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Vibrant communities with a positive future



WHO are you?

My name is Doug Helmke (dhelmke@krwa.net) and I represent the Kansas Rural Water Association. The mission of our organization is to provide the education and leadership necessary to enhance the effectiveness of Kansas' water and wastewater utilities. Our sponsorship of Kansas PRIDE is an extension of our goal to help all Kansans and their communities stay sustainable.

Who do you serve?

We primarily serve public drinking water and wastewater utilities across the state of Kansas, regardless of size or location.

What region do you serve in Kansas?

We serve the entire state of Kansas.

Why did you choose to sponsor Kansas PRIDE?

We sponsor Kansas PRIDE because their mission is closely aligned with our mission. We also see that local PRIDE committees can be instrumental in assisting the water and wastewater utilities that serve their communities by promoting environmental projects that could include water conservation and water quality awareness. Sustainable communities need sustainable utilities.

Update on Enrollment

It's going to be that time of year again, sooner than we all think! Our programmers are currently working on the new year format for enrollment (there are going to be some interesting updates, so keep informed by newsletter, website and Facebook). January 1 will be the date after which your community can enroll. Your community will need to pick a new password. After that, all should be good to go. Do not hesitate to contact us with any questions or concerns! - Jaime Menon (jimenon@ksu.edu)

Interesting Information: Larned PRIDE 2014, 4th Quarter, Pawnee County

Larned PRIDE took the "Back to Eden" approach when it came to their large community garden. They recovered it with mulch and prepared it in hopes of saving large amounts of water and time maintaining the garden.



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K-State Research & Extension,
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and
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What Can Regional Project Managers Provide Your Community?

Regional Project Managers based throughout the state are available to ensure your business or community is prepared to achieve its goals. Managers will assist in identifying incentives and assistance available to help grow your business; can provide training, strategic planning facilitation and identification of community development assistance programs; and will serve as liaisons to other state and federal agencies.

Events Calendar

October 11—12, 2014—League of Kansas Municipalities Conference—Come by our booth and see me! (Jaime Menon)
October 15, 2014—Community of Excellence Essays are Due (contact PRIDE@ksu.edu for more information)
November 7, 2014—Kansas PRIDE, Inc. Board of Directors Annual Meeting—Westar Energy Offices, Topeka, KS

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