

Media Loan List

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Introduction

Conservation Movies
Free Loan Library

To celebrate our state's rich animal and plant life, as well as the outdoor pleasures that go with it, the Missouri Department of Conservation maintains a free loan library of film and video productions. Most of these award-winning movies were produced by the Department; however, we've added some titles from outside producers which help to convey the conservation message. Any Missouri school, service club or other organization within the state can borrow them at no charge. (They are not available for loan outside the state.)


LOANS: For information about how to borrow the media materials listed in this catalogue, please see the inside back cover. Note: "MDC" indicates Missouri Department of Conservation productions.

SALES: MDC productions are available for sale to anyone in or out-of-state. To obtain copies of the sales brochure, please contact the MDC Media Librarian (see inside back cover for address and telephone number).

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This series provides the "how-to-do-it" tips to get you going on a variety of conservation-related activities. Whether it's learning the basics of birding or how to prepare for fishing from a canoe, you'll get a great start on enjoying the outdoors with these concise video guides.

Tree Planting and Pruning

High School-Adult
1993/ 10 min. /VHS video 


Learn to select, plant and prune new trees to enhance your home landscape. An urban forester with the Missouri Department of Conservation shows what you need to know to get started on selecting and caring for your own young trees. (MDC)

How to Make a Terrarium

High-School-Adult
1993/ 14 min. /VHS video 

Teachers will find this a useful guide to creating habitats for use in the classroom. (MDC)

Improving Your Forest

High School-Adult
1994/ 12 min. /VHS video 

Whether your woodland is for recreation, income or both, this video will show you easy and affordable ways to increase the beauty, wildlife habitat and value of your timberland. (MDC)

The Key to Duck ID

Upper Elementary-Adult
1994/ 16 min. /VHS video


In this video, you'll learn the most important features to help you identify ducks in any season. Through both still and video images, you'll begin by learning how to tell the main groups—dabbling and diving ducks—apart. (MDC)

Using an Outdoor Classroom

High School-Adult
1993/ 10 min. /VHS video

See how teachers use the outdoors as special "classrooms" in both urban and suburban/rural settings. It's a multi-disciplinary approach to teaching with nature. (MDC)

Beginning Fly Tying

Junior High-Adult
1996/ 11 min. /VHS video 


In this video, a veteran angler shows how to make a simple fly that can attract most any fish in Missouri. You will also see what materials and tools you'll need to start creating your own colorful flies. (MDC)

Babes in the Woods

Adult
1995/ 12 min. /VHS video 


Help toddlers discover the magic of the natural world. Come along on an outdoor stroller walk where children learn to use their senses of sight, hearing, touch and smell. Favorite activities include shaking hands with a tree, smelling walnuts and touching snakeskin. (MDC)

Fishing a Missouri Stream

High School-Adult
1993/ 10 min. /VHS video 


Fishing while you float a Missouri stream can be great fun. Learn some tips on planning your float, where to fish and the basics about fish you might find. (MDC)

Invader Species

High School-Adult
1997/ 30 min. /VHS video 


As they rapidly spread, invader species threaten pasture lands, wetlands, forests and water intakes. Some push out native species; others destroy property and wildlife habitats. Unchecked, they can wreak devastating damage. Learn about the relationship between native and alien species and the kinds of problems that some exotic species can cause. See four tales of invader species and what we can do to protect our natural environment from them. (MDC)

Birding for Beginners

High School-Adult
1994/ 14 min. /VHS video 


Birdwatching is a great way to enjoy the outdoors. The more you learn, the more you see. This video gives the basics of what to look for when you're trying to identify birds, including behavior, color, shape and sound. (MDC)

Exploring Outdoor Missouri

Adult
1996/ 26 min. /VHS video 

Explore Missouri's scenic lands where a variety of recreational opportunities await. See great places to fish, hunt, hike, observe nature and more, plus learn what to bring for an outstanding outdoor adventure. (MDC)

Landscaping for Wildlife

Adult
1994/ 13 min. /VHS video 

You can attract and enjoy birds, butterflies, mammals and more by turning your backyard into a rich home for wildlife. In this video, you'll learn how to plan, what to plant to attract wildlife, and how to provide the three essentials of good habitat (food, water, cover). You'll also pick up a few plant tips. (MDC)

Dealing With Urban Wildlife

Adult
1995/ 14 min. /VHS video 


If you're not prepared, wildlife can cause serious property damage. In this video, you'll learn some practical tips to prevent wildlife problems, as well as how to deal with those you already have. (MDC)

How to Sell Your Timber

Adult
1996/ 13 min. /VHS video 

Safely and effectively manage a timber harvest on your forest land. You'll learn how to mark trees for harvest, show timber to prospective buyers, solicit bids and generate a contract for timber sales. You will also learn safeguards for protecting your land from erosion, water pollution, and other damage that might occur without proper planning. (MDC)

Managing CRP Lands for Wildlife

High School-Adult
2000/ 15 min. /VHS video 

This video shows you how to implement approved management practices such as prescribed burning, strip diking, shrub planting and food plots to improve CRP lands for small game wildlife and grassland songbirds. (MDC)




Building on Wooded Lots

Adult
1998/ 8 min. /VHS video 

In this video, you'll learn practical tips such as how to mark and protect root zones around trees; why posts, bridges and decks work better than foundation walls; what kinds of walkway materials will help protect the soil; how to install utility lines without disrupting tree roots; and what types of landscaping will keep trees healthy after construction. (MDC)

Building & Improving Ponds

Adult
1998/ 11 min. /VHS video 


In this video, you will learn how to plan for and build a new pond. You'll also see how to analyze and improve conditions in your existing ponds. Valuable tips include the three types of fish recommended for stocking in Missouri ponds, timing and methods of stocking, how to control plant growth, growing a good fish population, erosion control and safety considerations. Whether you are planning a new pond or want more from your old one, this video will show how you can achieve a healthy pond for years to come. (MDC)

50 Years With Smokey Bear

Junior High-Adult
1994/ 25 min. /VHS video

This video traces the story of Smokey Bear from the tragic fire of 1950 in Capitan, N.M., to the present day.

Helping Endangered Species Makes Dollars and Sense

High School-Adult
1999/ 17 min. /VHS video 

See how three Missouri landowners improved their operations and the habitat for endangered species at the same time. Learn about voluntary programs that offer technical assistance and cost-shares for achieving these goals. (MDC)

Owls

High School-Adult
1976/ 16 min. /VHS video

Unusual close-up photography shows viewers a variety of owls nesting, rearing their young, hunting and eating. An intriguing sequence describes the physical properties that make the owl a fearsome nocturnal hunter.

Wild in the City

High School-Adult
30 min. /VHS video

If you're searching for ways to do something great for your home and our environment, look no further than "Wild in the City." This video is filled with easy ways to create fragrant, colorful wildlife habitats so songbirds, hummingbirds, butterflies and others will find your yard irresistible. Plus, there is an assortment of building plans for hands-on projects the entire family can enjoy. (MDC)


Feature Attractions

Quail Country

Adult
1989/ 20 min. /VHS video


Three landowners describe their interest in quail and what they've done on their farms to improve habitat for these appealing upland game birds. (MDC)

Legacy of Life

Junior High-Adult
1994/ 13 min. /VHS video 


Missourians support an incredibly diverse natural state through the programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation. This video highlights the services and efforts through which we enjoy an ongoing abundance of thriving fish, forests and wildlife. (MDC)

Furbearers of Missouri

Upper Elementary-Adult
1997/ 19 min. /VHS video 

What weighs 12 ounces and can kill a mammal two or three times its size? How does an otter protect its eyes under water? Can a fox climb trees? Fourteen mammals in Missouri make up a group known as furbearers. Some live quite close to people. Others are secretive and rarely seen. This video shows how they live, hazards they face and what we can do to conserve them. (MDC)

The Nature of Trapping

Junior High-Adult
1996/ 19 min. /VHS video 


In this video you'll hear from wildlife biologists, homeowners, an urban trapper and veterinarians who have had a variety of trapping experiences. They explain how trapping can be useful, how it balances the needs of people and other life in a modern, yet natural world. (MDC)

Where Eagles Soar

Upper Elementary-Adult
1994/ 14 min. /VHS video/DVD 

This 14-minute movie tells the story of the bald eagles' decline in Missouri and their incredible return. Whether they're swooping to catch fish, perched and preening, or feeding their young, the bald eagles in this movie will grab your attention for a close and personal view. (MDC)

The Living Landscape

Upper Elementary-Adult
1985/ 28 min. /VHS video 


This story portrays the American farm as a living landscape where many life forms coexist with modern agriculture. Narrated by Joseph Campanella, the film shows how farming can function in harmony with the soil, plants and animals. (MDC)

Forests for the Future

Junior High-Adult
1991/ 20 min. /VHS video/DVD 

Forests provide many riches, including wood, water, wildlife, wilderness, and recreation. This film shows how Missouri forests are managed with multiple uses and long-term conservation in mind. (MDC)

The Snakes' Tale

Elementary-Adult
1988/ 20 min. /VHS video 

Myths about snakes abound, but the truth about them is just as intriguing. This film shows how snakes mate, give birth and feed; how they protect themselves from danger; and how they sense the world around them. Richard Kiley narrates this award-winning production that focuses on Missouri snakes. (MDC)

Stamp of Character

High School-Adult
1995/ 23 min. /VHS video/DVD 


The 1920s come alive again through this archival black and white footage of the last railroad tie drive made on the Black River by the T. J. Moss Tie Company of St. Louis. Intense manual labor, animal-powered wagons, steam-driven loaders and the creosote-treating process are featured. This sound-enhanced footage provides a unique look at the process of manufacturing a railroad cross tie during a period when forests covered two-thirds of the state. (MDC)

Our Wild Inheritance

Elementary-Adult
1976/ 22 min. /VHS video

The bountiful wildlife we have in Missouri today consists of animals and plants that have been able to adjust to the many changes brought about by civilization. This film shows 66 species of animals that have lived or still live in Missouri. (MDC)

Fishing Missouri

Elementary-Adult
1990/ 20 min. /VHS video 


Explore the pleasures of fishing found in Missouri! Special underwater scenes add an exciting new dimension to the fun of fishing our streams, rivers, ponds and reservoirs. (MDC)

Butterflies

Elementary-Adult
1988/ 10 min. /VHS video

Dynamic nature photography shows the fascinating changes butterflies undergo in a life cycle. Their feeding habits and use of camouflage are also explored.

Blooming Secrets

Upper Elementary-Adult
1986/ 16 min. /VHS video 

In woodlands, on prairies and on glades, spring wildflowers have developed an amazing array of survival strategies. This film explores how the flowers use pollen, nectar, color and form to enlist the aid of insects, as well as birds, in their annual rush for life. (MDC)


Guarding Our

Living Environment

Upper Elementary-Adult
1983/ 26 min. /VHS video


A narrative by Marlin Perkins opens this story about a modern conservation department's mission to keep people in harmony with the environment through wise use and management of our natural resources. (MDC)

Time Shadows: Encounter With the Whitetail

Upper Elementary-Adult
1987/ 24 min. /VHS video 

The Department of Conservation began reintroducing white-tailed deer to Missouri in 1937. Few animals can match the success of the deer's return. This film considers the experiences of a farmer, a hunter and a biologist to show how we are affecting deer today. For urban and rural audiences. (MDC)

Streams: The Force of Life

Junior High-Adult
1993/ 20 min. /VHS video 


A stream carries life, moves life, gives life to the earth. Learn the dynamics of Missouri's streams and rivers and see the unusual animals and plants they support. (MDC)

Missouri Otter Story

Elementary-High School
45 min.


This video is a satellite broadcast of Glenn Chambers' otter show and is hosted by Kipp Woods. Glenn introduces Missouri's otter program and some of the current challenges of managing otter populations. At the end Glenn shows otters Splash and Slide while discussing their biology. Watch them swim in their pool as questions and answers are called into the program. (MDC)

Back to the Wild

Upper Elementary-Adult
1997/ 30 min. /VHS video 


Soar through the skies with giant Canada geese, leap through fields and woods with white-tailed deer and journey underwater with river otters and the magical paddlefish—an ancient survivor from the days of dinosaurs. "Back to the Wild" tells the incredible tale of the return of seven animals that had nearly vanished from Missouri. Stunning cinematography offers an up-close, rare and colorful look into their wild world. (MDC)

Creating an Urban Oasis

Junior High-Adult
1992/ 20 min. /VHS video 

Trees can make a big difference in city life. Keeping them thriving in an urban environment, though, can be a real challenge. Learn from a variety of Missourians what you can do to enhance trees in your town or city. (MDC)

Missouri's Tallgrass Prairie: An American Original

Junior High-Adult
2001/ 49 min. /VHS video/DVD 


Journey into Missouri's tallgrass prairies, a colorful world teeming with life. Explore the story of these rare and special lands with original music and narrative verse read by James Earl Jones. (MDC)

Waterfowl for the Future

High School-Adult
1988/ 16 min. /VHS video


This presentation outlines the North American Waterfowl Management Plan and describes the cooperation between state agencies, private groups, and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The Spirit of Conservation

Elementary-Adult
2001/ 27 min. /VHS video 


Explore the history of the conservation movement in Missouri. It's a story that still lives in the memories of the men and women who worked so hard to preserve our natural resources. Host Kipp Woods retraces the grassroots efforts and successes of conservation in Missouri since the early 1900s. As you'll see, we've come a long way. (MDC)

Natural Adventures Close to Home: Kansas City

High School-Adult
2002/ 21 min. /VHS video 


This program features aerial and up-close views, activities and facilities for 11 MDC areas within a 2-hour drive of Kansas City. The video is loaded with information about hiking, hunting, fishing, floating, wildlife viewing and more. (MDC)

Natural Adventures Close to Home: Springfield

High School-Adult
2003/ 28 min. /VHS video 

This program features aerial and up-close views, activities and facilities for 12 MDC areas within a 2-hour drive of Springfield. The video is loaded with information about hiking, hunting, fishing, floating, wildlife viewing and more. (MDC)

Natural Adventures Close to Home: St. Louis

High School-Adult
2001/ 24 min. /VHS video 

This program features aerial and up-close views, activities and facilities for 12 MDC areas within a 2-hour drive of St. Louis. The video is loaded with information about hunting and wildlife viewing, special landscape features, trails, concessions, shooting ranges and interpretive sites. (MDC)

Bowhunting: A Timeless Tradition

Adult
1991/ 15 min. /VHS video

From the experiences of two young hunters, learn a code of ethical standards, as well as the basic knowledge (personal safety, equipment and technique), which make bowhunting an enjoyable sport.

Missouri 1804 —

Lewis and Clark Expedition

Elementary-Adult
2001/ 27 min. /VHS video/DVD 

Explore the Missouri River as it is today and 200 years ago. Host Kipp Woods retraces the journey of Lewis and Clark and compares that Missouri to the one we know today. (MDC)

Lewis & Clark —

Corps of Discovery in Missouri

Elementary-Adult
2001/ 27 min. /VHS video/DVD 

President Thomas Jefferson brokered the greatest land deal in history—The Louisiana Purchase. For \$15 million, it doubled the size of the United States, but the lands to the west were shrouded in mystery. Jefferson's instruments of discovery were two exceptional men, Meriwether Lewis and William Clark. Explore Missouri like never before through the eyes of Lewis and Clark. (MDC)

Bats: Myth & Reality

Upper Elementary-Adult
1985/ 16 min. /VHS video

This still-image video will introduce you to more than 40 species of bats worldwide. You'll see their amazing variety, beauty and sophistication as they catch prey, pollinate flowers and feast on fruits. You will also discover that the bat's fearsome reputation is based on myth, not reality.

Balancing Nature

Adult
1996/ 28 min. /VHS video

Journey with Senator Beck as she investigates how we might protect animals in the wild. Her investigation takes her to a veterinarian's office, the state's fish and wildlife agency, a sheep ranch and a beaver dam where she discovers emotions about trapping can run high. This video presents the differing views of her constituents, and her quest for a fair resolution of trapping issues and preservation of the delicate balance between nature and civilization.

Oldies But Goodies



The following are some of the earlier films made by the Department of Conservation. Though the style of narration and music may seem outdated, the biology presented is still relevant and of interest to many viewers.

Cottontail

Elementary-Adult
1955/ 53 min. /VHS video

The rabbit is shown to be a link in nature's web of life—a creature that is prey for almost every meat-eater, including human beings and their pets. The camera follows a rabbit family, along with other creatures that share its range, through the seasons. (MDC)

Deer Hunting in Missouri

Junior High-Adult
1976/ 14 min. /VHS video

Follow two white-tailed deer hunters to learn tips on courtesy, safety and outdoor ethics that form the basis of a quality hunting experience. (MDC)

A Way of Life

Upper Elementary-Adult
1957/ 27 min. /VHS video

The film presents a study of predation with a focus on an essential way of living in which all creatures take part. Through the film you'll travel into the real world of nature, where living and dying by predation is "A Way of Life." (MDC)

Headwaters

Upper Elementary-Adult
1966/ 28 min. /VHS video

The upper reaches of streams are a wonderful part of this world. But they are delicate and vulnerable environments, often assaulted unknowingly by human use of the land. The film introduces the "citizens" of this unique world, featuring the smallmouth bass, and shows how these creatures live and die in a small community. (MDC)

More Than Trees

Upper Elementary-Adult
1976/ 30 min. /VHS video

Explore the delicate and hidden relationships of forest plants and animals. You'll see the cycle of life in the forest, both above and below ground, throughout the year. (MDC)

Fishing Small Lakes

Upper Elementary-High School
1975/ 12 min. /VHS video

Learn the basics of fishing for bluegill, bass and channel catfish in small lakes and ponds. Also provided are tips on the groundwork for a successful fishing trip. (MDC)

Family Life of Birds

Upper Elementary-Adult
1964/ 20 min. /VHS video

Bird family life is the focus, from spring courtship to winter habits. Representative species are treated in detail to show differences in courtship, nest-building locations, hatching, care of young, special adaptations to the bird's way of life, and what happens to the family unit after the young reach maturity. (MDC)

This is the Mallard

Upper Elementary-Adult
1963/ 44 min. /VHS video

The camera follows this game bird from north to south through the seasons of the year, showing its habits and life history. The narration reveals the problems the mallard faces and poses to the concerned conservationist. Emphasis is on the importance of this continent's wetlands. (MDC)

Return of the Wild Turkey

Upper Elementary-Adult
1970/ 30 min. /VHS video

The return of the wild turkey to much of the nation's woodlands is one of the more successful game management stories. This film traces the revival of these majestic birds and reviews the many problems which beset turkeys and threaten their habitat. (MDC)

Downstream

Middle Elementary-Adult
1969/ 30 min. /VHS video

Through the eyes of a canoeist, discover many of the clear, swift streams of the Ozarks and the heritage we might lose if they are destroyed through misuse of land and water. (MDC)

Bobwhite Through the Year

Upper Elementary-Adult
1953/ 48 min. /VHS video

The central theme of this film is the quail's dependence on our use of the land. It shows the effects of food, cover, weather, predation and other factors, beginning with spring nesting season and following the birds through the rest of the year's cycle. (MDC)

Wild Chorus

Elementary-Adult
1973/ 42 min. /VHS video

"Wild Chorus" is a study of the motion and vocabulary of the Canada goose. The goose can be seen on its wintering grounds in Missouri, as well as in its migration to breeding grounds on the west coast of Hudson Bay. (MDC)

Slide Shows

Originally produced as slide shows, these videos are available for loan in VHS video format only.

Prairie Dancers

Upper Elementary-Adult
1986/ 10:30 min. /VHS video


This program features Missouri's tall-grass prairies, discusses our changing land use and highlights the lifestyle of the prairie chicken, which depends on the few remaining prairie lands in the state. (MDC)

Agents in the Making

Junior High-Adult
1991/ 18:30 min. /VHS video

Follow a class of trainees as they take to the rivers, fields, and woods to learn the many skills they'll need as future conservation agents. (MDC)

Grandin: The Big Mill and Tall Timber

Junior High-Adult
1991/ 24 min. /VHS video/DVD 

In the late 1800s, the Ozarks were home to the largest sawmill in the nation. This story shows the people who worked there, how they lived, and what they left behind. (MDC)

Bring 'Em Back

Junior High-Adult
1989/ 17 min. /VHS video

Restoring wildlife species that were once abundant is one of the many goals of the Department of Conservation. White-tailed deer, wild turkey, giant Canada geese, river otters, beaver, ruffed grouse, trumpeter swans and bald eagles are colorfully featured, with a description of reintroduction efforts. (MDC)

Bats of America

Junior High-Adult
1990/ 14:28 min. /VHS video

This presentation reveals that, despite common myths and superstitions, bats can be appreciated as fascinating and highly beneficial animals.



Stream Sense

High School-Adult
1990/ 19 min. /VHS video

Explore the complex nature of streams, how they function, and how to improve them. Successful and unsuccessful methods designed to solve stream problems are examined, along with five management "rules of thumb." Designed for landowners who have streamside property and others interested in the future of Missouri streams. (MDC)

Jewels of the Ozarks

Junior High-Adult
1984/ 22:20 min. /VHS video

Journey into the hidden world of Ozark streams through the spectacular underwater photography of William Roston. Five stream habitats—headwater, spring branch, pool, riffle and backwater—are investigated, revealing the underwater lives of animals such as the rainbow darter, water penny and homyhead chub. (MDC)

Wasted Waters

Junior High-Adult
1984/ 13:30 min. /VHS video

"Wasted Waters" is a look at one of our oldest problems—water pollution. (MDC)

Backyard Wildlife

Elementary-Adult
1985/ 11 :30 min. /VHS video

Learn to enhance your yard for wildlife by providing the right blend of food, cover and water. Birds, butterflies, mammals, reptiles and amphibians are highlighted, with organized plan and "benign neglect" methods of growing a backyard wildlife area. (MDC)

Voices of Missouri's Toads and Frogs

Elementary-Adult
1985/ 16 min. /VHS video

Learn about 17 toads and frogs native to Missouri—what they look like, where they live, how they live and the unusual sounds they make. (MDC)

Especially for Children



Although many movies in this catalogue appeal to children, these productions were made specifically for youngsters ages 4 to 9, with some for ages 4 to 6.

Fabulous Wetlands

Upper Elementary-Jr. High
1989/ 7 min. /VHS video

“Fabulous Wetlands” is a video targeting upper elementary or junior high school children. A wacky scientist presents wetland facts in a funny, upbeat way using “kid language.” While standing in wetlands, he explains what they are and why they’re important.

Down on the Forest Floor

Kindergarten-Third Grade
1991/ 14:30 min. /VHS video

How does the forest floor get a new carpet every year? Why do spring wildflowers come up so early and disappear so quickly! How do different plants and animals survive the changing seasons? Discover the answers to these questions as we explore the constantly changing forest.

What’s in Your Backyard?

Kindergarten-Third Grade
1991/ 12 min. /VHS video

The investigation of the world around us can be one of the most exciting activities an individual of any age can pursue, and you don’t have to travel to some exotic location for the experience. Many fascinating discoveries are as close as your own backyard.

Best of Missouri Outdoors, Vol. 1-Mixed Bag

High School-Adult
1998/ 42 min. /VHS video

It’s the TV show that brings the great outdoors indoors. Join host Kipp Woods and discover some of the most scenic natural areas, wildest creatures and interesting people in the Show-Me state. Featuring stories about caving, otters, logging in the Ozarks, the making of Missouri Outdoors and more. (MDC)

Best of Missouri Outdoors, Vol. 2-Endangered Species

High School-Adult
2001/ 43 min. /VHS video

Join host Kipp Woods and discover some of the most scenic natural areas and wildest creatures. Take a look at some of Missouri’s endangered species, and see what’s being done to keep them from disappearing. Featuring: endangered birds, prairie chickens, wolves, bats and massasauga rattlesnakes. (MDC)

Plants and Life on Earth

Kindergarten-Third Grade
1992/ 15 min. /VHS video

A group of children build a unique graphic illustration of our environment by putting together a giant jigsaw puzzle, with each piece depicting an element of the environment. The result is an information-filled video that explains the importance of plants in our lives.

Very Elementary Bats

Kindergarten-Fourth Grade
1992/ 7 min. /VHS video

Children are naturally curious about bats. This still-image video will introduce them to the diversity of bats and help to dispel myths associated with these mammals.

What is Pollination?

Kindergarten-Third Grade
1992/ 16 min. /VHS video

Students will have a ball watching the kids in this video pollinating plants and observing bees, butterflies, moths and hummingbirds at work.

The Story of the Woodland Stream

Kindergarten-Third Grade
1991/ 14:45 min. /VHS video

Where does the water in streams, rivers and lakes come from? Where does it go? What kinds of effects does the water have on the earth and its inhabitants? Good questions. Learn the basic facts about the water cycle and erosion as we explore a woodland stream.

How Plants Get Food

Kindergarten
Third Grade 1992/ 17 min. /VHS video

Carbon dioxide...oxygen...chlorophyll... photosynthesis. These are complex words explained in a bright, entertaining way as students learn the basics of how plants make their own food.

My First Nature Video

Kindergarten and up
1992/ 40 min. /VHS video

A fascinating inside look at nature’s wonders. Twelve activities immerse children in the realm of natural sciences—from the birds in the air to the worms beneath our feet.

The Puzzle of the Rotting Log

Kindergarten-Third Grade
1991/ 12 min. /VHS video

Follow an enthusiastic group through the woods as they discover nature’s decomposers—fungi, worms and bacteria—and how new life springs from decomposed matter in nature’s recycling system.

How Plants Live in Different Places

Kindergarten-Third Grade
1992/ 17 min. /VHS video

Most plants need light, air, water and soil to grow. But what about plants that live in places where those things are hard to get? In this video a group of children explore different plant habitats to discover why plants grow where they do.

The Secret of the Pond

Kindergarten-Third Grade
1991/ 12 min. /VHS video

In the "Secret of the Pond," a lively group of eight-year-olds follow their guide and discover a number of interesting and unique life forms, as well as one of the oldest secrets in the world.

How Plants Grow

Kindergarten-Third Grade
1992/ 17 min. /VHS video

Enthusiastic youngsters conduct a controlled experiment to learn how seeds germinate. Look inside a lima bean to see what seeds are really like and follow a plant's life cycle from seed to seed again.

Smokey Bear

Elementary
17 min. /VHS video

This is a documentary of "Smokey," the forest fire-preventing bear, for the elementary grades. Smokey was rescued in 1950 from a New Mexico forest fire and went on to become one of the best-known symbols in America. The video covers four important causes of forest fires: campfires, smoking, debris-burning and children playing with matches.

Life in the City Habitat

Kindergarten-Third Grade
1991/ 13:45 min. /VHS video

While cities and towns were built for people to live in, a number of other organisms have come to share their space. Discover organisms that have adapted to life in the city, and learn how those creatures survive in a habitat originally built for people.

Critter Rock

Preschool-Elementary
2000/ VHS video

Ribbit and roll with naturalist Jan Syrigos to original toe-tappin' nature tunes. This swingin' music video has six of your award-winning Critter Rock favorites. (MDC)

How Seeds Get Here... and There

Kindergarten-Third Grade
1992/ 16 min. /VHS video

How did that weed get in the garden? Why do dandelions pop up in different places? How do plants spread from one place to another? Come with us on a fascinating field trip as a group of children discover how seeds move.

Habitactics

A new CD-ROM for ages 8-13 (and for adults who are kids at heart). Habitactics is really two conservation games in one. In the short game, you match species to their most important habitats. Special video and sound clips really make the animals come alive!

In the long game, you're challenged to conserve land near a city. Bio-diversity is the key—it's up to you to enhance the variety of life that's found in each of the six habitats by using the best tools possible. As you do, you can learn more about each new animal or plant.

Format: The new CD-ROM includes formats for both Macintosh and Windows 95/98 DOS systems. (MDC)

A Children's Story of Smokey Bear

Kindergarten-Third Grade
12 min. /VHS video


Doc and Ranger Larry, along with the help of some of Smokey's friends, tell the story of the great fire of 1950 and how Smokey Bear came to be.

Smokey & His Friends

Pre-school-First Grade
12 min. /VHS video


Marionettes tell young children the basics of how to prevent forest fires.

Keep the Balance

Third-Eighth Grade
1998/ 30 min. /VHS video 


This program offers a fun and entertaining look at why we manage our fish, forest and wildlife resources in the state of Missouri. Through the journey of two girls who set out to learn about conservation so they can make a video, we see the importance of our natural resources and how and why we balance populations. Along the way, viewers will see a lot of interesting animals, test their knowledge with games and quizzes, and see exciting glimpses of conservation in action. Colorful graphics, special camera effects, music and sound effects give the program a contemporary look and pace. (MDC)

Just Kiddin' Around, Vol. 1

Elementary-Adult
1998/ 23 min. /VHS video 


Join kids as they explore the world of insects. Experience a retriever hunt test or go canoeing for the first time. Participate in a conservation club designed just for them! Learn to identify birds and animals by the sounds they make and much, much more! (MDC)

Just Kiddin' Around, Vol. 2

High School-Adult
2001/ 23 min. /VHS video 

Join kids as they take a shot at outdoor photography . . . as well as clay pigeons. Also, learn about least terns, trumpeter swans, prairie chickens, box turtles and much more. (MDC)

Just Kiddin' Around, Vol. 3

High School-Adult
2002/ 21 min. /VHS video 

Join students from Sullivan as they explore Missouri's most mysterious habitat: caves! Along the way, learn more about cave history, cave mapping and the spookiest of cave creatures, the bat! (MDC)

TV Story Collection



Missouri Outdoors, the half-hour TV series produced by the Department of Conservation, has been on the air seasonally throughout Missouri since 1988. The videotapes listed here present topical collections of the stories which have appeared on various episodes.

Birding and Backyard Wildlife (52:49)

Backyard Birding
Hummingbirder
Breeding Bird Atlas
Backyard Wildlife
Dealing with Snakes
Urban Squirrels
K.C. Early Birders Program
Christmas Bird Count
Backyard Habitat
Baby Animals
Naturescaping

Caves (45:53)

Endangered Bats
(Indiana and gray bats)
Ozark Underground Laboratory
A Day in a Cave
Taking Inventory
For Adults Only Program
Conservation Kids Club
Cave Mapping
Caving with Springfield Teen Club
Cave History on Missouri

Dogs and Hunting (24:25)

Training Coon Dogs
Foot Hunting Field Trials
Retriever Field Trials
Retriever Field Trials II
Horse/Dog Trials

Disabled Opportunities (57:33)

Disabled Fishing Opportunities
Universal Access
Disabled Hunter
Hearing Impaired
Missouri Deaf Bass Anglers
Disabled Archer/Millie Foster
Big Bluegill (wheelchair angler)
Blind Reverend Angler
One-armed Archer
Urban Garden for Disabled
KC Hearing Impaired Program
Turkey Hunt for Disabled Hunters

Fisheries Management I (43:57)

Paho Catfish Roundup
Blue Catfish Tagging
Fish Stocking
Paddlefish
Shepherd of the Hills Hatchery
Chesapeake Hatchery
Creel Clerk
Crustacean Calculation
Wranglers of the Deep
Community Assistance Lake Program
Farm Pond Stocking

Fisheries Management II (49:43)

Muskie
Pallid Sturgeon
Big Bluegill
Wild Rainbow Trout
Tagging White Bass
Water Quality Testing
Phoning Home: Restoring the Pallid
Missouri Hatcheries
Crappie Radio Tagged Research
Fish Farming (Tilapia)
Trout Eggs—West Plains Class
Spotted Bass Regulations
Lost Valley Hatchery

Wildlife Management/ Wildlife I (47:47)

Wild Turkey
Quail Census
Bugged Birds (quail)
Pheasant Release Program
Bowhunters: Furbearer Survey
Urban Squirrels
Wildlife Damage Control
Deer Management
Bear Necessities (black bear)
Otter Release
Otter and Falcon Restoration

Wildlife Management/ Wildlife II (56:30)

Pheasant Release Update
Restoring the Grouse
Deer Research
Urban Geese Problems
Otters: They're Back!
Turkey Trapping/Broods
Deer Reflector Research
Deer Neighbors (Town & Country)
Too Many Deer
Urban Goose Problems II
Frog/Grouse/Forestry Management

Urban Forestry (26:21)

Tree Planting
Arbor Day
Front Yard Forestry
Urban Arborist Contest
Backyard Tree Farms
Day in the Forest

Outdoor Activities I (41:21)

Underwater Photographer
Psychology of a Trail
Ozark Trail Day
Fall Color
White Water Racing
Float Trip/Canoeing Safety
Horseback Riding
Springfield Nature Center
Hearing Impaired
Summer Pests

Outdoor Activities II (37:55)

White Water Race 2
Ozark Glade Day
Ozark Mountain Paddlers
Planning an Outdoor Outing
Ozark Greenways
Becoming an Outdoorswoman
Rock Arrowheads

Outdoor Activities III (32:22)

Vulture Venture
Passport to Adventure
Insect-O-Rama
Fireflies
Outdoor Activities in Missouri
Friday Night Live
Missouri by Bike

Eagles (23:25)

Eagle Days
Eagle Hacking
Mid-Winter Eagle Count
If I Were an Eagle
Nesting Eagles
Eagle Days in Clarksville

Fishing: Lures, Rods & Other Gear (17:11)

Making Wooden Lures
Rainbow Lures
Rod Wrapping
Antique Fishing Lures

Fishing I (43:34)

Walleye Fishing
Hybrid Bass
Hooked on Bass
Muskie Fishing
Urban Fishing for Kids
MO Anglers/Fishing Class
Urban Winter Trout Fishing
A Cool Catch—Winter Fishing
Universal Access
Disabled Fishing Opportunities

Fishing II (44:07)

Big Fish Record Program
Belly Boating
Trout Opener
Pro-Bass (tournament)
Old Time Fishing Tourney
Old Man River
(commercial fisherman)
Mussel Fishing
Sucker Grabbin'
Missouri Deaf Bass Anglers
Catch & Release

Fishing III (54:45)

Truman Lake Anglerettes
European Carp Fishing
School of Fly Fishing
Big Bluegill
Blind Rev: Spirit of Fishing
Paddlefish Snaggers
Bowfishing
Table Rock Crappie
Grass Carp Catcher
Prairie Catfishing

Fishing IV (20:33)

Walleye Fishing on Norfolk
Taneycomo's Brown Trout
Fish Handling Tips
The Art of Catch & Release
Commercial Fisherman

Rivers & Streams I (51:04)

Stream Patrol
Fat Pocketbook Mussel
Stream Corridor Management
Float Trip/Canoeing Safety
Upper Mississippi Wetlands
Urban Stream Team
Wooden Workhorse (johnboat)
Crustacean Calculation
Surviving the Rat Race
(muskrats and water quality)
Mississippi River Monitoring

Rivers & Streams II (53:45)

Zebra Mussels
Blue Holes
Storm Drain Stenciling
Canoeing Northern Missouri
Lewis & Clark
Amazonia Flood Project
Blue Holes II
Big Muddy
Big River Boating Safety

Protection &

Law Enforcement I (32:48)

Stream Patrol
Urban Agent
Operation Game Thief
Decoy Deer
Agent Training
St. Louis Conservation Agent
History of Conservation Agents

Protection &

Law Enforcement II (25:30)

Deer Check Point
Decoy Deer II
Day with an Agent
Agent Training II
Quail Survey with Agent

Missouri Department of Conservation (49:27)

Land Donation/Robert White
Missouri Conservationist Magazine
Magazine Writer/Joel Vance
Engineering
Springfield Nature Center Volunteers
Natural History/John Wylie
Donation/Young and Shipman
Air Squadron
Making of Missouri Outdoors
MDC on the Internet

Wildlife Management/ Natural History I (42:48)

Turtles in Trouble
Show-Me Snakes
Dance of Life (spring courtship)
Roadside Raptor (kestrels)
Bird Banding
Breeding Bird Atlas
Great Blue Herons
Baby Birds
Watchable Wildlife

Wildlife Management/ Natural History II (50:00)

Spiders
Wildlife Ecologist
Collared Lizard Round-up
Armadillos
Wasps
Prothonotary Warblers
Osprey
Flying Squirrels
Urban Bats
Dolphin Defenders
(urban youth and conservation)
Urban Boy Scouts
Otis at Mason Ridge
St. Louis Teacher

Wildlife Management/ Natural History III (46:38)

Bat Research
Mice!
White Squirrels
Wood Ducks
Wildlife Rumors
Ozark Wildlife Center
St. Louis Wildlife Rescue Center
Wildlife of Missouri
Raptor Rehab
Mountain Lion Mystery



TV Story Collection (Continued)



Wildlife Art I (51:32)

Eileen Melton/Trout Stamp
Cahill the Woodcarver
Wood Mosaics
Waterfowl Stamp
Drawing Attention/artist David Plank
Carving Niche
Stained Glass Artist
Duck Stamp Competition
Wildlife Woodcarver
Wildlife Artist Conference

Wildlife Art II (34:33)

Junior Duck Stamp
Wildlife Paper Artist
The Wild Life of Painter Al Agnew
Chainsaw Sculptor
Vinyl Artist—Pam Hoyt
Birdhouse Builder

Hunting Safety and Equipment I (45:00)

Shooting Range Safety
Hunter Education
Steel Shot
Gun Restoration
Back to the Bow
Modern Muzzleloaders
Gunstocks
Hunter Education Couples

Hunting Safety and Equipment II (6:53)

Firearms Safety (Women & Kids)
FATS (Firearms Training System)

Hunting 1 (41:56)

Pheasant Hunting
Rabbit Hunting
Sport of Kings (falconry)
Talk Turkey
Game Calling
Frog Hunting
Historic Weapons Hunt
Disabled Hunter
Universal Access

Hunting II (18:34)

Sporting Chance (clay pigeons)
Sporting Clays
Taxidermy
Celebrity Turkey Hunt

Hunting III (51:59)

Quail Hunting Doctor
3-D Archery
Sparta High School Sharp Shooters
Champion Clay Shooter
Schwarz Taxidermy Store
Taxidermist Barb Boschert
Youth Deer Hunt
Szott Brothers Turkey Hunt
Potosi Turkey Calling Contest
Goose Hunting Close to Home

Hunting IV (21:33)

Quail Hunt—A Family Affair
Teal Hunt at Eagle Bluffs
Share the Harvest
Youth Hunter Ed Challenge
KC Urban Deer Hunt

Fighting Fires (24:65)

Aerial Fire Fighting
Fired Up Volunteers
Operation Forest Arson
Fire Patrol Pilot
Fire Simulator

Trapping (7:39)

Fur Auction
Fur Trapping

Wood/Forest Products I (42:28)

Missouri Black Walnuts
Walnut Research
Gunstocks
Red Cedar Processing
Red Cedar Products
Christmas Tree Farming
Veneer Processing
Scrap Wood Solution
Firewood: Cutting & Burning
Wooden Workhorse (johnboat)

Wood/Forest Products II (39:54)

Barrel Making
Charcoal Production
Hickory Handle Making
Hickory Handicraft
White Oak Basketry
Maple Syrup Tradition
Steam Sawmill
Sawsmith
Saw Doctor

Wood/Forest Products III (42:45)

Hardwood Heirlooms
Legend Longbows
Gun Case Maker
Worldwide Wooden Barrels
Maple Syrup II
Lebold Walnut Tree Farm
Forest Products on Private Land
Logging History of Ozarks
Walnut Wishes (AgriForestry)

Outdoor Education/Kids and Conservation I (45:12)

Outdoor Education
Missouri Anglers/Urban Fishing Class
Urban Fishing for Kids
Conservation Honors
Sherry Straiting Profile
Outdoor Classroom/Teachers' Camp

Outdoor Education/Kids and Conservation II (53:07)

Springfield Nature Center Volunteers
Night Walk
St. Louis Garden-Inch by Inch
Mrs. Missouri and Otis
Frontiers Program
Nature Caboose
Natural Resources Camp
K. C. Urban Youth Corp
St. Peters Outdoor Classrooms
Urban Garden for the Disabled

Outdoor Education/Kids and Conservation III (40:37)

Sedalia Outdoor Classroom
St. Louis Urban Education
Explorers Post
Looking at the Past
School Partnership Program
YouthBuild Program
Conservation Books

Outdoor Education/Kids and Conservation IV (42:28)

Fishin' Magicians
Hannibal FFA & Wildlife
Bringing Nature to You
(Carolyn Sorrell)
WOW
Camp Coyote
Conservation Quiz
Conservation Quiz #2
Conservation Quiz #3
Project WET, WILD and
Learning Tree

Plants, Flowers & Places I (45:28)

Ginseng
Wort Cuning
Butterfly Gardening
Morel Mushroom Festival
Shiitake Mushrooms
Purple Loosestrife
Natural Feature Inventory/Glades
Hughes Mountain Natural Area
Springfield Nature Center
Sinkhole Ponds

Plants, Flowers & Places II (57:18)

Natural Features Inventory-Prairies
Natural Dyes
Wildflowers
Glade Burn
Musk Thistle Weevil
Nature Centers
Natural Divisions
Morel Madness
Water & Light Music Tour

Plants, Flowers & Places III (36:37)

Blue Spring Dive
Shiitake Mushrooms II
Operation Brightside
Amidon: The Seasons
Kids & Seasons
Shannon County Treasures
Design in Nature
Columbia Bottom

Waterfowl & Wetlands I (45:32)

Day on a Marsh
Duck Days
Goose Roundup
Glenn & His Geese
Upper Mississippi Wetlands
Grand Pass Wildlife Area
Waterfowl Viewing
Private Wetlands
Aerial Waterfowl Survey
Steel Shot

Waterfowl & Wetlands II (39:28)

Working Decoys
Waterfowl Stamp
Purple Loosestrife
Universal Access
Duck Stamp Competition
Resident Canada Geese
Chopper-Goose Roundup
Shorebirds

Prairies (41:09)

Prairie Days
Private Prairie Restoration
Prairie Planting
Prairie Burn
Prairie Chickens
Natural Features Inventory-Prairies
Prairie Chicken Ranch
K. C. Prairie Day

Endangered/Rare Species I (44:00)

Trumpeter Swans
Endangered Bats
(Indiana and gray bats)
Least Tern
Fat Pocketbook Mussel
Peregrine Rehabilitation
Alligator Snapper
Black Bears
Prairie Chickens
Niangua Darters
Bats

Endangered/Rare Species II (25:21)

Otter Release
Endangered Species
(bladderpod and cave fish)
Hellbenders
Pallid Sturgeon
Otter and Falcon Restoration
Alligator Snapper Trapper
World Bird Sanctuary
Least Tern Update
Tracking the Pallid Sturgeon

Endangered/Rare Species III (24:12)

Massasauga Rattlesnake
Fat Pocketbook Mussel II
Trumpeter Swans II
Wolf Sanctuary
Peregrine Falcon Hacking
(Springfield)
Topeka Shiner

Forestry Research and Practices I (44:03)

Satellite Imagery
State Tree Farm
Forest Plotting
Rainforest Research
Walnut Research
CCC Camps
Powell Tour
Tree Farm
Scouting Report (urban boy scouts)

Forestry Research and Practices II (35:20)

Tree Rings
Tree Doctor
MOFEP
Licking Tree Nursery
Family Tree Farm
Mulelogging
Columbia Tree Farmer

Forestry Research and Practices III (49:10)

Logging: A Clean Cut
State Champion Trees
Fall Colors
Restoring the Land After the Flood
Bugs on the Forest Floor
Northern Missouri Forest Study
Flood Damaged Trees
Attack of the Gypsy Moth
Project Learning Tree

Forestry Research and Practices IV (10:20)

St. Louis Tree Jamboree
Forestkeepers

Profiles I (47:46)

What's Cooking/Lillie Hall
Wildlife Calls/Ralph Duren
Fishing/Tom Shipley
Deer Hunter/Bud Abbott
Disabled Archer/Millie Foster
Schoolcraft's Journey
Indian Folklore
80-year-old Archer/Aileen Hatch
One-armed Archer/C. Walker
Outdoor Communicator/Kathy Etling

Profiles II (17:07)

Conservationist Dick West
(WWII Pilot)
Otter Father Glenn Chambers
Volunteer Mary Phillips
Jim Noah's Golden Heart

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