



## City of Greeley One Percent for Art Program Request for Proposals

### Manhole Cover Design Project

Honorarium - \$1000

The City of Greeley Art Commission is seeking artistic designs from residents who currently live in the Greeley area to embellish manhole covers throughout the city. The intent of this project is to create awareness of the importance of water to Greeley and its connection to our land.

### **Background**

Greeley was once called the “Great American Desert” and digging ditches to bring water to the arid landscape is essentially the reason Greeley has continued to flourish. Casting artwork into manhole covers not only adds art to city streets but brings thoughtful awareness to our water resources. Please see the attached ‘Water Quality’ document for more information.

Drawings are now being requested in an open competition from individuals who would like to enhance our City with small artistic surprises in the form of manhole covers. One selected design will be incorporated into the center of cast metal manhole covers to be placed in high foot traffic areas in Greeley.

### **Scope of Work**

All drawings must be original. Designs may be created with any appropriate drawing media including computer graphics. ONLY one manhole cover design per person will be accepted. Designs must be image based, and not text based. Designs that include logos, copyrighted or trademarked images, advertisements, political, commercial, religious, or sexual symbols, themes or messages will not be accepted. Designs should be appropriate for a diverse, broad based audience of all ages.

Keep it simple! Manhole cover art designs that are created with bold lines and/or solid shapes are easier for viewers to recognize and will reproduce better in the dark grey cast metal manhole covers. No additional color may be added so deep cuts will be the main way to create contrast.

Busy designs with many fine lines and/or gradual slopes to show shaded areas won’t reproduce as well and thus will not be graded as highly.

A design with simple lines and deep cuts will look the best throughout the year. City staff may need to work with artists to fine tune the selected design as necessary for the fabrication process.

Although the manhole cover may be 24 inches in diameter, only a 12 inch diameter center circle will be used for artistic design. Look at the manhole cover image on the top of this page and imagine your design filling the entire middle circle instead of the existing fish.

### **Budget & Selection Criteria**

One artist whose design is selected by the committee will be awarded \$1000. Multiple runner-up artists/designs may be selected but will not receive a cash award. Incomplete or late entries will not be considered. All proposals must be received by 5pm on March 30, 2015.

### **Application Materials to be Submitted**

1. Manhole Cover Design Project Request for Proposal form (attached)
2. One black and white design drawn in a 12" circle on paper or a similar surface.
3. A one page written description including an artist bio and a description of the drawing design submitted.

### **Selection Process**

The Selection Committee may consist of members of the Greeley Art Commission, two water representatives, one Greeley City Council member, and a local artist. The selection committee will review submissions and either recommend finalists or make a final recommendation. The selection committee reserves the right to reject any or all entries at any time in the review and selection process.

Up to 3 designs will be selected and will be assessed on aesthetic merit, originality and creativity or innovation, appropriateness to the. The Greeley Art Commission will make the final selection.

### **Limitations to Liability**

The City of Greeley shall not assume any responsibility or liability for costs incurred by artists in responding to this RFP or in responding to any further requests for interview, additional data, etc., prior to the issuance of payment in the form of an honorarium.

### **Rejection of Proposals**

The Greeley Art Commission reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or to award payment in whole or in part if it is in the best interest of the project.

### **Procedure if no Artist is Selected**

Final selection of an artist to complete the Manhole Cover Project will follow successful negotiations which satisfy the City's concern that the Selection Committee's recommendations and the interest of the public are best served. Should no artist be accepted, a second advertisement and Request for Proposals may be issued.

### **Contact Information**

This Request for Proposals is issued by the City of Greeley. The City is the sole point of contact.

**All questions related to the RFP should be directed to Kim at 970-350-9450 or by email to [kim.snyder@greeleygov.com](mailto:kim.snyder@greeleygov.com)**



**Manhole Cover Design Project  
Request for Proposal Form**

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ARTIST NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Age (if under 18 yrs. old) \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT / GAURDIAN (if under 18 yrs. old) \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail OR hand-deliver this form with  
One (1) 12" diameter drawing & a written description to:

**City of Greeley Public Art  
Kim Snyder  
651 10<sup>th</sup> Ave.  
Greeley, CO 80631**

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE: March 30, 2015  
SUBMISSIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THIS DATE**

I have read the Manhole Cover Design Request for Proposals, and I agree that if my design is selected, I release all rights to the design which will become the property of the City of Greeley and be reproduced by the City of Greeley to be placed in a public place. All further works fabricated by the City shall be faithful to the drawings and design of original artwork as provided by the applicant. No additional compensation will be afforded the artist for any and all reproductions or fabrications of artwork from said design.

Applicants Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

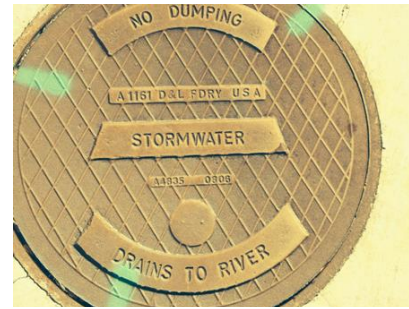
As parent or guardian of the Applicant, I have read the Manhole Cover Design Request for Proposals and application form. I agree to the terms and conditions described on those forms, and give permission for my child to participate.

Signature of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_  
(If Applicant is under 18 years of age)

# Water Quality

## Stormwater basics

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Stormwater pollution is rapidly growing in importance as a national environmental issue. Stormwater pollution occurs when rain or snow melt flows over streets and picks up trash, oil, dirt, and other pollutants as it travels. These pollutants are then carried to the storm drainage system, which drains directly into our local lakes, streams and rivers, UNTREATED.

### Why is this important?

As stated by the EPA, stormwater pollution is the #1 cause of water pollution in the country. Stormwater - it's a big deal! As communities become increasingly developed with more roads, parking lots, cars and homes, increased urbanization and increased impervious surfaces, directly impact our water. The creation of impervious surfaces that accompanies urbanization profoundly affects how water moves above and below ground during storms. These impervious surfaces impact the quality of stormwater and the condition of our lakes and rivers.

Common pollutants - Motor oil, sediment, yard waste/leaves, biodegradable materials, and paint are common pollutants that should never be put down the storm drain. These materials will travel directly into lakes and rivers UNTREATED, polluting water and natural habitats.

### Help us keep it clean! Know the rules.

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- Only rain to the drain!
- The storm drainage system is designed to convey rain water to our local lakes and rivers. Businesses and residents all need to be aware of what is allowed and not allowed into the storm drain system.
- Call 970-336-4074 to report illegal dumping activity.
- Ordinances and state regulations establish methods for controlling pollutants entering the storm drainage system.

Local ordinances are a requirement of the City of Greeley's Municipal Stormwater Discharge Permit issued by the State of Colorado. The objective of the ordinance is to:

- Control pollutants to the storm drainage system.
- Prohibit illegal connections and discharges to the storm drainage system.
- Establish legal authority to carry out inspections, surveillance, monitoring and enforcement procedures necessary to ensure compliance with the ordinances.

- Promote public awareness of the hazards of improperly releasing trash, yard waste, lawn chemicals, pet waste, wastewater, grease, oil, petroleum products, cleaning products and paint products, hazardous waste, sediment and other pollutants into the storm drainage system.

### **General Prohibitions**

- No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged into the storm drainage system or water course any materials other than stormwater.
- The construction, use, maintenance or continued existence of illicit connections to the storm drainage system is prohibited.
- It shall be unlawful to cause materials to be deposited in such a manner or location as to constitute a threatened discharge into storm drains, gutters or waters of the state. Materials that are no longer contained in a pipe, tank or other container are considered to be threatened discharges unless they are actively being cleaned up.
- No person shall maliciously destroy or interfere with structural controls in place to protect water quality.
- Fines up to \$1,000 per day for Ordinance violations may be imposed.

**General Exemptions:** The following types of discharges could be allowed to the storm drainage system when properly managed:

- Water line flushing or other potable water sources
- Landscape irrigation or lawn watering
- Irrigation return flows
- Diverted stream flows
- Rising groundwater
- Uncontaminated groundwater infiltration to storm drain (as defined by 40CFR 35.2005(20))
- Uncontaminated pumped groundwater discharged to land/onsite infiltration
- Single family residential foundation or footing drains
- Single family residential crawl space pumps
- Air conditioning condensation
- Springs
- Individual residential car washing
- Natural riparian or wetland flows
- Swimming pools (if dechlorinated - less than 0.05 PPM chlorine)