

WASTEWATER AND TREATMENT EDUCATION ROUNDTABLE (WATER)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2021



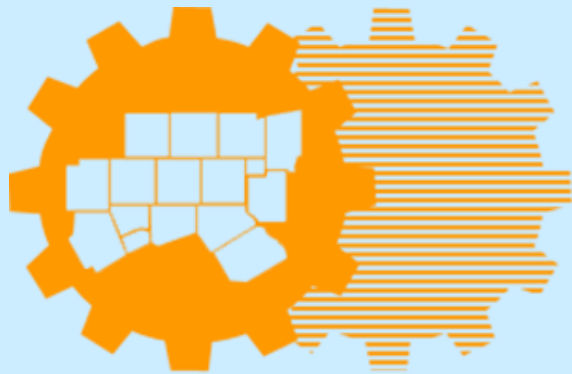
**Wastewater
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1. Welcome and Introductions



**North Central Texas
Council of Governments**



2. Meeting Summary

3. FY2021 Training Recap

- Grease Interceptor Training and Roundtable
 - Held virtually on August 5, 2021
 - 83 participants
 - A big thank you to Elijah Dorminy and Ignacio Beltran, City of Irving and Madisson Dunn, City of Southlake for presenting!
 - Training slides and recording available online:
 - [NCTCOG Presentation](#)
 - [Elijah Dorminy Presentation](#)
 - [Madisson Dunn Presentation](#)
 - [Ignacio Beltran Presentation](#)
 - [Training Recording](#)

3. FY2022 Training Discussion

- Potential Future Training Topics:
 - Grease Interceptor
 - Industrial Inspections
 - Sampling/Monitoring
- Platforms/cost for future trainings:
 - Virtual trainings
 - In person trainings (will evaluate ability to host in person trainings in January 2022)
 - Volunteer presenters v. experts?

4. Holiday Grease Roundup Discussion

- Dates: November 22, 2021 through January 10, 2022
- NCTCOG will create flyers for participants and additional promotional materials will be posted online to download and use
- American BioSource will be providing free containers and free collection of FOG again this year
 - Participants wishing to utilize American BioSource should contact Tanya Van Zandt at tanya@americanbiosource.com or Amy Van Zandt at amy@americanbiosource.com no later than November 1, 2021 to ensure the container delivery will occur prior to the start of the Holiday Grease Roundup.
- Drop off sites (both HGR only and year-round, including curbside pick up) will be posted on www.DefendYourDrainsNorthTexas.com
- 2020 HGR reported collection amount: approx. 6,700 gallons

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- New Marketing Material:



Join us for the

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2021 Holiday Grease Roundup

Recolección de Grasa de Festividades 2021

Don't pour your leftover cooking grease down the drain!
Recycle it for free instead. Find your closest drop-off
location at **www.DefendYourDrainsNorthTexas.com**.

No tire los restos de grasa de la cocina por el desagüe! Recíclela
gratis. Encuentre el punto de entrega más cercano
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 #HolidayGreaseRoundup

What Happens to the Grease?
 ¿Qué ocurre con la grasa?

We will use the collected cooking oil and grease to create biodiesel or turn it into biogas for energy production.

Vamos a utilizar el aceite de cocina recogida y grasa para crear biodiesel o convertirlo en biogás para la producción de energía.

This collection is for cooking oil and grease only. Motor oil and other automotive fluids are not accepted.

Este sitio solamente es para aceite y grasa de cocina. No se acepta aceite de motor u otros líquidos automotrices.



City Facilities for Recycling

Instalaciones de la Ciudad para reciclar

Vandergriff Park
 2800 S. Center
 Arlington TX 76014

Collection Hours / Horario de Recolección
 7 days a week
 5 AM to 11:59 PM

Cooking Grease Clogs Up The Sewer System

Fats, oils, and grease harden in pipes or sewer lines, causing blockages and major clogs. Household pipes and city sewer lines are not able to handle these materials and can lead to sewer overflows.

Don't pour grease down the drain. Pour it into a covered container, like an old coffee can, and recycle it at a drop-off.



Don't pour cooking oil down the drain. After you deep-fry food, cool the used oil. Put it into a rigid plastic container with a screw-top lid (maybe even the container the oil came in), and recycle it at a drop-off location.

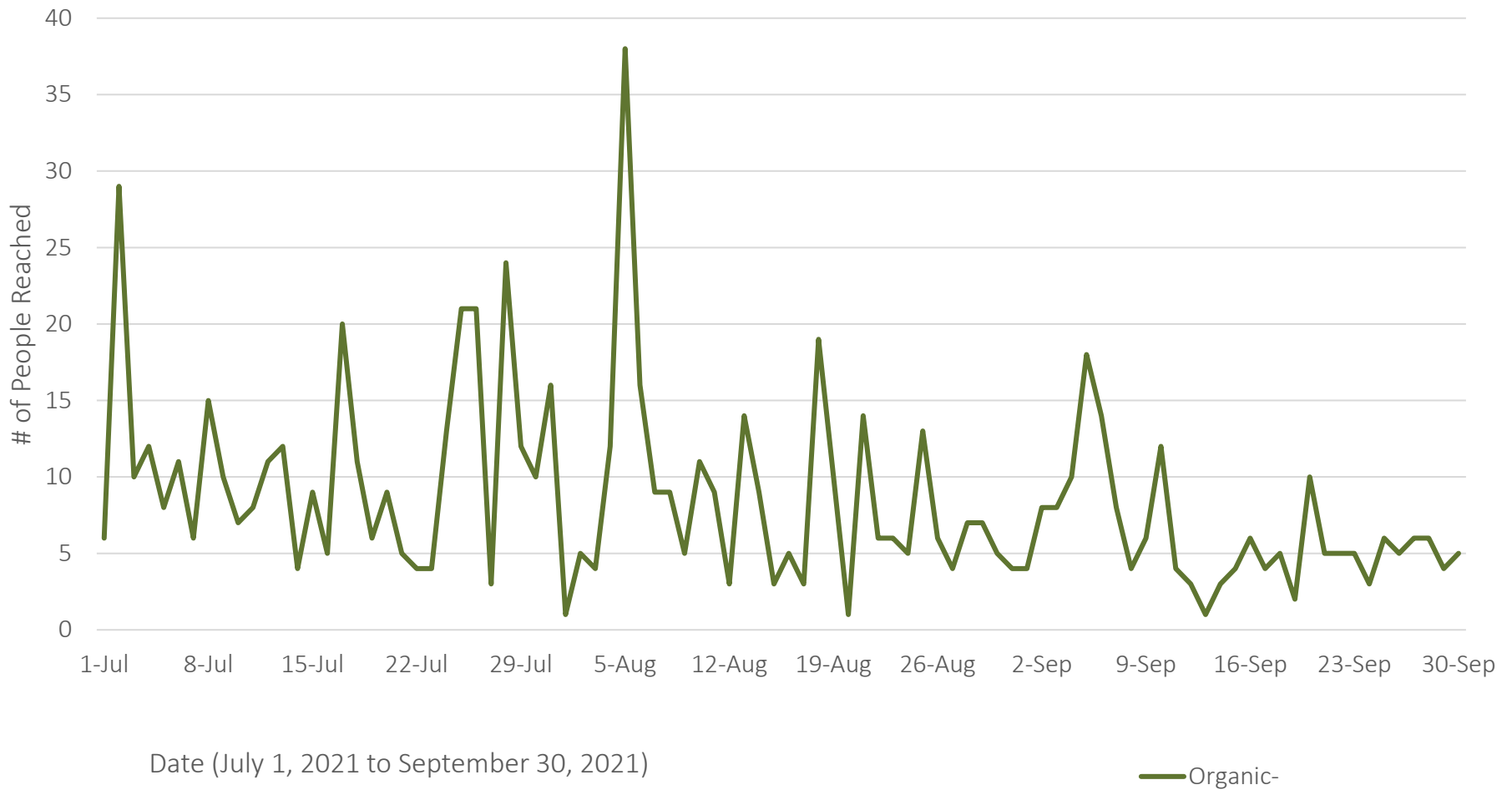
If the sewer overflows, city crews have to shut down streets, tying up traffic and increasing expenses for you and the city.

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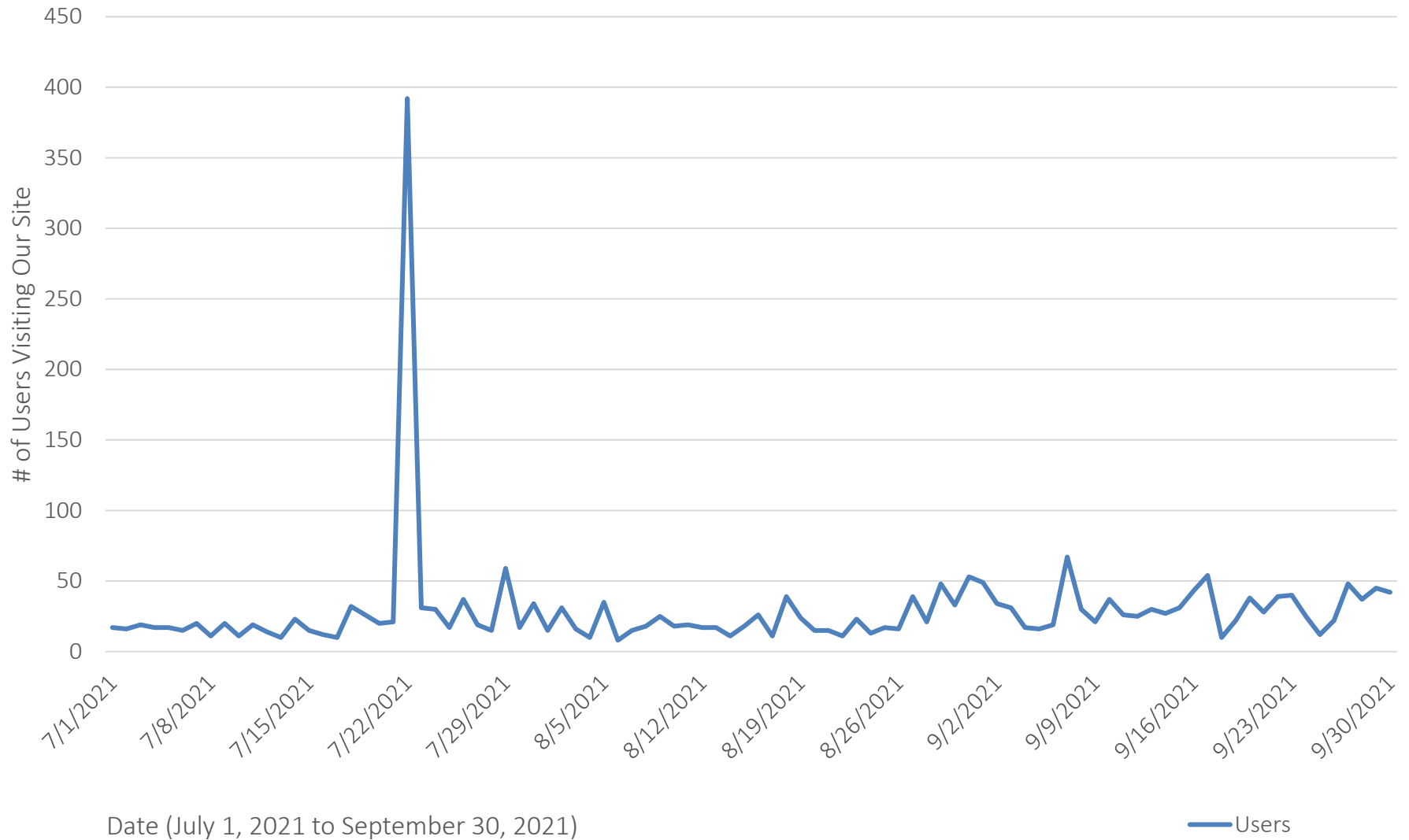


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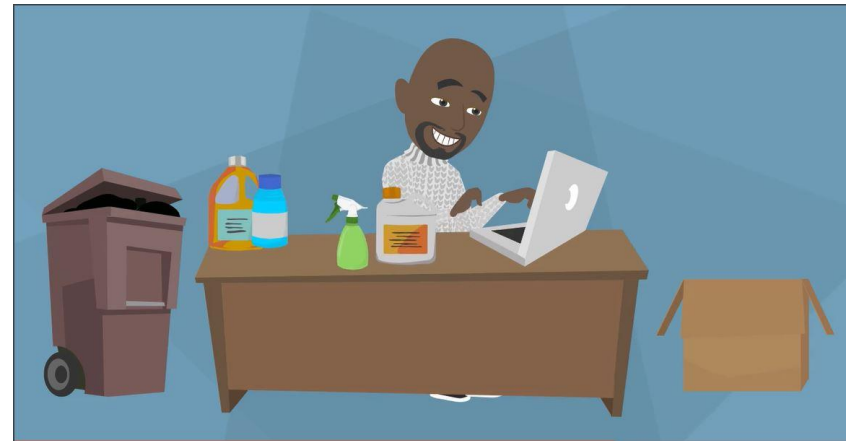
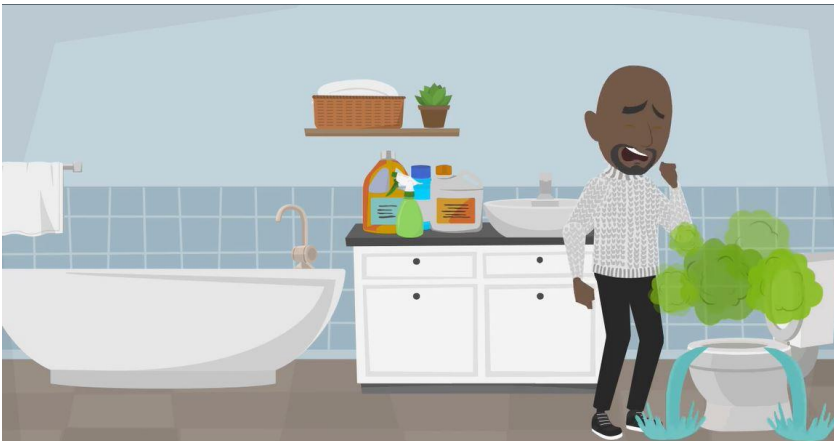
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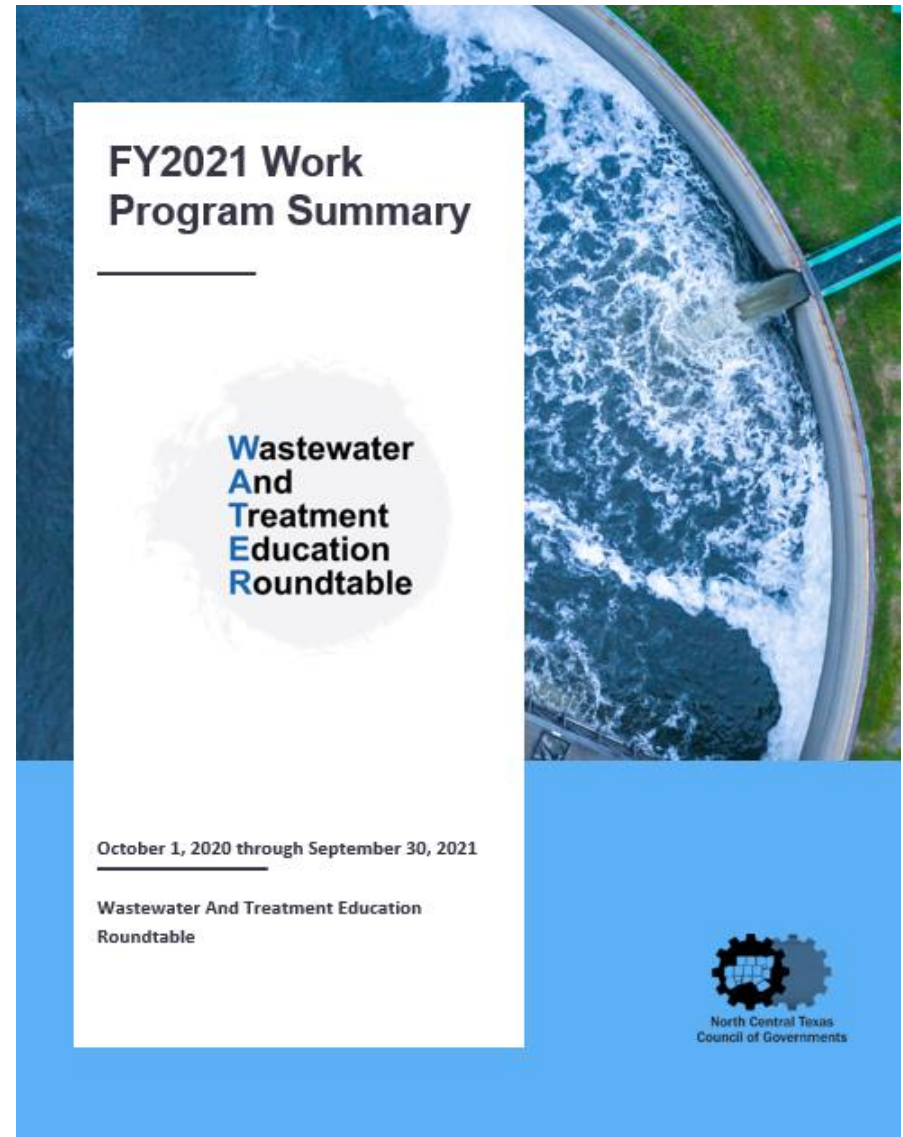
Educational Explainer Video

- *Proper Usage of Home Cleaning Products* educational explainer video available online:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8cCq4BEa3bE>
- Next video topic:
 - Holiday Grease Roundup
 - Paper towels/tissues
 - Fatbergs
 - Feminine hygiene products



6. FY2022 Work Program Priority Task Discussion

- FY2021 WATER Work Program Summary [now available online for review](#)
- Highlights from FY2021:
 - Facebook and Twitter accounts had 20% increase in followers
 - Almost 14,000 total web sessions and over 12,300 website visitors
 - Educational videos have almost 8,000 views
 - Cumulative Holiday Grease Roundup collection: 26,500 gallons of grease



6. FY2022 Work Program Priority Task Discussion

- NCTCOG began accepting FY2022 Work Program Commitments on August 18, 2021, and invoices will be sent in October 2021
- Commitment forms are available online at www.nctcog.org/envir/public-works/water-cost-share. If you require a physical commitment form, please contact Hannah Allen at hallen@nctcog.org.
- Some member benefits include:
 - Priority and discounted registration on trainings
 - Access to deliverables created for members (flyers, door hangers, brochures, etc.)
 - Access to .mp4 files of PSAs/educational videos created
 - Logo on the Defend Your Drains North Texas website
- Total Estimated Work Program Budget: approximately \$57,200
- Total Commitments Received as of 10/6/21: \$48,200 (84% of budget)
 - Thank you to Arlington, Cedar Hill, Grand Prairie, Haltom City, Irving, Lewisville, Mansfield, North Richland Hills, Plano, Richardson, Wylie, NTMWD, and TRA for your commitments!

7. General Updates

- New educational video: [*Importance of Properly Maintained Water and Wastewater Infrastructure*](#)
- Requesting feedback on TMDL Wastewater Technical Subcommittee project: [door hanger for use at apartment complexes](#) following an SSO or other blockage/issue
- [North Texas Community Cleanup Challenge](#) ends on October 31st! Reports must be submitted by November 30th
- Water Environment Association of Texas Upcoming Membership Webinar: [Stop the Block: Texas FOG and Wipes Campaigns](#) – October 28, 2021 at 9:00 AM
- Upcoming Meetings:
 - **Water Resources Council:** October 13, 2021 at 10:30 AM via Microsoft Teams

Roundtable & Next Meeting Date

8. Roundtable: What's happening in your community?

9. Next meeting date: Thursday, January 13, 2022 at 10:00 AM
Location TBD

10. Adjournment

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