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#### CEPM launches new website

CEPM launched a new website in April. The site continues to house all our publications and project information. Please come visit us, check out our resources and meet our staff

at http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/r-

#### **New Farmers' Market Practice Guide**

CEPM has published a new practice guide, "Growing a Farmers' Market in Your Neighborhood: Recommendations for Success." Many communities throughout the region are seeking to establish or improve a farmers' market in order to secure a fresh, local source of food and to support local farmers. This practice guide offers recommendations on market management, from finding a location and market manager to establishing market rules. In addition, issues such as finding farmers to provide produce and developing a market base are also addressed. This guide presents common problems that markets face and additional ideas to enhance a community farmers' market. The role that markets can play in "food deserts" is also addressed with suggestions for making markets accessible to residents of low-income neighborhoods. You can find this practice guide

at http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/rl-ihtydyy-l-yd/.

### 18th Street Corridor

## Infrastructure Website



CEPM is supporting Louisville Metro's Brownfields Assessment Grant. By tapping into the broad-based stakeholder community, CEPM is working to ensure meaningful community engagement and assist Metro Louisville in communicating about the city Brownfields Programs for assessments and clean-ups. In

February, March and April, CEPM facilitated three meetings to collect community knowledge of, and concerns about, sites along the 18th Street Corridor from Broadway to Algonquin. The meetings also served as a time to gather ideas for future reuse of those sites and articulate community needs and desires in the corridor. We have established a facebook page to continue to provide information about the corridor, serve as a place for continued discussion about sites along the corridor, and keep stakeholders informed about Metro Louisville's brownfields activities and support in the area. Visit us at

http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/r-l-ihtydyy-l-yh/. We will also post relevant documents on our new website at http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/r-l-ihtydyy-l-yk/.

# US EPA Region 4 Site Assessment Workshop May 22-24, 2012, in Louisville, Kentucky

The U.S. EPA Region 4 Site Assessment Workshop will be held in Louisville on May 22-24, 2012 at the Galt House. The purpose of the workshop is to provide training and an opportunity for the sharing of information about new and changing approaches and policies that affect Region 4 assessment activities, primarily Superfund site assessment. More information to follow.

National Forum for Black Public Administrators Leadership Institute hosted at U of L



The University of Louisville welcomed the National Forum for Black Public Administrators Leadership Institute, Class of 2011/2012 for a multi-day training March 28-31. The Center was proud to introduce luncheon speaker, EPA Region 4 Regional Administrator Gwen Keyes Fleming. The Center also led an interactive workshop about developing sustainable communities with the institute participants.

#### **Useful Resources from Other Publications**

Journal of Agriculture, Food Systems, and Community Development: SPECIAL TOPIC ISSUE: "PLANNERS COMING TO THE TABLE"

In this issue, "Planners Coming to the Table," articles focus on how the planning community has come in recent years to embrace food systems as a legitimate focus of their profession. This is a watershed event, since planners are trained to provide systematic analyses and process skills to opportunities and challenges faced by communities — things all too often lacking in agriculture and food system work. Visit

http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/r-l-ihtydyy-l-yu/ for a complete list of papers available online.

"Accounting for Nature's Benefits: The Dollar Value of Ecosystem Services"

Heatlhy ecosystems provide many benefits such as regulating atmospheric concentrations of oxygen and carbon dioxide, reducing the spread of disease

and moderating climate. In this article, author David C. Holtzman discusses the work done to date to put an economic value on the services provided by ecosystems. Read the full article at

http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/r-l-ihtydyy-l-jl/.

## It's Our Environment: EPA's Blog about Our World

How Can You Help Environmental Justice Communities Create an Oasis in a Food Desert? by Ann Carroll

http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/r-l-ihtydyy-l-jy/

## **Easier Access to Community-Based Grants**

EPA has made it easier for communities to access their community-based grant resources at <a href="http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/r-lihtydyy-l-jt/">http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/r-lihtydyy-l-jt/</a>

For the first time, the EPA website includes a calendar of upcoming grant opportunities in 2012 to help communities address environmental challenges. This page will be updated periodically to reflect upcoming EPA grant opportunities. In addition, EPA is offering a Grants 101 Tutorial to assist communities in understanding the grants process.

EPA welcomes comments about how they can make this resource more helpful. "Contact them" at

http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/r-l-ihtydyy-l-ji/.

## **US EPA Wetland Program Development Grants Region V**

Wetland Program Development Grants (WPDGs) provide eligible applicants an opportunity to conduct and promote the coordination and acceleration of research, investigations, experiments, training, demonstrations, surveys, and studies relating to the causes, effects, extent, prevention, reduction, and elimination of water pollution. For a full description of this funding opportunity,

visit: http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/r-l-ihtydyy-l-jh/

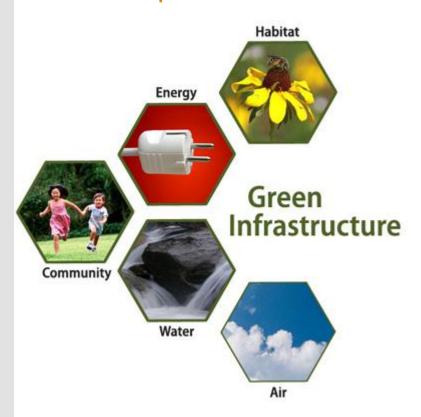
#### **Natural Resources Defense Council Launches**

## **Extreme Weather Mapping Tool**

The National Resource Defense Council (NRDC) has developed an interactive mapping tool that tracks extreme weather events in each state to help people draw connections between climate change and extreme weather in their communities. With heat, rainfall, and snow records being broken throughout the country, this mapping tool allows people to learn more about climate change and weather.

NRDC's Extreme Weather Map is available online at: http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/r-l-ihtydyy-l-ju/.

## **EPA Launches Updated Green Infrastructure Website**



The EPA has unveiled a new website to provide information and resources on the Green Infrastructure Program. The website provides links to tools developed by government agencies, nonprofits, academia, and the private sector. Resources include case studies, a library of policies and plans, and links to research on green infrastructure.

The EPA Green Infrastructure website is available at: http://centerforenvironmentalpolicyandmanagement.createsend1.com/t/r-

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