Stormwater Pollution Prevention & Household Hazardous Waste (HHW)



Protecting & Keeping our Waterways Clean!

Stormwater runoff occurs when rain flows over surfaces like roads, sidewalks, and driveways, collecting pollutants along the way. This polluted water drains into local waterways without treatment, harming aquatic life and contaminating drinking water sources.

Storm drains in your neighborhood help prevent flooding by directing rainwater to nearby waterways. However, they don't filter out pollutants. Anything that enters the gutter or flows into a storm drain goes straight into our city's waterways. Let's work together to keep them clean! Remember...Only Rain Down the Drain!

Annual Shoreline Cleanup Event!

Join the City of Gulf Breeze & Ocean Hour, Saturday, April 19, 2025, at Wayside Park South for the annual shoreline cleanup event! Sign-in begins at 7:45 am. Cleanup will be from 8:00 am - 11:00 am.

Volunteers should bring sunscreen, a hat, a reusable water bottle, and a kayak if you have one!

Clean-up supplies will be provided. (Gloves, Bags, etc.)

Chick-fil-A will supply a limited number of biscuits for volunteers!





COMMON POLLUTANTS IN STORMWATER



Oil & Grease can leak from vehicles and wash into storm drains.



Excess pesticides & fertilizers from lawns & gardens contaminate water sources.



Pet Waste contains harmful bacteria pollution.



Household Hazardous Waste items like paint, contributing to water cleaners and motor oil can be highly toxic to the environment.

BE THE SOLUTION TO POINTLESS POLLUTION!

- Dispose of household hazardous waste properly by utilizing designated collection sites or events in your community.
- Limit chemical use and choose eco-friendly alternatives for cleaning and lawn care.
- Maintain vehicles by fixing leaks and properly disposing of oil and antifreeze.
- Use rain barrels and permeable surfaces to reduce runoff and filter pollutants naturally.

Santa Rosa residents can dispose of household hazardous waste, including sharps, from Monday to Saturday, 7 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the HHW center located at the entrance of the Central Landfill, 6337 Da Lisa Road in Milton. Regular light-duty truck or car tires are accepted for \$5 each, year-round.

Amnesty Day is provided by Santa Rosa County in partnership with the Florida Department of Environmental Protection and the Okaloosa County Environmental Office. For more information, contact (850) 981-7135.



ITS THE LAW!

Did you know leaving pet waste in your neighbor's yard isn't just rude—it's illegal!

The city enforces fines, so don't get caught. Be a responsible pet ownerclean up after your furry friend! 🐾

Report Stormwater Pollution/Concerns by calling 850.934.5108 or send an email to stormwater@gulfbreezefl.gov