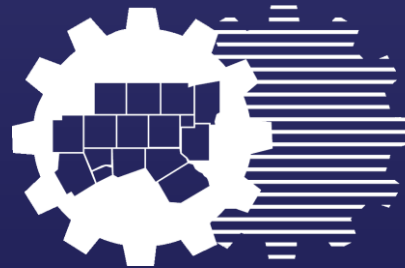


Wastewater And Treatment Education Roundtable [WATER]

Thursday, October 19, 2023



A North Central Texas Council of Governments Program

Agenda

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Welcome & Introductions



Meeting Summary

The July 20, 2023 meeting summary is available online for review.

Annual Holiday Grease Roundup Update

- Kicks off November 13th
- 33 participants confirmed
- Marketing materials available on WATER committee webpage
 - Individual flyers and web updates under development
- Deadline for participation: November 1st



Promotional Activities Update

DefendDrainsNTX
@DefendDrainsNTX

We're all part of the water cycle story! Each drop of water that flows to you must first go through cycles and treatment systems. Clogged drains can strain water treatment systems and create harmful consequences for our water.

Learn more at defendyourdrainsnorthtexas.com



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Remember the 3 Ps: the only things that should go down your toilet are Pee, Poop, and toilet Paper.

Learn more at defendyourdrainsnorthtexas.com
#DefendYourDrains #WipesBlockPipes




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Want to avoid clogs in your drains this season? Ensure you properly dispose of wipes, even those labeled as flushable, in the trash can. Find more best practices for what to put down your pipes at defendyourdrainsnorthtexas.com

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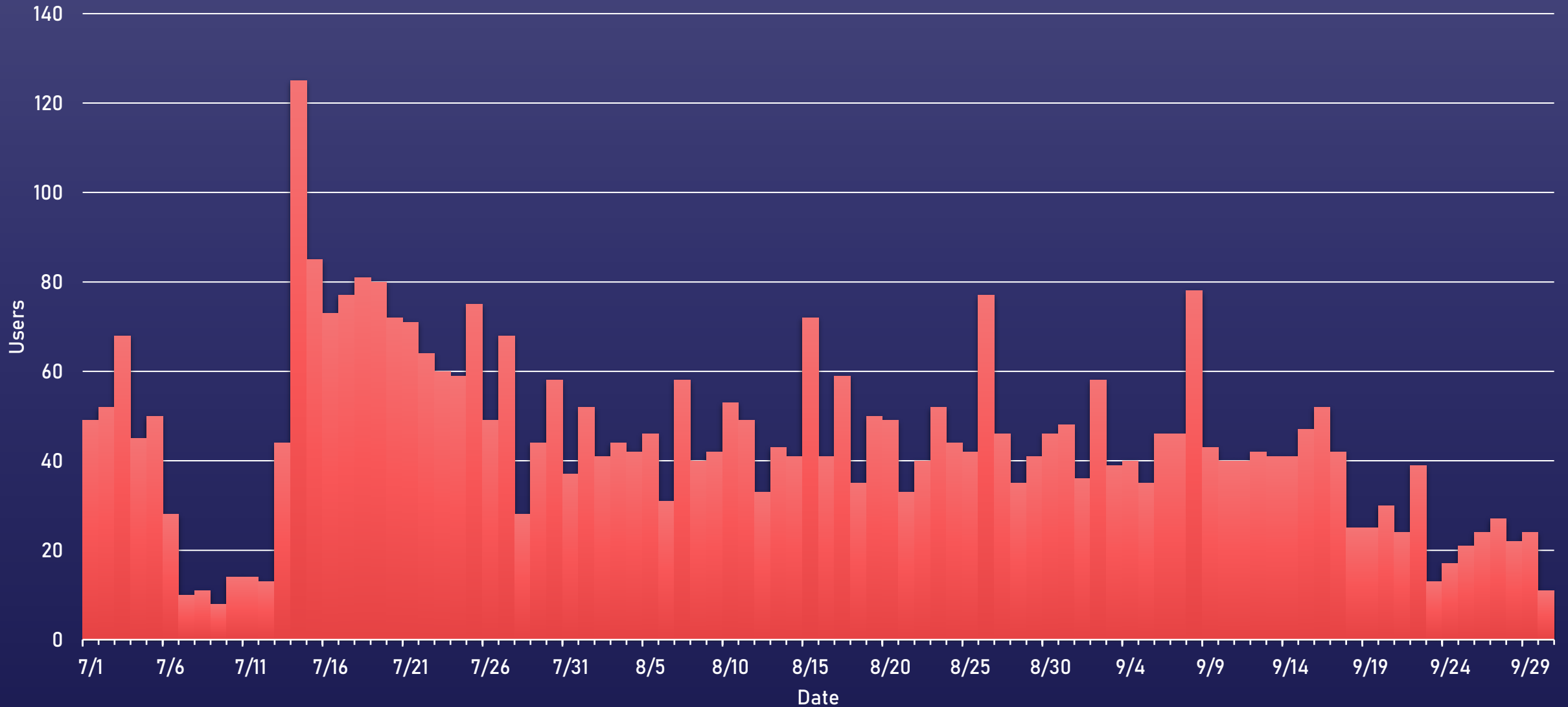
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Total Impressions	Total Engagements	Shares/Retweets	Followers/Fans
2,900	150	19	+8

Promotional Activities Update

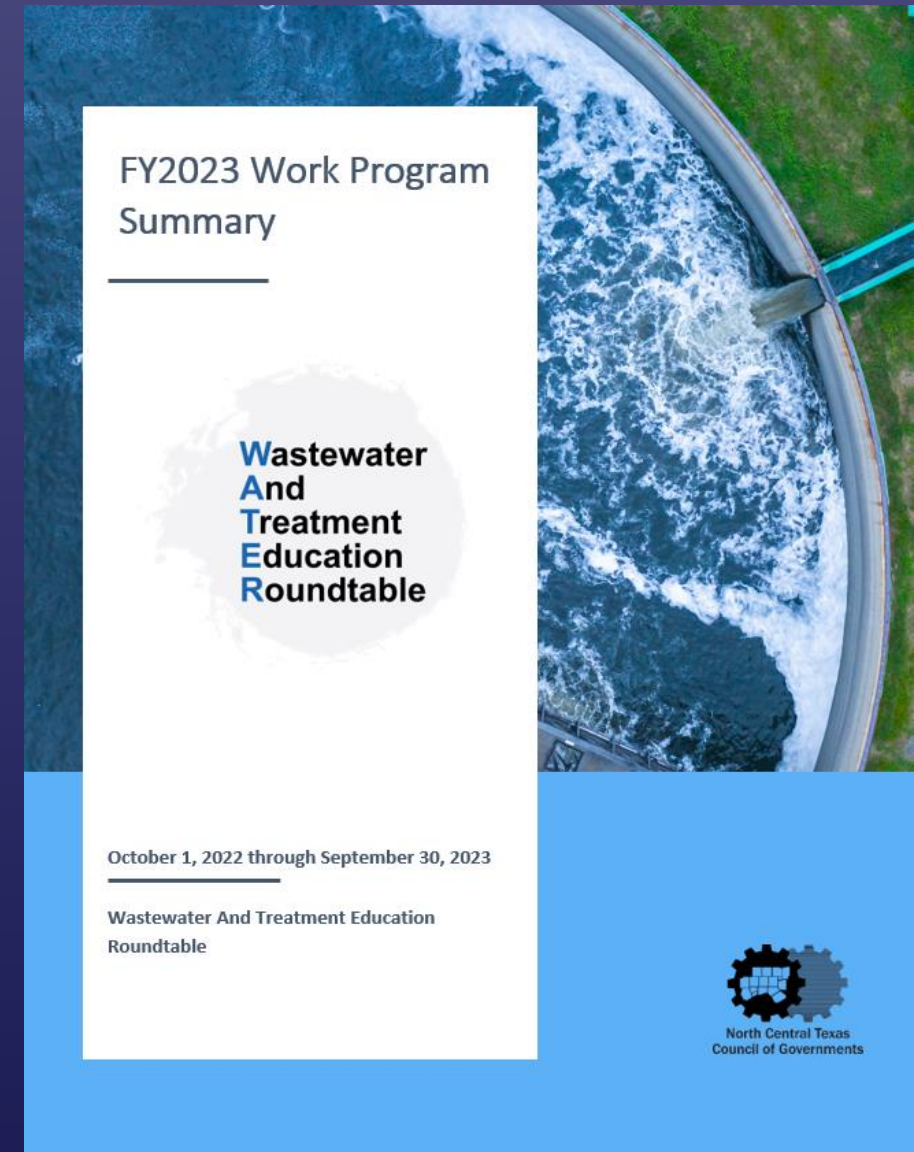
Defend Your Drains Website Analytics: July 1 – September 30, 2023

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FY2024 Work Program Discussion

- Draft FY2023 WATER Work Program Summary available online
- Highlights:
 - Continuing to grow social media presence with a total of over 750 followers on all platforms
 - Google Advertising led to a high number of users – over 18,000!
 - 14 educational explainer videos have a total of over 19,000 views
- Thank you to all FY2023 participants!!



FY2024 Work Program Discussion

- FY2024 Work Program available online for review
- 15 financial commitments received; current funded amount \$43,750
 - Budget goal of approx. \$57,200
- Seeking volunteers to participate on a small task force to discuss FY2025 cost-shares and changes to the WATER program

2022 Population (NCTCOG Estimates)	Cost
1 million+	\$7,500
750,000–999,999	\$7,000
500,000–749,999	\$6,000
350,000–499,999	\$5,000
200,000–349,999	\$4,150
100,000–199,999	\$3,250
50,000–99,999	\$2,150
25,000–49,999	\$1,400
10,000–24,999	\$1,000
Less than 10,000	\$500
Special district partners serving 1 million+	\$7,500
Special district partners serving 500,000–999,999	\$6,500
Special district partners serving 100,000–499,999	\$4,000
Special district partners serving less than 100,000	\$2,150

Note: Special district partners should use wastewater ratepayer population. A special district partner with regional systems is considered one entity.

General Updates

- Field Technician Training status – aiming to schedule for early 2024
- NCTCOG Transportation Department – Climate Pollution Reduction Grant

Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Planning Grants Overview

North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) received funds from the Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (CPRG) Planning Grants to develop a regional plan to improve air quality

NCTCOG will collaborate with local governments and the public to develop the following CPRG Planning Grants deliverables:

- Priority Climate Action Plan (PCAP) – Due March 1, 2024
- Comprehensive Climate Action Plan (CCAP) – Due Summer 2025
- Status Report – Due Summer 2027

Deliverables will be incorporated into the NCTCOG's **Dallas-Fort Worth Air Quality Improvement Plan**



Next Steps

Milestone	Date
Public Engagement Opportunities	Ongoing
One-on-One Meetings with Local Governments	October – November
CPRG Workshop	November 29, 2023
CPRG Workshop	December 13, 2023
CPRG Workshop	January 17, 2024
Collaborating Agencies Review draft PCAP	January – February
Optional Notice of Intent to Apply to CPRG Implementation Grants	February 1, 2024
CPRG Applications Due	April 1, 2024
Anticipated Award of CPRG Implementation Grants	October 2024
CCAP Due	June 17, 2025
Status Report Due	June 17, 2027



CPRG Implementation Grants Overview

\$4.3 billion available for general competition

- Individual awards will be between \$2 million and \$500 million
- EPA anticipates awarding 30-115 grants under this announcement

Eligible Applicants:

- Lead organizations that were direct recipients of CPRG planning grants
- States; Municipalities; Tribes

General competition designed to incentivize applicants to apply together

- Applications are scored based on the cumulative benefits the measures would create
- EPA will not award multiple grants to implement the same measure in the same location
- EPA anticipates awarding no more than two grants to applicants at the same level of government within a single jurisdiction (e.g., a single state, municipality, tribal area, or territory)



EPA NOFO Example Measures

Sector	Measures
Waste, Water, and Sustainable Materials Management Sector	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Standards and incentives to reduce methane emissions from landfills and wastewater treatment facilities, including collection for use or destruction- Programs and incentives to reduce or divert waste- Programs and incentives to reduce GHG emissions associated with plastic production, use, and waste management- Programs to expand composting and bio-digestion infrastructure- Programs and policies to reduce construction and demolition waste through building reuse, deconstruction, and material reuse- Installation of renewable energy and energy efficiency measures at wastewater treatment facilities



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Roundtable

What's happening in your community?



Next Meeting

Thursday, January 18, 2024 at 10 AM
Location TBD

Adjournment

Next Meeting: January 18, 2024, 10 AM

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