

Pollution Prevention and Protection of our Regional Waterways

Stormwater is the rainfall or snowmelt that flows over our yards, streets, parking lots and buildings and either enters the storm drain system or runs directly into a lake or stream. Stormwater run-off is considered to be a leading cause of pollution in our waterways.

Not surprisingly, sewer systems and storm drain systems are not connected. Sewer systems collect wastewater from indoor plumbing such as toilets, sinks, and washing machines and take it to a treatment plant to remove the pollutants before it is discharged back into a lake or stream. Clyde Hill's sewer system is managed by the City of Bellevue.

Stormwater systems collect rainwater runoff. These drains are found in parking lots and along streets, and include both open ditch systems and piped systems. Stormwater systems discharge directly to our ponds, lakes, creeks, and marshes usually without being treated, so nature must serve as the stormwater treatment plant. The State and Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) mandates that we reduce or eliminate pollutants that flow through the storm drain system. Clyde Hill's stormwater system is managed by the City of Clyde Hill.

We ask that you adopt some of the best management practices to help reduce pollutants in stormwater runoff that end up in our creeks, rivers and groundwater. Here are some everyday activities to reduce pollution:

- Practice good car care. Fix leaks promptly and wash your car on the lawn or at a car wash. Recycle old oil and take antifreeze and other household chemicals to a local hazardous waste collection facility or collection event.
- Clean up after your pet. Whether on a walk or in your yard, promptly clean up after your pet. Not only will you be a good neighbor, you will also protect water from harmful bacteria.
- Never sweep or blow yard debris into the street or storm drain.
- Use a low phosphorus fertilizer and have your soil tested to see what, if any, fertilizer is needed.



Remember....never put anything into a ditch or storm drain - JUST RAIN

Pet Waste

Pet waste has bacteria that makes our lakes and rivers unsafe for swimming and other recreational activities. Most of us pick up after our pets to be a good neighbor and keep our yard clean. But there is another important reason to clean up after our pets: pet waste contains bacteria that is harmful to our water. Leaving it on the sidewalk or in a yard means that harmful bacteria can get washed into storm drains and roadside ditches. Many of these flow directly into our lakes and rivers untreated.

So what can you do?

Whether you are in your yard or on a walk, dispose of your pet's waste promptly in the trash or toilet to prevent it from entering storm drains and roadside ditches.

Pick up after your pet to help keep our water clean!

Carefully Store and Dispose of Household Cleaners, Chemicals and Oil

Many household products are dangerous to our kids, pets, and the environment. These materials pollute our waterways if washed or dumped into storm drains or roadside ditches that lead directly to our lakes and rivers. Household cleaners, pesticides, gasoline, antifreeze, used motor oil, and other hazardous products need to be labeled, stored, and disposed of properly.

So what can you do?

- Be aware of household products that can harm children, pets and the environment. Pay attention to words such as "warning" or "caution" on product labels.
- Reduce waste and save money by purchasing only the materials you need.
- Keep unused products in their original containers with labels.
- Never dump hazardous products down storm drains, roadside ditches, sinks, or on the ground—take them to your local community's hazardous waste collection day.

Fertilizer

When you're fertilizing the lawn, remember that you are not just fertilizing the lawn.

Here is a common scenario: You fertilize the lawn, then it rains. The rain washes the fertilizer along the curb, into the storm drain, then into our local waterways. It eventually winds up in Puget Sound. This causes algae to grow, which uses up oxygen that fish need to survive.

So what can you do?

If you fertilize, please follow directions and use sparingly and use fertilizer with low or no phosphorus.



Get Your Tax Return in Early

A lot of people seem to wait until the last minute to get their tax return in. Over the past few years there has been a nationwide spike in fraudulent tax returns. Identity thieves file false returns early in the season to collect refund money, which results in a mess that can take months for the true taxpayer to correct. The Police recommend filing your return as early as possible, before the criminals do it for you!

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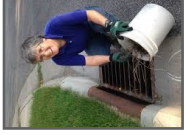
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Adopt a Storm Drain!

Help prevent flooding!!

Make it a habit to clean off the tops of the storm drains near your home.

Upcoming City Project

The main City project for this year is the overlay of NE 24th Street. Work will begin in early April and is expected to take about 60 days. The project will begin with storm system repairs, and followed by what is called a "grind and overlay."

Work will begin at 94th Avenue and continue west down the hill to 84th Avenue.

The project will include the following locations:

- NE 24th St (84th Ave NE to 96th Ave NE)
- 85th Pl NE (NE 24th St south to cul-de-sac)
- 88th Ave NE (NE 24th St to ~200 feet north)
- 88th Pl NE (NE 24th St south to cul-de-sac)



New Solid Waste Disposal Rates Took Effect January 1, 2019



The new rate enables the King County Solid Waste Division to sustain the current recycling and solid waste transfer and disposal system while investing in equipment and infrastructure up-

grades, including replacing the Algona Transfer Station with a new recycling and transfer station in south King County. The new rates include a discounted fee for low-income customers. For more information:

<https://kingcounty.gov/depts/dnrrp/solid-waste.aspx>



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