

SCOOP The POOP

Keep our waters paws-itively clean!



Pet Waste

What's the Problem?

Pet waste might not seem like a stormwater problem, but animal waste is one of the many seemingly small sources of pollution that can add up to big problems for water quality, and even human health.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Impacts of pet waste on receiving waters

Pet waste left on the ground mixes with stormwater and the contaminants are carried to nearby lakes and rivers, where we swim, fish, and play.

CLEAN UP YOUR PET WASTE

Pick it up. Bag it. Throw it in the trash.

All pet owners are responsible for properly disposing of their pet's waste. Many of our City Parks have Mutt-Mitt dispensers available.

ANIMAL WASTE POLLUTANTS

Pet waste contains nutrients & pathogens

When pet waste ends up in water bodies it decomposes, releasing nutrients that cause excessive growth of algae and weeds resulting in murky, smelly and possibly unusable lakes and rivers.

CITY ORDINANCE

Pick it up. Bag it. Throw it in the trash.

It is unlawful for any owner to suffer or permit an animal to defecate upon public property, or the private property of another, without immediately removing the excrement and disposing of it in a sanitary manner.

Pet Waste Management

Pet waste left uncollected is unsanitary and disagreeable for everyone. Pet waste management results in cleaner parks and neighborhoods, with improved aesthetics and lowered potential for diseases to spread. Reducing the amount of uncollected pet waste reduces a significant cause of stormwater pollution.

Why SCOOP that POOP?



Just 1 dog

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Can Produce



of Poop a Year!



There are
23 million bacteria
in 1 tiny gram of dog poop

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