

## Announcement: NEW Online Learning Center



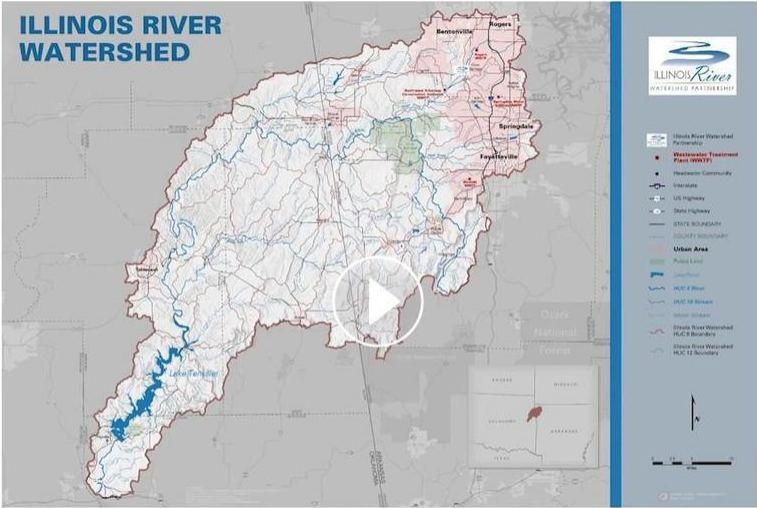
## Our Online Learning Center Launch

[LEARNING WILL GO ON! DESPITE COVID-19, WE AT IRWP HAVE BEEN HARD AT WORK.](#)

For the next 4 weeks, we will be presenting the most pressing topics to our [local water quality in Northwest Arkansas and Eastern Oklahoma](#). Check your inbox weekly and click the social icons at the bottom to follow our roll-out on Facebook and Instagram.

# IRWP ONLINE *learning* CENTER

New to this? Get caught up with our introduction and overview video:



The image shows a map of the Illinois River Watershed. The map is titled "ILLINOIS RIVER WATERSHED" in the top left corner. A large white play button is centered over the map, indicating a video player. To the right of the map is a legend with various symbols and labels. The legend includes: Illinois River Watershed Partnership logo, Illinois River Watershed Partnership, Watershed Treatment Plant (WTP), Metropolitan Community, Interstate, US Highway, State Highway, STATE BOUNDARY, COUNTY BOUNDARY, Urban Area, Population, Land Use, MFC of Basin, MFC of Basin, Water Stream, Illinois River Watershed HUC 8 Boundary, and Illinois River Watershed HUC 10 Boundary. Below the map, there is a blue banner with the text "Illinois River Watershed" on the left and the Illinois River Watershed Partnership logo on the right.

## This Week's Topics



## Land Conservation

Why do we conserve land? How can I conserve my land? And where can I go to find out more? The resources on this page introduce the concepts behind land conservation, as well as provide a description of how it gets done.

## Riparian Buffers

Riparian Buffers act as the rivers' front line defense against pollution. Visit this page to get an overview of riparian buffers and stream function, take the course on buffers, and learn our recommended BMP for improving and maintaining a riparian buffer.



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