

City of Midwest City's Vegetation Management Program

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Vegetation Management in Midwest City

Managed by City personnel

Consists of mowing, weed eating, and edging

Time and resource intensive

Vegetation Management in Midwest City



▶ Goats at Work

- ▶ First attempt involved a permanent herd at our Water Resources Recovery Facility (WRRF)
 - ▶ Herd provided by Langston University
 - ▶ Herd management provided by City personnel
 - ▶ WRRF staff had to feed and care for goats, repair fence, etc. in addition to regular job requirements
- ▶ Discovered dangers of predators, even in urban

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- ▶ Goats at Work
 - ▶ Second attempt
 - ▶ Contracting with company offering brush clearing goat services
 - ▶ Permanent herd at the WRRF
 - ▶ Annual fee invoiced monthly
 - ▶ Includes livestock protection dog (LPD)
 - ▶ On-demand herd for other locations
 - ▶ Per location fee invoiced as completed
 - ▶ City identifies locations and provides water source
 - ▶ Contractor does the rest



Hondo - Former LPD

