



## MISSOURI S&T'S ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

*Missouri S&T's Environmental Management System (EMS) covers the administrative, education and research activities in a comprehensive, planned and documented manner. It includes the organizational structure, planning and resources for developing, implementing and maintaining policy for environmental protection.*

### Missouri S&T Sustainability Policy:

Missouri S&T will adopt an integrated approach that weighs the social, environmental, and economic consequences of strategic decisions that will lead to the sustainable growth of our institution. As we evaluate strategic opportunities, we should consider these three questions:

- ✓ Is it good for our people?
- ✓ Is it good for our planet?
- ✓ Is it good for the economic viability of our university?

Please see the complete policy at: <http://ems.mst.edu/sustainabilitypolicy/>

### Missouri S&T Sustainability Policy Implementation:

Missouri S&T will:

- ✓ Develop 5-year sustainability goals that will be reviewed and reported annually.
- ✓ Create an institutional culture of sustainability by incorporating sustainability principals into the campus strategic plan.
- ✓ Provide education and active demonstration of sustainable practice to faculty, staff, students and members of the surrounding communities.
- ✓ Follow the guidelines of the American College & University Presidents' Climate Commitment (ACUPCC) to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases.
- ✓ Demonstrate transparency through publication of the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education Sustainability Tracking, Assessment and Rating System (AASHE STARS)

### Advantages of an EMS:

- ✓ Establishes goals to reduce Missouri S&T's impact on the environment
- ✓ Ensures continual compliance with federal, state and local environmental regulations
- ✓ Acknowledges the need for continual improvement and change
- ✓ Incorporates conservational awareness into all levels and functions of the university
- ✓ Displays Missouri S&T's environmental stewardship to the surrounding community

### Missouri S&T and the Environment:

- ✓ One of the nation's premier research universities for over 135 years.
- ✓ First university in the nation and second in the world to obtain ISO 14001 certification for a campus wide EMS in June 2001
- ✓ ISO 14001 is the widely accepted international standard for environmental management systems which defines the environmental responsibilities of all employees and students and requires top management to provide the necessary resources to ensure continual environmental improvement.

