

Ways You Can Help

- Report non-emergency pollution problems to the Greenville County Land Development Division at (864) 467-4610
- Never dump anything down storm drains since they drain to our streams and lakes.
- Wash your car on the lawn instead of the driveway.
- Do not use chemicals on your lawn before rain is expected.
- Use organic lawn and garden fertilizers.
- Make sure air conditioners are in good working order and are not leaking harmful chemicals.
- Don not attempt to block the natural path of water or divert water onto another property.
- Call the Land Development Division and get involved in volunteer projects!



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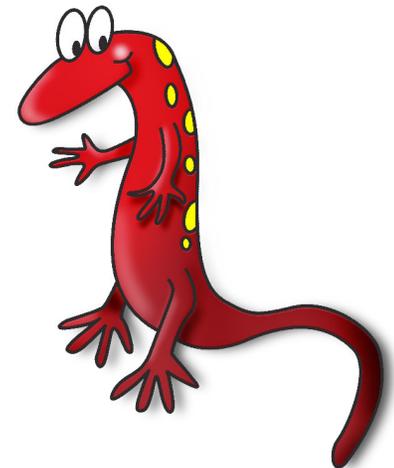
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Stormwater Management in Greenville County



Learn all about Sammy the Salamander at his website:

http://www.greenvillecounty.org/Soil_and_Water/

Stormwater Management:

Greenville County's Challenge

As Greenville County grows, the demands on our limited water resources grow. Good water resource management starts with good storm water management. Managing storm water runoff as it comes off roofs or parking lots in a manner that protects the water quality of our streams and lakes is of vital importance to the sustainability of our community.

In recognition of the importance of the role of storm water in the overall management of our limited water resources and to comply with federal and state mandates, the county created a storm water utility.

Erosion Control

The Land Development Division reviews the engineering plans for all land-disturbing activities in the county before grading permits can be issued. It also inspects these developing sites to see that the plans are being implemented as part of the storm water management and sediment control ordinance.

Streambank Erosion

The Greenville County Soil and Water Conservation District provides technical assistance, with the help of the USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service, to landowners who have soil erosion or water quantity/quality problems.

Flood Plain Management

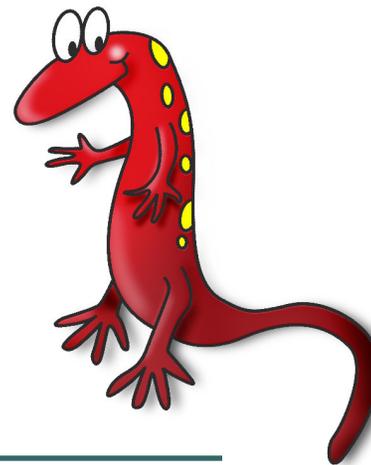
The Floodplain Manager operates within the Codes Enforcement Department to administer the local floodplain management program. This office provides technical assistance on floodplain issues and interfaces with State and Federal officials to ensure the county complies with National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)

requirements. All development within or adjacent to Special Flood Hazard Areas within the unincorporated portions of the county is reviewed by the Floodplain Manager, who issues permits and performs inspections as required.

Storm Water Maintenance

Greenville County's Land Development Division and the Road Maintenance Division work together each year on several significant projects to solve neighborhood drainage problems. Through the NDIP (Neighborhood Drainage Improvement Program), these projects address concerns in areas where multiple property owners are collectively affected and large equipment must be utilized to correct the problems.

Providing assistance to residents with small, individual lot drainage issues, the county's off-right-of-way program provides the equipment, labor and material with the resident paying for the cost of the materials only. Call 467-2673 for assistance.



Environmental Education

Greenville County provides the community with many opportunities for environmental education and public involvement.

The Greenville County Soil and Water Conservation District conducts an extensive education program including teacher workshops; essay contests; Envirothon teams; opportunities for teens to study at natural resource workshops held at Lander University and the Carolina Coastal Adventure; Earth Day and Arbor Day events; school programs on watershed protection; and an Earth Team volunteer program involved in water sampling of local trout streams to protect the habitat. Check their website at www.greenvillecounty.org, click on the Soil & Water Department for a newsletter and a posting of educational opportunities and scholarships.

Also offered is a Storm Drain Marking program encouraging participation from school environmental clubs, Scouts, Home Owner Associations, and church groups. Storm drain medallions are affixed by volunteers to storm drain boxes across the county with a message promoting good water quality for Greenville County. The conservation district delivers the storm drain medallions, glue, and safety vests to each group. For more information on this volunteer effort, call the Greenville Soil & Water Conservation District at 864-467-2755, Extension 103.

