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City of Grimes Celebrates Stormwater Feature in Kennybrook Park

The City of Grimes is celebrating the Kennybrook Park Basin Improvement project with a ribbon cutting on Monday, October 3 at 1:30 pm. The redesigned stormwater basin in the park treats and cleans stormwater runoff.

The City recently added an observation pier and educational signage. This signage can be replaced and updated to include new, educational information related to stormwater.

“The City of Grimes is committed to reinvesting in our existing parks,” said Parks and Recreation Director Brian Becker. “The redesigned stormwater basin is a great feature to educate our residents on the importance of stormwater management.”

Stormwater runoff is the rainfall or snow melt that runs off surfaces like roads, buildings, sidewalks, or compacted ground surfaces.

Stormwater runoff will usually flow into a storm drain or a ditch leading to a wetland, lake, river, or ocean. Sometimes it is channeled into a man-made stormwater pond so the pollutants can be removed from the water before they can seep into the ground.

As communities grow, they often experience more stormwater runoff problems due to the increase in areas that don’t absorb stormwater. Rainfall and snowmelt that would normally infiltrate into the soil become runoff. This increases both the volume and rate of runoff, which leads to flooding, stream bank erosion, and potential damages to public and private property and water quality.

The City of Grimes is considering future improvements like this project for North Point Park and Shawver Park.

Kennybrook Park also includes a playground, shelter, sand volleyball and basketball court. It was constructed in 2018. The park is located at 750 SW Brookside in Grimes.

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