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To the Residents of the Rockwood Subdivision:

The City of Broken Arrow is committed to maintaining safe, functional, and environmentally responsible drainage channels throughout our community. On October 30, 2025, we met with Rockwood residents at Arrowhead Elementary School to discuss the long-term care and maintenance of the Rockwood Creek Improved Channel.

At that meeting, we heard a wide range of perspectives. Several residents expressed concern about mowing because of the wildlife that uses the channel as habitat. Others emphasized the importance of regular maintenance to ensure a clean, accessible, and visually well-kept drainageway. We value both viewpoints and recognize that Rockwood Creek is not only a stormwater facility but also a natural feature within your neighborhood.

Our responsibility is to balance these community preferences while maintaining proper stormwater flow, safety, and compliance with the City's Code of Ordinances and federal regulations. The attached Routine Stormwater Maintenance Plan explains how we intend to manage vegetation, conduct inspections, and perform mowing and clearing at appropriate intervals. It also outlines seasonal guidelines designed to reduce impacts on wildlife, as well as the preferred use of light equipment and manual methods whenever practical. These practices ensure the channel continues to function safely while respecting the natural environment the neighborhood appreciates.

We appreciate the engagement, feedback, and cooperation of Rockwood residents. Your input shaped this plan and will continue to guide how we care for the channel moving forward. If you have any questions about the enclosed maintenance plan or upcoming work, please contact our Stormwater Division at (918) 259-7000.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support as we work to maintain both the safety and character of your neighborhood.

Sincerely,

Timothy Wilson

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City of Broken Arrow