



Oklahoma Water
Resources Center

Currents

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An Introduction

We are pleased to introduce our inaugural issue of *Currents*, a semi-monthly communication vehicle to our newsletter listserv members.

The staff of the Oklahoma Water Resources Center is always looking for ways to communicate more effectively and efficiently with you, our readers and partners. We are considering changing our communication with you from a quarterly newsletter to semi-monthly *Currents* and a biannual *AQUAhoman*. We hope more frequent, stream-lined communication will allow us to be more responsive to your interests, helping you take advantage of more opportunities.

As always, we welcome your thoughts and any suggestions for improvements.

Summer Board Meeting

On July 14th, our Water Research Advisory Board met and selected 13 pre-proposals from the 37 submitted to continue to the full proposal stage of the USGS 104(b) Competitive Research Grants Program. We are excited to learn more about the projects these faculty and students have developed to meet the needs of Oklahoma.

During the meeting we were treated to a tour of the Tulsa Port of Catoosa. Thanks to Deidre Smith and Sheila Shook (and our driver!) for enduring the hurricane-force wind and rain to make it happen! [\[Read more about our Board here.\]](#)



Opportunities

Funding

- **USACE-Institute for Water Resources RFP** (due 8/26/2016)
 - [\[more info\]](#)
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Events

- NSF-REU Seminar on Stream Restoration and Rehabilitation (AGH 106; 8/2, 3-5)
- GIS Tools for Watershed Education (Hinton, OK: 9/23)
- Ground Water Protection Council Annual Forum (Orlando, FL; 9/11-14)
- Big 12 Water Conference - Navigating the FEW Nexus ... (Baylor Univ.; 9/25-28)
- **2016 Governor's Water Conference and Research Symposium** (Norman; 10/11-12)
 - Guidelines for Oral and Poster Presentations at the 2016 Water Research Symposium are now available. **Abstracts are being accepted through 8/31.**
- Potable Reuse Summit (Skirvin in OKC; 10/17-18)
- American Water Resources Association (Orlando, FL; 11/13-17)
- Southern Division of the American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting (OKC; 2/2-5/2017)
- [\[more info\]](#)

Employment

- Arboretum Director (University of Wisconsin; closes August 15, 2016)
- Assistant Professor in Urban Soil and Water Quality (UF; closes 8/15)
- Assistant Professor of Agricultural Engineering (UF; closes 8/30)
- Multiple Positions (Water, Environment and Sustainability; OU)
- USDA-ARS Postdoctoral Research Associate
- [\[more info\]](#)

Just For Students

- **Student participation at the Water Research Symposium**
 - Students may present in either the oral or poster program.
 - Students presenting posters will automatically be entered into the poster contest, which gives cash prizes to the top poster presenters.
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 - **Abstracts are being accepted through August 31, 2016.**
- **Student Affiliate Program**
 - We are excited to announce a new opportunity for **OSU** students: the Student Affiliate (StAff) Program.
 - StAff will partner with the Center to promote its activities and generate products for the Center's faculty and stakeholders while highlighting their talents.
 - Sign up at water.okstate.edu/students/affiliate.
 - Applications for the 2016-2017 school year are **due September 9, 2016.**

Other Resources

- Fact Sheets

 - One of our most popular fact sheets, **PSS-2917 Phosphorus and Water Quality**, has been updated.
 - **PSS-2401 Classification of Irrigation Water Quality** has been updated also.
 - Find these and more [in our library](#).
 - New videos are posted on our [Videos page](#).
 - *What is Blue-Green Algae?*
 - *Calculate Correct Amounts of Fertilizer*
 - *Proper Use of Organic Fertilizer*
 - *Interpreting the Soil Test Report*
 - *Installing a Drip Irrigation Kit*
 - We have added "The Watershed Sleuth Challenge" on our [Web links page](#) under Water Quality.
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