

RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE LAND RECLAMATION COMMISSION
DEVELOPING STRONG GRAVEL MINING REGULATIONS TO PROTECT
MISSOURI STREAM AND RIVER QUALITY, MINIMIZE STREAM EROSION,
AND ENHANCE MISSOURI WATER QUALITY

WHEREAS, many counties in Missouri are rich with clear streams and rivers that enhance the states natural beauty which help bring in tourism revenue to even the states most rural areas and,

WHEREAS, unregulated gravel mining will cause irreparable damage to those clear streams and rivers and,

WHEREAS, unregulated gravel mining causes serious land erosion, has a detrimental affect on streamside wildlife and fisheries resources, while at the same time undermining the states water quality regulations and,

WHEREAS, allowing unregulated gravel mining would have an negative economic impact on the state of Missouri through the loss of tourism dollars, loss of revenue from the states resident anglers, hunters, and outdoor enthusiasts and,

WHEREAS, unregulated gravel mining will increase the states and counties costs in repairing erosion and flood damage to our highways, county roads and rural roads, and

WHEREAS, increased costs maintaining the state, county and municipal water quality will result in a higher tax burden to the residents of Missouri,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Missouri Smallmouth Alliance is in support of strong gravel mining regulations to protect the Rivers and Streams of Missouri.