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COUNTY INFORMATION SYSTEMS SEEKS PUBLIC FEEDBACK ON GIS BETA MAP

ST. CHARLES COUNTY, MO – The public is encouraged to provide feedback to St. Charles County Government on a beta, or test, version of a new Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Mapping Service that will greatly improve how users are able to access data and view imagery. The current GIS Mapping Service, located at map.sccmo.org, launched in 2017.

“Public feedback from a variety of individuals and organizations is an extremely important part of this process,” says Matthew Seeds, Director of Information Systems. “The GIS map enables users to access map-based data and research information about the county and is an important reference tool for not only County and municipal governments, but the entire community. We want to hear from those who will use this new map so we can make certain we are providing the tools they need.”

The beta map is available at maps.sccmo.org/public_web_map/preview. Users can click on the survey link at the top of the beta map (“Give Feedback Here”) to provide feedback and follow tutorials to test and evaluate various tools within the site.

The beta map features a fresh, new look and includes:

- Integrated Pictometry Imagery that allows for 360 views anywhere in the county. Similar to Google Street View, this is the first time the County’s GIS map has utilized this imagery.
- Mobile friendly and responsive design.
- Improved data download capability.

Both the current and beta GIS maps can be used by the community in a variety of ways:

- The maps automatically open to a County-wide map with county and municipal boundaries and jurisdictions labeled. This allows users to better understand the layout and landscape of the county. Municipalities are color-coded and unincorporated areas are in beige. Users can zoom in to see roads and other thoroughfares in detail.
- When searching for a home or business property in the area, users can access assessment and parcel data by simply entering the address of a location.
- Residents can learn more about the county through various selections available under the “Layers” option on the mapping service. Available data includes voting districts, County Council districts, boundaries for school districts and utility service providers, zoning information, park trails, physical features and topography, and more. Maps with the selected data can be printed by users at their home or office.

The beta map survey will be available through Tuesday, Sept. 8, 2020. For questions about the beta map, please email gisservices@sccmo.org.

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About St. Charles County:

Founded in 1812, St. Charles County is one of the fastest growing counties in Missouri, and the state's third largest county in both population and economic share. It is home to 16 scenic county parks encompassing more than 3,645 acres with additional land under development and more in reserve for future development.

With a population of 402,022, St Charles County is home to large employers including General Motors, Citi, MasterCard Worldwide and Boeing. It is ranked among the top 25 counties in the nation in high-tech job growth by the Progressive Policy Institute and consistently has the lowest unemployment rate in the Metropolitan St. Louis area.

St. Charles County Government employs nearly 1,100 in more than 30 departments and offices, who work to make the county an excellent place to live, work and shop. For more information, please visit sccmo.org.