERSHIP
Contact Phil Walsack at MPUA to learn how your utility can become a member.

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BACKGROUND

With new and increasing regulatory requirements on the horizon, municipal water and wastewater systems can find themselves feeling isolated and unsure about their interactions with Missouri’s Department of Natural Resources and federal agencies.

The Missouri Public Water Council is organized to coordinate resources and offer a unified voice on legislative and regulatory matters impacting water and wastewater issues at the state and federal level.

RESOURCES

The Missouri Public Water Council, in coordination with MPUA, has senior-level staff to serve our member’s needs. We will:

- **Be an intermediary** between regulatory agencies for members
- **Synthesize information** and brief members regarding pertinent issues utilizing the Alliance communications tools
- **Be pro-active** on issues by regularly meeting with the key DNR staff, including the Director, to discuss member concerns
- **Assist members** in completion of compliance documents, funding applications, and technical presentations
- **Communicate** comments/input from members on areas of mutual concern
- **Build coalitions** among communities

RESPONSIBILITY

The Missouri Public Water Council shall have responsibility for:

- Developing and advocating strong municipal-led public policy
- Serving as a forum for consultation on matters concerning the ownership and operation of drinking water and wastewater systems
- Developing and overseeing expenditure plans for all funds budgeted for the Water Council
- Oversight of all MPWC/MPUA staff, consultant activities, and functions supporting members’ water and wastewater operations

“There is so much at stake regarding regulatory changes for Missouri utilities, it is time for water and wastewater systems to work together and take a more active role in the process. The vision of the Missouri Public Utility Alliance leadership that resulted in the official formation of the Missouri Public Water Council creates a statewide effort and a unified voice. By working together we will have the opportunity to make a greater impact on the development of new regulations and how they are implemented.”

- Chad Davis, MPWC Chair

“Regulations could cost Missouri water utilities from $300 million to $1 Billion. You better prepare your Council now!”

- David Shorr, Attorney—Lathrop & Gage, Former DNR Director