

RUNOFF ROUNDUP

December 2021



KEEPING IT CLEAN AT JOHN H. SUTTON PARK

On November 21, 2021, the City of Norman partnered with volunteers from the University of Oklahoma to pick-up trash at John H. Sutton Park. Despite the chilly conditions, the 22 volunteers were able to collect 144 pounds of trash!

BUILDER'S CORNER

Did you know that the greatest water pollution threat from construction sites is sediment discharge from the site to the storm drains? As we move into winter, make sure that your stabilization measures have been maintained to reduce possible erosion from your site. Loose mulch (using wood chips, straw, or compost), erosion control blankets (ECBs), and hydromulch are common stabilization techniques. And remember, seeding alone does not constitute temporary or permanent stabilization!

The Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality's construction general permit for stormwater discharges from construction activities (OKR10) will expire on October 17, 2022. Keep an eye out for the proposed draft sometime in mid-2022.



CITY OF NORMAN STAFF UPDATES

Many changes have happened during 2021 including some new faces in the City of Norman Stormwater Division. On November 9, Michelle Chao started as the new Stormwater Program Specialist and on December 7, Jason Murphy started as the new Stormwater Program Manager.



JASON MURPHY
*Stormwater Program
Manager*

Jason has a background in water quality monitoring including monitoring for stormwater, total maximum

daily load (TMDL) development, compliance relating to hydroelectric dams, as well as bio-monitoring, and ambient trend networks.

MICHELLE CHAO

*Stormwater Program
Specialist*

Michelle has a background in regulator compliance for construction, industrial, and municipal stormwater, as well as municipal wastewater and stormwater permitting.



RECYCLE THE RAIN

If you are interested in purchasing a rain barrel, the Central Oklahoma Stormwater (COSWA) is hosting it's annual rain barrel promotion. The rain barrels are made from re-purposed food-grade barrels and include a mosquito screen, spigot, and overflow valve. Rain barrels can be purchased for \$63.50. Orders can be made online at: <https://upcycle-products.com/ok-programs/nm/>

Order Deadlines

By mail: March 20, 2022

Online: March 27, 2022

Pick-Up

668 E. Lindsey Street

April 1 @ 4- 6 PM

April 2 @ 9 AM - 1 PM



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