

HOW CAN I HELP?

Scoop the Poop!



Wash your car on the grass to keep the soap, dirt, oil and other pollutants out of our waterways!



Remove leaves, grass clippings, trash, and other debris from storm drains.



Roads & Drainage Division
727 Camp Road
Decatur, Georgia 30032
(404) 297-3840

www.dekalbcountyga.gov/roads-drainage/stormwater-program



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Remember:

Only Rain Down the Drain!



DeKalb County
GEORGIA

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**STORMWATER
MANAGEMENT**



**Be the Solution to
Stormwater Pollution**

2024—2026

DEKALB COUNTY STREAMS & DITCHES - WHO IS RESPONSIBLE?

Property owners are responsible for the maintenance of ditches, creeks, and streams outside of the rights-of-way (ROW). The property owners also are responsible for mowing their yard within the road right-of-way.

The county is responsible for stormwater drainage structures that are in the ROW or on a final, recorded plat. This includes within 10 feet of a ditch, creek or stream that is at the end of a county-maintained structure.

Citizen Drainage Program

The DeKalb County Citizen Drainage Program assists homeowners in maintaining drainage conditions on their private property. This program consists of two elements to help homeowners control erosion their property: The Citizen Drainage Pipe and the Citizen Drainage Improvement Program. Both programs require an application and have certain restrictions.



WHAT IS STORMWATER POLLUTION?

Stormwater pollution is runoff that contains pollutants such as debris, chemicals, litter, and other contaminants. This pollution is created as stormwater flows over impervious surfaces such as rooftops, parking lots and walkways.

Stormwater pollution flows into our stormwater drainage system which discharges into streams, creeks, lakes, and rivers--water bodies which are used for swimming, fishing, and drinking water.

How Can I Get Involved?

Residents can participate in the Storm Drain Marking program. This is a small effort which can greatly improve the water quality in DeKalb County.

Contact DeKalb County for more information on the county's Storm Drain Marking program.



Report Illicit Discharge Immediately!

Call 404-297-3840

HOW YOUR STORMWATER FEE IS DETERMINED?

What is a Stormwater Utility Fee?

The Stormwater Utility (SWU) fee provides the most practical and appropriate means of funding stormwater services in DeKalb County. The SWU fee provides for an equitable assignment of costs because it is calculated in direct proportion to the type of property and the amount of impervious surface on the property.

Who Pays?

Every property owner in unincorporated DeKalb County whose property has an impervious surface is required to pay a SWU fee to help sustain the county's stormwater management program.

How is the Fee Calculated?

The SWU fee is based on an Equivalent Residential Unit, or ERU. One ERU is \$108 per year for 2024 and \$120 per year for 2025 and beyond subject to adjustment through action of DeKalb County

Information on SWU Fees

For more information on DeKalb County's stormwater management call the County's Roads & Drainage Division on 404-297-3840 or visit the webpage at the link below.

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