'April Showers to Water Towers' a Water Festival for Douglas County was held in conjunction with other Earth Day activities April 16th, 2011 in South Park. Information regarding watersheds, stormwater pollution, erosion, ground water and other water quality issues were presented using fun, educational activities. The festival, sponsored by the City's Stormwater Division, is held each year to help meet the Public Education and Outreach requirement for the City's Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit. Other agencies participating in the Water Festival included Central Plains Center for BioAssessment, Kansas Biological Survey, U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary, K-State Research and Extension, and the Kansas Geological Survey. Over 400 people attended the festival, with over 75 citizens receiving a rain poncho for visiting all seven activities.



Water Festival 2011



Kansas Biological Survey



Kansas Geological Survey



Sammy the Otter, U.S. Coast Guard