

WaterWatch



Backflow Prevention Basics

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Autumn Means Falling Leaves

The weather is cooler and the leaves have changed color. What comes next? Piles and piles of fallen leaves.

Leaves can pose problems for storm water infrastructure. If gutters are not cleaned regularly, leaves can cover storm drain grates and cause gutters to back up. This can lead to nuisance flooding, driving hazards and even potentially cause property damage.

Although the City operates three street sweepers, it is impossible for us to clean up all the leaves that fall in the City. Please clean up leaves in gutters promptly after windy periods. This will help lessen the chances of any flooding from covered storm drains this fall.



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If you wouldn't drink it, don't dump it!

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Landscaping Materials Do Not Belong in Streets

Despite an ordinance that specifies that dirt stockpiles in City streets are illegal, we often find scenes like the one below throughout the City. Dirt and other landscaping materials must not be left in City streets even for a few hours. These piles are safety hazards and can be washed into storm drains which can lead to costly maintenance and even localized flooding. Violation of City ordinances can also cost you money, too. So, if you see dirt stockpiled in the street, let us know at 229-7058. We'll contact the contractor or owner and they will be given 12 hours to clean up the mess or be given a penalty or a stop work order. Thanks for your help.



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