



# Callaway County Connector

June 4, 2009  
Open House  
Public Meeting



# What is an Environmental Assessment?

An Environmental Assessment (EA) is a federally required process designed to help communities and public agencies make decisions about public investments. It also documents the decision-making process.



The Callaway County Connector EA will look at what could be done to improve transportation in southeastern Callaway County. It will also examine the potential impacts of those improvements on homes, businesses, farms, historic sites, communities and nature, as well as costs and feasibility.



## Steps in completing an EA:

1. Establish goals (formally know as "Purpose and Need")
2. Evaluate current and future transportation needs
3. Develop concepts for transportation improvements
4. Evaluate the impacts of those improvements and make any refinements
5. Recommend needed and appropriate transportation improvements to the community
6. Receive final approval from the Federal Highway Administration

### Preliminary Schedule

Winter 2008 / Spring 2009

Summer 2009

Fall 2009

Late 2009 /  
Early 2010

### Public Input



April 29, 2009



June 4, 2009

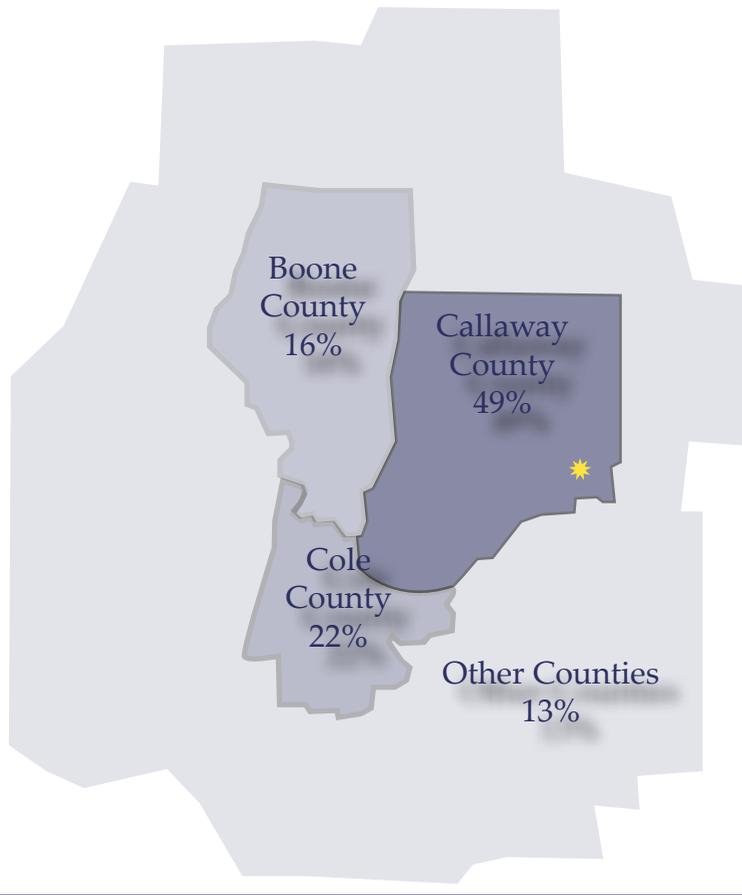


Fall 2009



# How does the Callaway Plant fit into this study?

## *Percent of Callaway Plant Employees Residing in Missouri Counties*



AmerenUE announced on April 23, 2009 that they are suspending efforts to build a second nuclear-powered generating unit at the Callaway Plant. Whether or not that suspension is permanent is a decision to be made by AmerenUE at some point in the future.

With or without expansion, the Callaway Plant is a major source of traffic in the area as 800+ people drive to and from work each day. Where traffic goes to — and comes from — is an important part in the development of potential solutions, and in the evaluation process.

The Callaway County Connector EA is looking at the impacts of existing and future traffic, and if and how improvements could make travel safer, more efficient and more reliable.

*Note: Questions and comments about Callaway Plant operations have been forwarded to AmerenUE. The Callaway County Connector study is about local transportation needs, not specific activities at the Callaway Plant.*