



CONTACT INFO

FOR INFORMATION ON STATEWIDE VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS
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(405)702-8100

FOR STORMWATER RELATED COMPLAINTS CONTACT

ODEQ COMPLAINTS 24-HOUR HOTLINE

PHONE NUMBER
1-800-522-0206

FOR INFORMATION CONCERNING LOCAL STORMWATER VOLUNTEER
PROJECTS OR REGULATIONS CONTACT

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*UNDERSTANDING
STORMWATER POLLUTION
AND WHAT YOU CAN DO
TO PREVENT IT*

WHAT IS STORMWATER RUNOFF?

PRECIPITATION AND WATER THAT MOVES ACROSS SURFACES LIKE ROOFS, PARKING LOTS, STREETS OR LAWNS AND IS NOT ABSORBED INTO THE GROUND IS STORM WATER RUNOFF.

WHAT IS STORMWATER POLLUTION?

AS STORMWATER TRAVELS ACROSS IMPERVIOUS SURFACES, IT PICKS UP, DISSOLVES, AND TRANSPORTS POLLUTANTS SUCH AS; CHEMICALS, TRASH, YARD AND PET WASTE AND ERODED SOIL INTO OUR STORM SEWER SYSTEM AND DIRECTLY TO OUR CREEKS AND STREAMS. THIS POLLUTION CAN DESTROY AQUATIC HABITATS, FISH, WILDLIFE AND CONTAMINATE WATER SUPPLIES. HERE ARE SOME WAYS YOU CAN HELP PREVENT STORMWATER POLLUTION.

WHERE DOES STORMWATER GO?

MANY PEOPLE BELIEVE THAT THE STORMWATER AND OTHER MATERIALS THAT ENTER THE STREET CURB INLETS WILL BE CLEANED AT A TREATMENT PLANT, THIS IS NOT TRUE. OUR MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM EMPTIES DIRECTLY INTO OUR LOCAL CREEKS AND STREAMS WITHOUT BEING TREATED.

HELP ELIMINATE ILLEGAL DUMPING:

ILLEGAL DUMPING IS THE DISPOSAL OF WASTE IN UNDESIGNATED AREAS. THIS CAUSES AN ADVERSE IMPACT ON OUR CREEKS AND STREAMS. SOME OF THE MOST COMMON INSTANCES OF ILLEGAL DUMPING ARE; DUMPING CONSTRUCTION, LANDSCAPING WASTE AND HOUSEHOLD GARBAGE ON THE SIDE OF THE ROAD OR IN CREEK BEDS, WASHING PAINT SUPPLIES OUT INTO THE STREET OR STORM DRAIN, AND DUMPING AUTOMOTIVE FLUIDS INTO CREEKS OR STORM DRAINS. ALL OF THESE MATERIAL CAN BE PROPERLY AND SAFELY DISPOSED OF, AT THE CITY OF LAWTON LANDFILL.

STORMWATER IN LAWTON CITY CODE:

IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY MATERIAL OTHER THAN STORMWATER, SUCH AS; DISCARDED BUILDING MATERIALS, SOIL, SILT, SEDIMENT, COMMERCIAL / INDUSTRIAL VEHICLE WASH WATER, LITTER, YARD WASTE, CHEMICALS OR ANY OTHER POLLUTANT TO BE STORED, SPILLED, OR DISPOSED OF IN SUCH A MANNER THAT CAUSES POLLUTANTS TO BE DISCHARGED INTO THE MUNICIPAL STORM SEWER SYSTEM.

GET INVOLVED:

- 1 TALK TO YOUR CHILDREN, NEIGHBORS, FRIENDS, AND CO-WORKERS ABOUT KEEPING OUR WATERWAYS FREE OF POLLUTION.
- 2 KNOW WHERE TO RECYCLE IN YOUR COMMUNITY. (EARTH911.COM)
- 3 VOLUNTEER FOR STREAM CLEANUP, INLET MARKING, AND STREAM MONITORING EVENTS.
- 4 REPORT ILLEGAL DUMPING, SPILLS AND DISCHARGES TO OUR STORMWATER HOTLINE (580)581-3565.

AROUND THE HOUSE:

- 1 DISPOSE OF HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS, PAINTS, PESTICIDES, AND PRESCRIPTION DRUGS PROPERLY.
- 2 REDIRECT ROOF GUTTER DOWNSPOUTS TO FLOW OVER YOUR YARD INSTEAD OF ON THE DRIVEWAY AND TO THE STREET.
- 3 LEARN ABOUT COMPOSTING AND RECYCLING.

AROUND THE YARD:

- 1 PICK UP PET WASTE FROM YOUR YARD.
- 2 APPLY LAWN CARE PRODUCTS SUCH AS PESTICIDES AND FERTILIZERS SPARINGLY AND NEVER IF RAIN IS FORECAST.
- 3 AVOID OVER-WATERING.
- 4 SEED OR MULCH BARE AREAS OF YOUR LAWN TO PREVENT EROSION.
- 5 SWEEP UP. NEVER DUMP YOUR GRASS CLIPPINGS IN OR NEAR A STREAM OR WASH THEM DOWN THE STREET TO A STORM DRAIN.
- 6 LEARN ABOUT GRASSCYCLING AND COMPOSTING.
- 7 HAVE YOUR SOIL TESTED.
- 8 KEEP SPRINKLERS ADJUSTED PROPERLY, TO WATER THE LAWN AND NOT THE STREET.

VEHICLE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR:

- 1 CHECK FOR LEAKS AND HAVE YOUR VEHICLE SERVICED REGULARLY.
- 2 IF YOU DO IT YOURSELF, COLLECT ALL FLUIDS INTO THE PROPER CONTAINERS AND RECYCLE THEM AT A LOCAL AUTO PARTS STORE.
- 3 CLEAN UP SPILLS WITH ABSORBENT MATERIAL LIKE KITTLY LITTER.
- 4 NEVER WASH SPILLS DOWN INTO THE STREET.
- 5 WASH YOUR CAR ON A GRASSY AREA OR AT A COMMERCIAL CAR WASH.

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