

Whether you live, work, or play in Richmond, here is important information you need to know about stormwater:

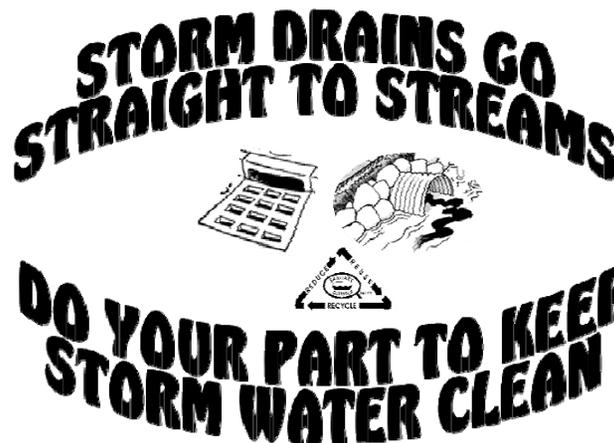


- Stormwater includes rain and snowmelt
- Stormwater runs downhill to enter streams, ponds, and storm drain systems
- Stormwater DOES NOT go to a treatment plant—it is carried directly into local streams, rivers, ponds, lakes, and reservoirs
- Stormwater carries all the debris, litter, and pollutants from hard surfaces as it flows
- Pollutants entering storm drains include: grass clippings, leaves, pet waste, lawn treatments, fluids from leaking vehicles, soapy water, cigarette butts, soil from unprotected areas, cleaning products, chlorinated pool and spa water, and more that enter water systems
- Pollutants change the water's environment and can kill that which lives & depends on our rivers and streams for survival

- Report all illicit discharges—liquids or materials entering storm drains or bodies of water that are not composed entirely of stormwater as they may be due to spills, illegal dumping, or improper connections to stormwater pipes—765-983-7450

#### Easy Actions You Can Do:

- Take household hazardous waste items to the New Paris Pike Landfill HHW facility for proper disposal
- Participate in your Neighborhood Clean-ups and Collection Days
- Sign up to mark/stencil your neighborhood and business area storm drains if they do not already have the information cast into the grate
- Be aware of your actions and be a responsible citizen of the community—we all live downstream from someone so help keep water clean for others downstream from you



# Stormwater Information



Department of Sanitation

765-983-7450



[www.richmondindiana.gov/stormwater](http://www.richmondindiana.gov/stormwater)

# Stormwater—more than just rain and snow—what you need to know

## If you live in Richmond



- You are assessed a monthly stormwater fee—a flat fee of \$6.00 per month
- Help prevent street flooding by keeping storm drains near your home free of litter, leaves, and debris
- Report illicit discharge—the illegal dumping or pouring of materials into storm drain—765-983-7450
- Current construction projects are helping to separate stormwater pipes from sanitary sewers
- Be active! Attend Citizen Advisory Council meetings held at the Richmond Sanitary District to learn more

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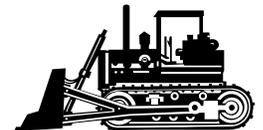
## If you have a business in Richmond



- You are assessed a monthly stormwater fee— a flat fee of \$4.50 per month plus an additional \$1.50 per 2,980 square feet of impervious surface (hard surfaces that do not absorb water—pavement, rooftops, sidewalks, etc)
- Keep parking lots and dock areas clean of litter and debris to keep drains clear and prevent them from clogging
- Install containment barriers for fueling areas and containment structures for the storage of hazardous liquids and materials to prevent them from entering storm drains and waterways

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## If you build or do construction in Richmond—Best Management Practices to follow



- Construction Sequencing—coordinate timing of all land disturbing & construction activities
- Construction Entrance—designate a site to dislodge sediment from tires before entering roadways
- Silt Fence—filters sediment from runoff—keeps soil on construction site
- Sediment Traps and Basins—pools stormwater runoff to allow enough retention time for settling of sediment
- Inlet protection—place barriers around inlet drains to prevent sediment from entering stormwater system
- Stockpiling—buffers, silt fences, and seeding should be used to protect surrounding waterways, drainage areas, and adjacent properties from sediment runoff
- Concrete Washouts—located inside construction site to contain washout from concrete chutes and hoppers from entering water bodies and stormwater systems