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Dr. Kyle Murray Honored with Environmental Stewardship Award

On April 20, 2017, Dr. Kyle E. Murray of the Oklahoma Geological Survey (OGS) was presented a “Recognition for Environmental Stewardship” Award from the University of Oklahoma Environmental Concerns Committee (<http://www.ou.edu/admin/ecc/>) in appreciation of his efforts in responsible use and protection of the environment through conservation and sustainable practices. The mission of the Environmental Concerns Committee is to “advise the president of the university concerning environmental issues and to promote awareness of energy and other resources conservation, recycling, and personal and environmental well-being and safety.”

Dr. Murray was nominated by fellow colleagues and students who wished to recognize his hard work and dedication to studies in the field of Environmental Sciences.

A certificate and plaque were presented to Dr. Murray during the Responsibility and Sustainability Fair hosted by the Environmental Concerns Committee and Housing & Food Services (Fig. 1; <http://cas.ou.edu/ou-ecc-housing-food-services-sustainability-responsibility-fair>).

Dr. Murray is the first faculty member presented with this award at the University of Oklahoma, along with



Figure 1. Certificate and plaque presented to Dr. Kyle E. Murray by Dr. David Hambright, Professor of Biology & Director of Environmental Studies, in Recognition for Environmental Stewardship.

one student and two organizations (Fig. 2). The plaque will be hung in the University of Oklahoma Memorial Union, recognizing this outstanding accomplishment.

Some of Dr. Murray's recent projects include (1) identifying contaminants of emerging concern (CEC) in Lake Thunderbird; and (2) measuring hydrogeologic properties of the Arbuckle Group and analyzing its relationship to induced seismicity.

As Hydrogeologist IV for the OGS and Cooperating Researcher in the ConocoPhillips School of Geology and Geophysics, Dr. Murray mentors three graduate students and a team of two full-time staff in the OGS Water, Engineering and Environmental Group. His interests include water reuse and recycling for the future when there are limited natural resources available and management of co-produced water. For more information, please see Dr. Murray's OGS webpage (http://www.ou.edu/content/ogs/staff/murray_kyle.html).



Figure 2. The plaque honoring Dr. Kyle E. Murray for his efforts in responsible use and protection of the environment will be hung in the University of Oklahoma Memorial Union.

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