



2011 SWS Central Chapter Fall Meeting *FINAL* Agenda September 15th & 16th

Thursday September 15th Chapter Meeting Burr Oak Woods Nature Center, Blue Springs, Missouri

8:30-9:00 Sign in and Registration (Coffee and Pastries)

9:00-9:45

**Mr. Paul Ling, Environmental Manager
Kansas City Power & Light Company**

Topic: KCP&L's wetland restoration and environmental projects.

This presentation gives a broad overview of the construction and progress of the Iatan Generating Station Wetland Project including issues with the hydrology of the area.

9:45-10:30

**Ms. Eliodora Chamberlain
Environmental Protection Agency, Region 7**

Topic: EPA's National Wetlands Condition Assessment

EPA and its State, Tribal, and Federal partners are implementing the first-ever national survey on the condition of the Nation's wetlands. The survey is designed to provide regional and national estimates of wetland ecological integrity and rank the stressors most commonly associated with poor conditions. The discussion will provide an overview of the program and updates on results.

10:30-10:45

Coffee Break

10:45-11:30

**Mr. Chad Johnson
Olsson Associates**

Topic: Update on the Revisions of the APWA/MARC Manual

The MARC/APWA Manual of Best Management Practices for Stormwater Quality is a regional standard that requires periodic updates and improvements based on the evolving information and experience available for BMP implementation in the Kansas City region. Revisions to the Manual are currently being finalized, and the presentation will include a discussion of the proposed revisions and a look at what issues may be addressed in the future.

11:30-12:15

Lunch Provided

(cold meat & cheese trays, garden salad, pasta salad)



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Thursday September 15th Chapter Meeting (continued)

12:15-1:30 Central Chapter Business Meeting

Discussion Topics (tentative):

- SWS Central Chapter Update
- SWS Society Update
- Treasurer's Report
- Other Old Business
- Election of New Officers:
 - Vice President _____
 - Treasurer _____
- Installation of New Officers
 - Vice President _____
 - Treasurer _____
 - President Jeff Bunch
 - Immediate Past President Devin Wilson
 - Secretary Frank Norman
- Other Member Questions, Comments, Concerns, further Discussion
- Presentation by Devin Wilson on the 2011 SWS International Conference in Prague, Czech Republic

1:30-1:45 Raffle

1:45-2:30

Ms. Nikki Guillot

City of Lenexa Kansas

Topic: "Lessons Learned" Regarding Stormwater BMP's and Green Infrastructure

Lenexa has been a leader in innovative municipal stormwater management for almost ten years. The road of the stormwater program from compliance-based minimum measures to state of the art green infrastructure and public lakes hasn't been without its bumps and blind curves. Through public-private partnership in design, construction and maintenance of stormwater facilities, Lenexa has continued to evolve with changing economic times to deliver a valuable amenity to our residents. Here are some of our "Lessons Learned".

2:30-3:15

Mr. Brian Donahue, Project Manager

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, KC District, Regulatory Branch

Topic: Jurisdictional Determinations under Section 404

The discussion will entail how the Kansas City District USACE currently determines regulatory jurisdiction under Section 404, Clean Water Act.

3:15-3:30 Afternoon Break

3:30-4:15

Mr. Shane Staten, PWS. Terra Technologies, Inc.

Topic: The Sni-A-Bar Creek Wetland and Stream Mitigation Bank

The Sni-A-Bar Creek Wetland and Stream Mitigation Bank is located in Grain Valley, and its service area includes much of the Kansas City Metropolitan Area. The discussion will focus on the restoration process, what types of habitat were created/restored, and lessons learned during the process.

4:30-5:00: Site Tour of Sni-A-Bar Mitigation Bank

Social to follow: Minsky's Pizza

2201 NW State Route 7
Blue Springs, MO
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Wetland Plant Identification Course

Provided by the Institute of Botanical Training
James A. Reed Conservation Area, Kansas City, Missouri

8:30 AM-4:00 PM

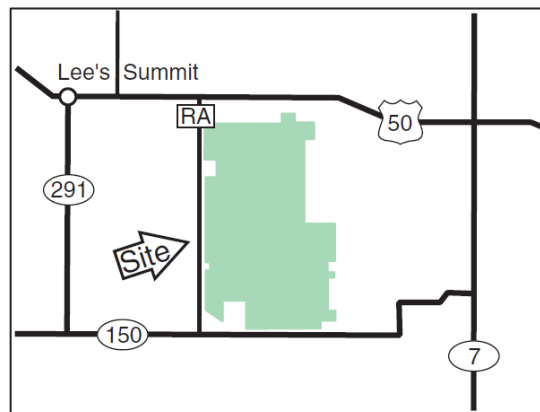
Driving Directions:

One mile east of Lee's Summit on Ranson Road and 0.9 miles south of Highway 50. Meet at the new *Kansas City Regional Office*.

NOTICE

The new Kansas City Regional Office is now open. Office hours are Monday – Friday, 8am to 5pm. The old Reed Area headquarters is now closed to the public. The old Reed entrance is now closed, please use the new entrance 0.6 miles to the north on Ranson RD.

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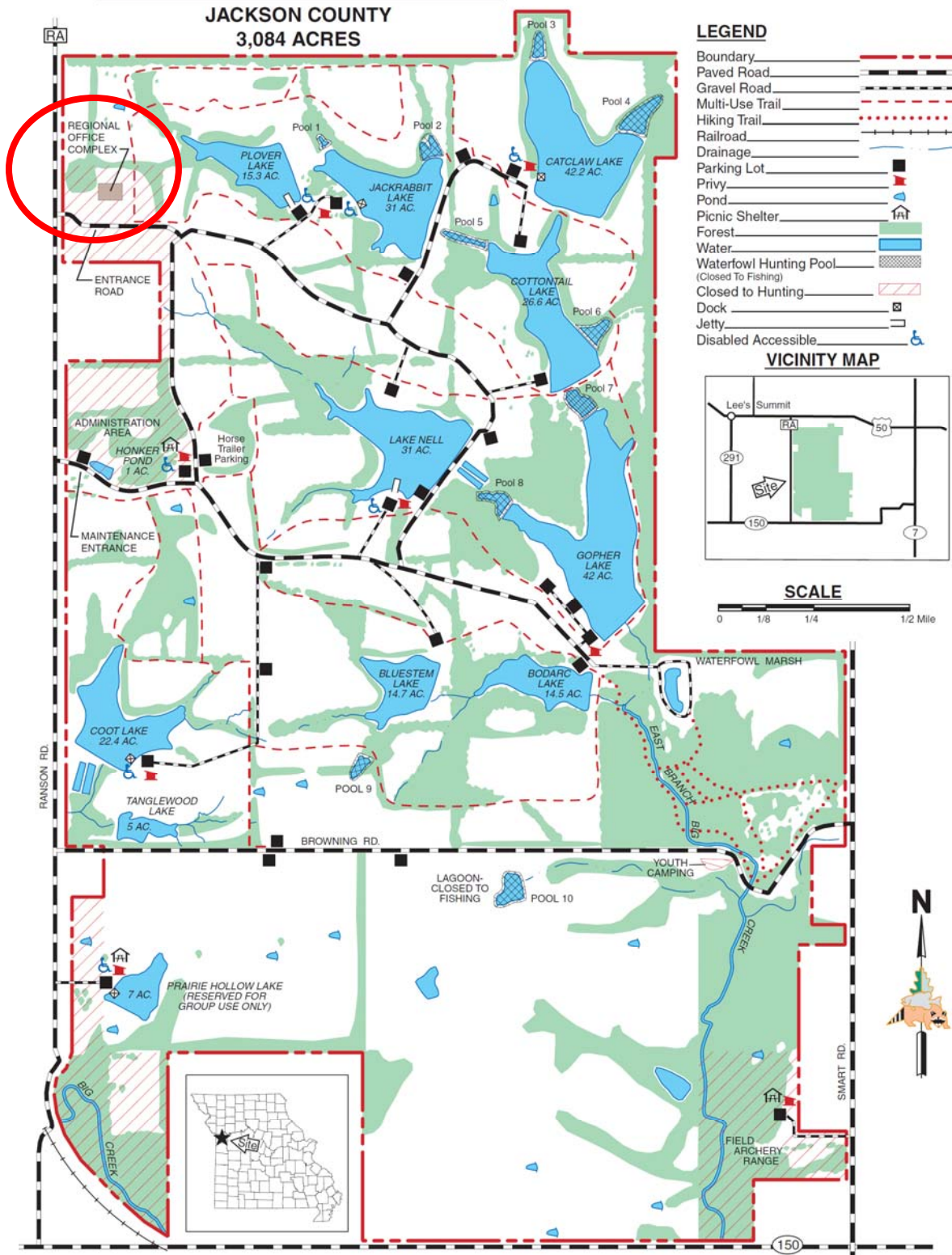
Bring water, a notebook, insect repellent, sunscreen, hat, boots, and other clothing appropriate for weather in mid-September.

Boxed lunches from Panera will be provided to all attendees around noon. (Orders will be taken Thursday for those attending both, and Friday morning for those only attending the Plant ID course.)

Participants will receive a certificate of completion at the end of each workshop. This Wetland Plant Identification Course will count as credit toward the fulfillment of the certification of "Professional Wetland Scientist" as set forth by the Society of Wetland Scientists.

JAMES A. REED MEMORIAL WILDLIFE AREA

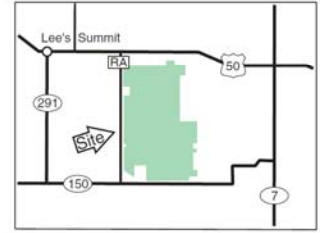
JACKSON COUNTY
3,084 ACRES



LEGEND

- Boundary
- Paved Road
- Gravel Road
- Multi-Use Trail
- Hiking Trail
- Railroad
- Drainage
- Parking Lot
- Privy
- Pond
- Picnic Shelter
- Forest
- Water
- Waterfowl Hunting Pool (Closed to Fishing)
- Closed to Hunting
- Dock
- Jetty
- Disabled Accessible

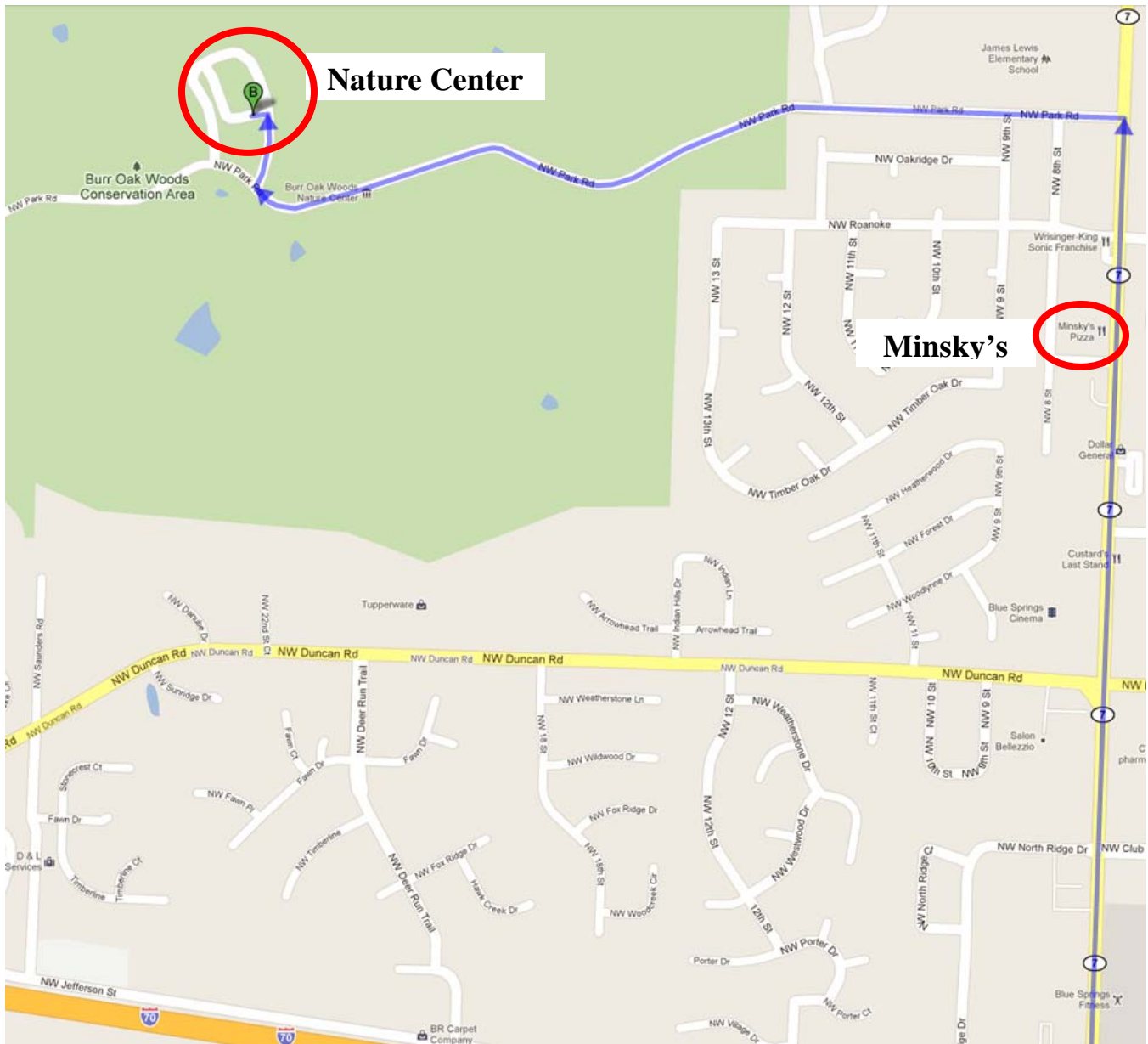
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Directions to Burr Oak Woods



- From **I-70**, take **Exit 20** for MO Highway 7 in Blue Springs.
- Travel north on **MO-7** for approximately 1.2 miles to **NW Park Road**.
- Turn left on **NW Park Road** and travel 1 mile west to the Burr Oak Woods Nature Center.
- Follow the signs for the Nature Center once you enter Burr Oak Woods Conservation Area.
- The Nature Center Driveway is a right turn off of **NW Park Road**.