

Omaha Stormwater Program Update

2025 SEC Seminar:



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Topics

- City of Omaha Staffing
- Communication
- Last year's stats and wrap up
- Site closures

Omaha Stormwater Program Management

Stormwater Program Manager:
Casey Black

Stormwater Program Coordinator:
Heaven Davis

City of Omaha-EQC Environmental Inspectors

- Charla Long – Stormwater
- Eric Grimshaw – Stormwater
- Zowie Vincent - Stormwater
- Mackenzie Rohe – Stormwater
- Craig Hayes - Stormwater
- Mark Ermeling – Sewer use fee
- Jeremiah Kobes – Sewer use fee
- Bryan Christensen – Sewer use fee
- Mara Bullock – Sewer use fee
- Shawn McCormick – Sewer Use fee
- Neil Graybill – Solid Waste
- Matt Nusser – Solid Waste
- Jeff Ryba – Air Quality

Contact list available on Permix

CITY OF Omaha 

City of Omaha Public Works - EQCD
Permixon Home Page

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Casey:
Welcome to your Permixon home page. From here you can manage your company company, your projects and permitting processes. Click on a button below to enter that module. Click on the information symbol to learn more about that that button does.
We have detected you also have an Internal (City) User login: [CLICK HERE](#) to visit your City home page.

New Project Manage Users Manage Projects

PCSMP Permit Application Linear Underground Notification Public Improvement Application Grading Permit Application

NEWS AND INFORMATION

General

[Permit & Plan Reviewer Contact List - by Jurisdiction](#)

[Permixon GIS Reference Map](#)

Visit [Permixon Tutorials](#) to learn how to use the Permixon system
Note: updated tutorials coming soon

[OmahaStormwater.org](#)
Information about the Omaha Stormwater Program, resources, & more

[Pajillion Creek Watershed Partnership \(PCWP\)](#)

[NDEP CSW Permit Website](#)

USEFUL DOCUMENTS

A list of useful documents are shown below. Click any document to view and download.

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Grading Permit Module

[PCWP Grading Permit Terms and Conditions - 2022](#)
[Grading Permit Terms 2022 Update Summary](#)
[SWPPP Site Map Preparation Guide](#)
[SWPPP Narrative Template](#)
[Grading Permit Payment Guidance](#)
[Grading Permit & Payment Form](#)
[Credit Card Authorization Form](#)
[Grading Permit Modification Form](#)

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At the bottom of the main page under "Useful Documents" We try and keep this as up-to-date as we can.

Current City Contact Information

City Of Omaha Staff Contact Sheet - Grading Permits (as of 02/01/2025)				
Phone Nubmber	Extension	Name	Email	Title
402-444-3915	1104	Bullok, Mara	mara.bullock@cityofomaha.org	Environmental Inspector
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402-444-3915	1004	Ermeling, Mark	mark.ermeling@cityofomaha.org	Environmental Inspector
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402-444-3915	1117	Graybill, Neil	neil.graybill@cityofomaha.org	Environmental Inspector
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402-444-3915	1131	Kobes, Jeremiah	jeremiah.kobes@cityofomaha.org	Environmental Inspector
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 **Grading Permit Module: Inspections List**

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Project:
Name: CPW 52049 - Saddle Creek RTB
Grading Permit: OMA-20190222-4535-GP1
Address: 2610 South 64th Avenue, Omaha, NE 68106
Contact: Matt Bony's phone: 402-235-3827 mbony@kirkham.com
Jurisdiction: Omaha

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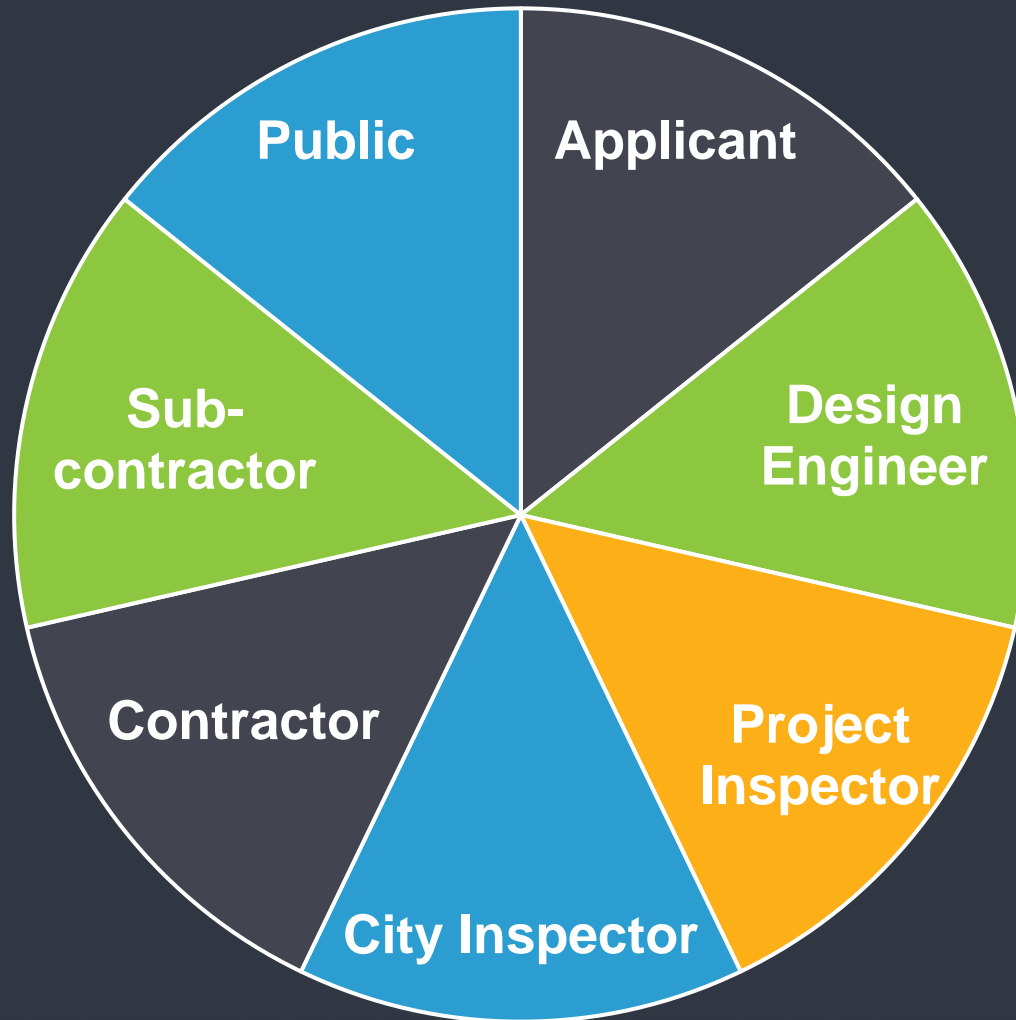
City Inspector:
Department: City of Omaha Public Works - EQCD
Email: Casey.Black@cityofomaha.org
Phone: 402-444-8423

Inspecting Firm:
Address: 5600 S 10th St. Omaha, NE, 68107
Email: James.Kee@cityofomaha.org
Phone: 402-444-3908

Inspecting Representative:
Email: eric.grimshaw@cityofomaha.org
Phone: 402-444-8428

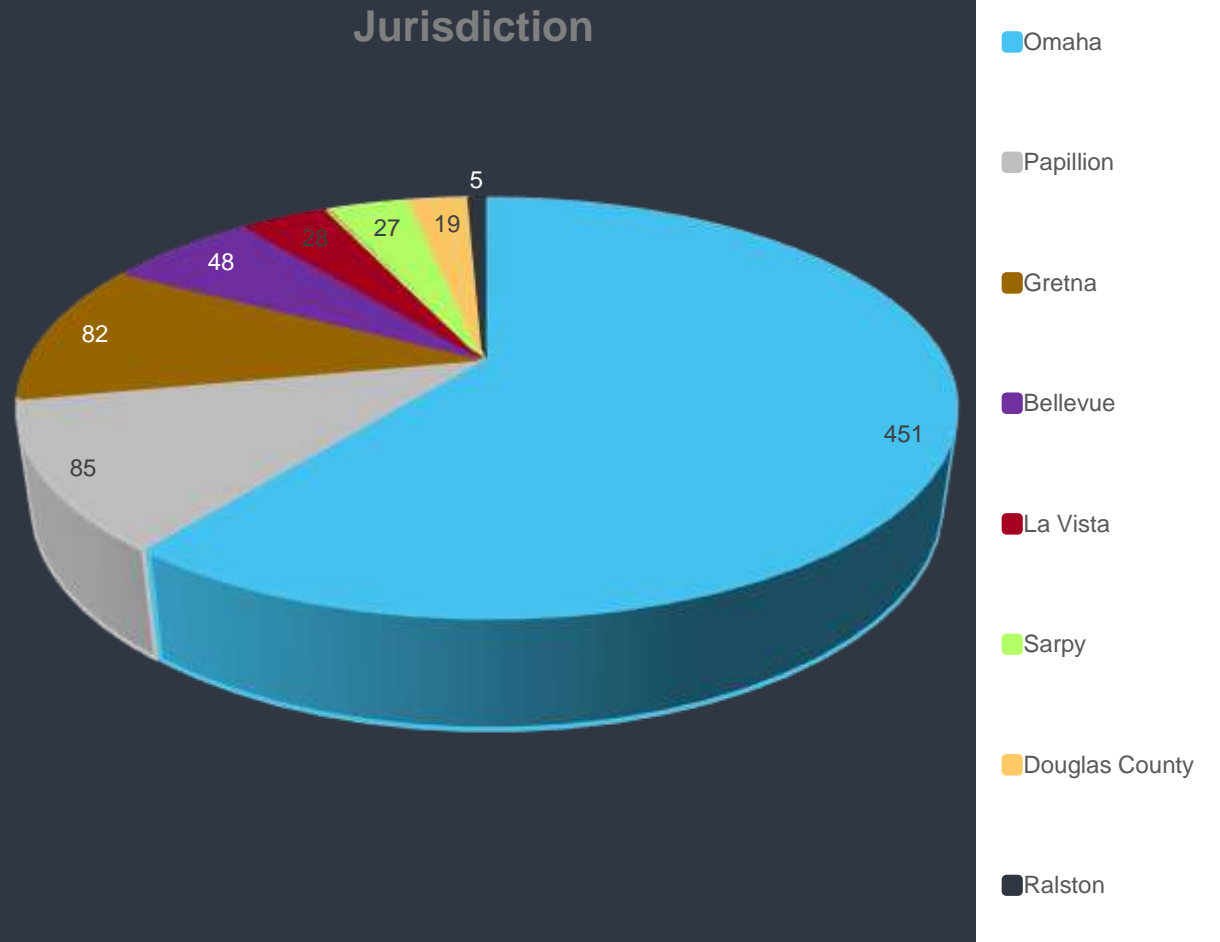
- Assigned City inspector with contact information.
- If no response, please contact Heaven Davis or myself.

All parties are after a common goal.



Active Permits for 2024

- Omaha: 451
- Gretna: 82
- Papillion: 85
- Bellevue: 48
- La Vista: 28
- Sarpy County: 27
- Douglas county: 19
- Ralston: 5



Active Permits

- 745 Active projects under the Papillion Creek Watershed Partnership
- 162 new projects in 2024
- 127 projects were closed out in 2024
- 24,477 Engineering site inspection reports submitted
- 13 City inspectors covering all of this.
- They submitted 2,378 inspections.

Closing out active permits

- Final Stabilization
- Post Construction Paperwork
- Post Construction Stormwater Management Plan (PCSMP)

Stabilization Requirements

PART VI. TERMINATION, TRANSFER OR REASSIGNMENT OF PERMIT COVERAGE

A. Permit Closure Requirements

The Applicant may only submit a Grading Permit Closure package when one of the two conditions listed below have been met:

1. **Final stabilization** has been achieved on all portions of the site for which the Applicant is responsible. Final stabilization is achieved when:
 - a. All soil disturbing construction activity has been completed;
 - b. A uniform perennial vegetative cover with a minimum density of 70 percent of the native background vegetative cover, has been established on all non-impervious surfaces and areas not covered by permanent structures unless equivalent permanent stabilization (such as riprap, gabions, and geotextiles) measures have been employed;
 - c. All permanent drainages, constructed to drain water from the site, has been stabilized to prevent erosion;
 - d. All temporary erosion protection and sediment control BMPs have been removed without compromising the permanent erosion protection and sediment control BMPs;
 - e. All sediment build-up has been removed from conveyances and basins that are to be used as permanent water quality management BMPs. The cleanout of permanent basins used as temporary BMPs during construction shall be sufficient to return the basin to design capacity;
 - f. Responsibility for long-term maintenance of permanent BMPs have been assigned;
 - g. Construction activity conducted on or through agricultural or silvicultural land shall be considered finally stabilized upon return to the preexisting agriculture or silviculture use; and
 - h. Construction activity conducted at new or industrial facilities that will operate the site in an exposed manner (such as limestone mining and solid waste landfills) shall be considered finally stabilized upon commencement of industrial activity consistent with the industrial use and coverage under the appropriate NPDES permit for industrial storm water.
 - i. All documents required for the Post Construction Stormwater Management Plan (PCSMP) have been submitted and approved including, but not limited to, the BMP Maintenance Certification, Maintenance and Easement Agreement, and As-Built Plans. (Only for projects where the PCSMP is applicable)
2. Another Applicant has assumed control according to part **VI.C.** over all areas of the site that have not met final stabilization requirements.

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Temporary Stabilization

- Certified seed shall be used on all temporary seedings. Select plants appropriate to the season and site conditions from those listed in the accompanying table. Other seedings may be used as recommended by qualified agronomists or soil conservationists.

Species	Rate Per Acre of Pure Live Seed (lbs per acre)
Alfalfa	40
With One of the Following:	
Spring Oats (Spring)	40
Annual Rye Grass (Summer)	40
Winter Wheat (Fall)	40
Total Lbs. Pure Live Seed Per Acre	80

Temporary Seeding

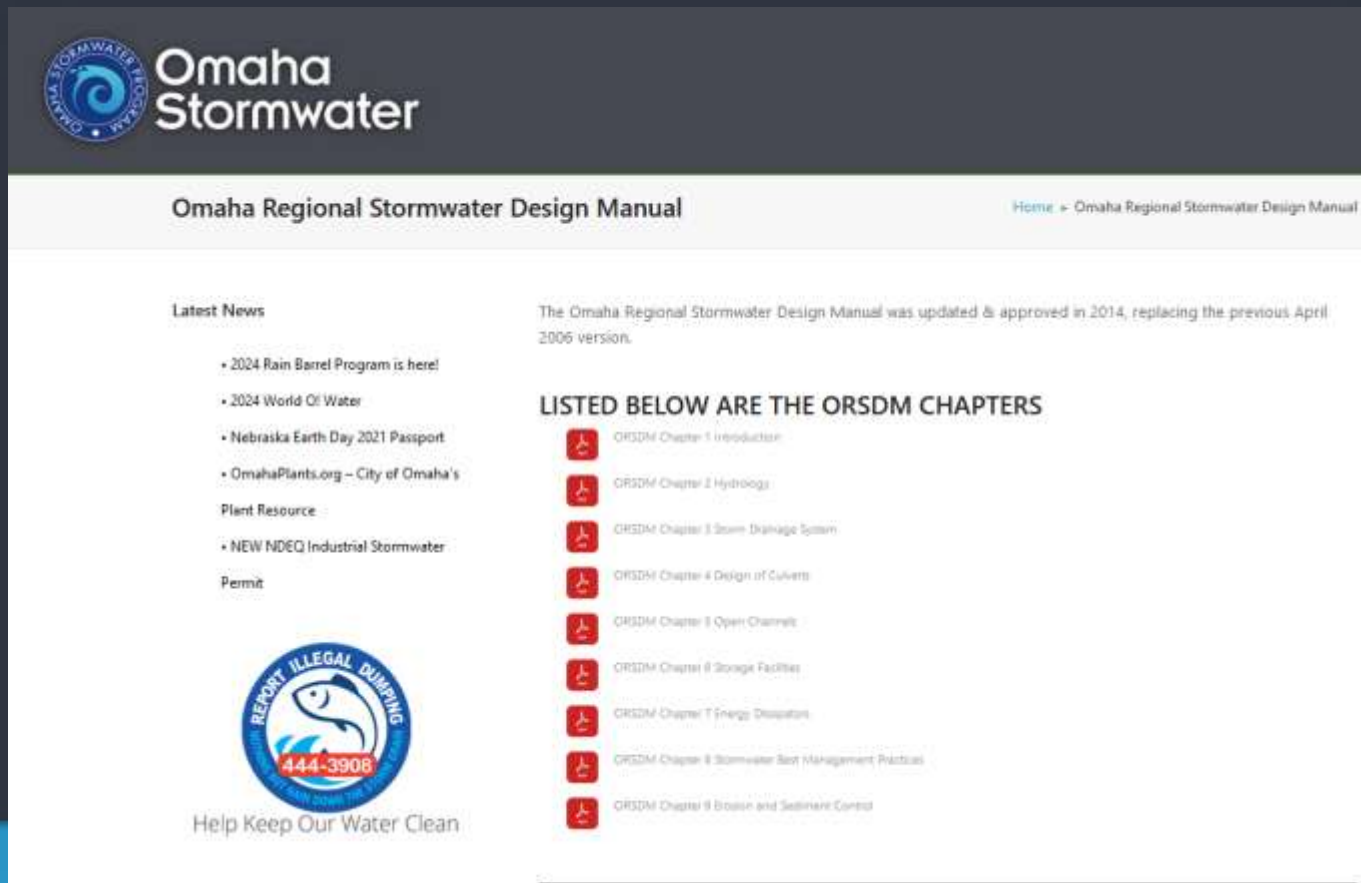


Permanent Seeding

Grasses or Legumes	Lbs. to Furnish 60 PLS/sq. ft. Per Acre	Loams, Clay-loams, and Clays						Sands & Loamy Sand				Remarks
		A	B	C	D	E	F	A	D	E	F	
Warm-Season Dominant: October 1 - June 15												
Big bluestem	4.0	X	0	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	For sands and loamy sands substitute sand bluestem for big bluestem, 1.8 lbs of prairie sandreed for sideoats grama and 0.2 lb. PLS sand love grass for tall fescue.
Sideoats grama	2.9	X	0	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	
Switch grass	0.7	X	0	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	
Indian grass	3.6	X	0	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	
Tall fescue	2.1	X	0	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	
Time of Year		Species										Seeding Rate
March 15 – May 15		Spring Oats										2 bu./AC.
May 16 – July 15		Grain Sorghum (drilled)										10-20 lbs./AC.
		Forage Sorghum (drilled)										10-20 lbs./AC.
		Hybrid Sundangrass										20-30 lbs./AC
July 16 – October 15		Spring Oats										2 bu./AC.
		Winter Wheat										1.5 bu./AC.
		Rye										1.5 bu./AC.
October 15 – March 15		No Planting, use mulches										
Tall fescue	7.3	X	X	0	-	X	-	0	-	0	-	
Switch grass	2.4	X	X	0	-	X	-	0	-	0	-	
Perennial ryegrass	5.2	-	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	X	Less than 5 years
Alfalfa	10.8	-	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	X	
Red clover	3.9	-	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	X	Substitute 0.6 lbs. PLS sand love grass to replace tall fescue for sands and loamy sands.
Dotted gayfeather	1.9	-	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	X	
Maximilian sunflower	6.3	-	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	X	

Resource

- Omahastormwater.org
- Omaha Regional Stormwater Design Manual
- Chapter 9 Erosion and Sediment Control



The screenshot displays the Omaha Stormwater website. At the top left is the Omaha Stormwater logo, featuring a blue circular emblem with a white wave and the text "OMAHA STORMWATER PROGRAM" around it, followed by "Omaha Stormwater" in a large, bold, sans-serif font. Below the logo, the page title "Omaha Regional Stormwater Design Manual" is centered. To the right of the title is a navigation link: "Home > Omaha Regional Stormwater Design Manual".

On the left side, under the heading "Latest News", there is a list of updates:

- 2024 Rain Barrel Program is here!
- 2024 World Of Water
- Nebraska Earth Day 2021 Passport
- OmahaPlants.org – City of Omaha's Plant Resource
- NEW NDEQ Industrial Stormwater Permit

Below the news list is a circular logo for "REPORT ILLEGAL DUMPING" with the phone number "444-3908" and the text "Help Keep Our Water Clean".

On the right side, under the heading "LISTED BELOW ARE THE ORSDM CHAPTERS", there is a list of chapters, each preceded by a red icon of a document with a white wave:

- ORSDM Chapter 1 Introduction
- ORSDM Chapter 2 Hydrology
- ORSDM Chapter 3 Storm Drainage System
- ORSDM Chapter 4 Design of Culverts
- ORSDM Chapter 5 Open Channels
- ORSDM Chapter 6 Storage Facilities
- ORSDM Chapter 7 Energy Dissipation
- ORSDM Chapter 8 Stormwater Best Management Practices
- ORSDM Chapter 9 Erosion and Sediment Control

Closing out sites:

Post-Construction paperwork

- Post-Construction Stormwater Management Plan (PCSMP) must be completed to close grading permit
 - Inspections must continue until all paperwork is approved
- Can hold up plats and prevent the start of projects
- Record and submit the Maintenance Agreement
- Submit the as-built for review as soon as you can
- Contact PCSMP Reviewer if your plan changes, needs updating, or any other questions.

PCSMP Inspections

Grading permit close out inspections require post construction inspections by City Inspectors

Post construction BMP inspection common findings:

- Functioning as designed
- Obstruction in inlets/outlets
- Any damage to system
- Unwanted vegetation
- Sediment/debris accumulation
- Drainage issues



Certified PCSMP Compliance

- **City of Omaha will start in the Spring reaching out to certified BMP owners to:**
 - Review & update project info, i.e. change in ownership
 - Ensure BMPs are being maintained and functional
- **Requested documents will include:**
 - Annual inspection reports
 - Maintenance records
 - Photos
 - Any other pertinent documentation
- **Compliance assistance provided as needed**
- **For more information, contact:**
 - Brian Lodes - Brian.Lodes@cityofomaha.org
 - Andy Szatko - Andy.Szatko@cityofomaha.org

Thank you

