



# STREAMGRAM

## Action Needed to Help Streams

### Monofilament Recycling Bins Available for Stream Teams

**P**ure Fishing (Berkeley) recycles used monofilament fishing line and turns it into underwater fish structures, tackle boxes, and other fishing related items. The Stream Team Program partnered with Berkeley in the fall of 2005 to recycle used fishing line and remove it from the environment. Used fishing line poses a hazard to people, wildlife, the environment, and even boat props, which makes this an important project for all of us.

**S**tream Team volunteers embraced the Monofilament Recovery and Recycling Program (MRRP). When the Program first started in Missouri, Stream Teams were asked to build their own recycling bins and maintain them on a regular basis. Fifty PVC recycling bins were built by Stream Team volunteers and placed at community lakes, river accesses, and public fishing areas. Recently, a grant has enabled the program to produce 150 PVC recycling bins and we are now offering them completely assembled to Stream Team members who have the passion and the commitment to become an MRRP monitor.

**I**n order to keep track of bins that will be located throughout the state, the Stream Team Program will need a pledge from you to maintain the bins. To help us keep accurate records and to be sure you understand the obligation you are accepting regarding the MRRP sites you maintain, please read the information below.



#### What it takes to get involved in this important program:

1. Obtain permission from the Area Manager of any MDC Accesses, Parks and Recreation Superintendent for city lakes or accesses, private land owners, or any entity with the authority to allow the installation of a bin on the property in order to establish an outdoor bin site.
2. Completely fill out and return the Missouri **\*Monofilament Recovery and Recycling Program Volunteer Agreement** and indicate how many bins you want.
3. Maintain the bin by emptying it one or two times a month (or more often if needed, especially during peak fishing seasons).
4. Complete an Activity Report each time the bin is emptied. Activity Reports are available in every issue of our *Channels* newsletter, online at [www.mostreamteam.org](http://www.mostreamteam.org), or hard copies can be mailed to you upon request. Send completed Activity Reports to: Missouri Stream Team, PO Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0180.
5. Mail collected and cleaned (remove vegetation, lead, hooks, debris, etc.) monofilament line only to: Pure Fishing Inc., 1900 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Spirit Lake, IA 51360-1041, or find an MRRP indoor receptacle/mailling box at a participating fishing and sporting goods store in your community.

\* The **Monofilament Recovery and Recycling Program Volunteer Agreement** can be found online at: [www.mostreamteam.org](http://www.mostreamteam.org) or call 1-800-781-1989 (voice mail) to request one.



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