

Ellis County Environmental/Planning and Zoning

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Upcoming Events

April 25

Joint Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting (Public is welcomed and encouraged to attend)

April 22

Earth Day

April 25

Administrative Professional's Day

Welcome to the Ellis County Environmental Office Newsletter! In the months to come, we will have plenty of information for you, as a citizen, to better help protect yourself, your neighbor, and the land you live on.

Spread the Word

If you know anyone who would like to be a part of our newsletter, just have them give us a call at 785-628-9449 or email us at mruder@ellisco.net to be added to our monthly newsletter.

Suggestions

Is there a topic you are curious about? We would be more than happy to tackle any topic you would like to hear about regarding what the Ellis County Environmental Office does.

About Us

The Ellis County Environmental Office provides environmentally sound practices and progressive development that help Ellis County residents protect the land and ground water in the county. The Planning and Zoning Division strives to ensure that the Ellis County Zoning Regulations and Subdivision Regulations are followed in providing proper land use and development of Ellis County properties.

Important Announcements

April 11th-The Protest Period ends for the proposed Zoning and Sub-Division Regulation changes

April 16th- Karen Purvis and David McDaniel will present the proposed Zoning and Sub-Division Regulation changes before the County Commission

April is Floodplain Awareness Month

April is supposed to bring some "April Shower's"! (still waiting on those) These showers, however, can lead to unwanted and dangerous flooding. It is best to find out where your home or business is when it comes to its location on the FEMA Flood maps.

Floodplain Information

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) creates regulations for national flood-related information and processes, including determination of Special Floodplain Hazard Areas, establishment of standards, and implementation of the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). The agency then dictates that local communities manage these policies through Community Officials. Our job in the Environmental Office is to determine where in relation to the floodplain your structure will be to better protect it when flooding occurs. If you are building a structure, please contact our office so we can help you determine the best possible location. You can find all our forms for determination and inquiries here: [Floodplain Management](#) There is also a website for checking floodplains that's available 24/7 to anyone that would like to see: [Online Floodplain Maps](#). If you need help navigating, please give us a call or email at the info on page 1.

Update to the Flood Maps

Currently, the maps we are using are slowly becoming obsolete. However, FEMA is working in our county right now to update them with new technology that can be as accurate as a tenth of a foot regarding floodplain! It will take a few years for the final product, but we should be able to use some of it as soon as next year, hopefully! This will give our office greater information with elevations, reference marks, digital mapping, and much more capability to zero in on the best location of structures to help keep them out of the flood zones. If you would like to see the new mapping updates, stop by our office at 718 Main St. Lower Level, Hays, KS.



In the Community

Brews on the Bricks

April 7, 2018, 12:30 PM - 5:00 PM @ Union Pacific Plaza

49th Annual Smoky Hill Art Exhibition-Opening Reception

April 27, 2018, 6:30 PM - 9:30 PM @ Hays Arts Center

Much, Much More!

Check your local City's Calendar or the Ellis County Webpage for any and all events happening in your community!

Ellis County Environmental/Planning & Zoning Fees 2018

Water Well Permit.- \$60.00
Wastewater Permit- \$60.00
Water Screen
Nitrate/Bacteria- \$20.00
Nitrate/Bacteria/RO-\$25.00
Property Transfer Evaluations
Water Well- \$50.00
Wastewater- \$50.00
Both- \$75.00

****please contact office for any fees that may occur***