



gwinnettcounty
Department of **Water Resources**

Join the Fight Against Pollution!

Calling all Grayson residents! Join the fight against stormwater pollution in Grayson by protecting the stormwater drainage system. This system takes rainwater runoff and empties it into nearby lakes and rivers to prevent flooding. Any pollutants present in the runoff are also directed to our surface waters.

The biggest threats to stormwater are illicit discharges, which include animal waste, automobile fluids, yard clippings, soapy water, and garbage. These items get washed off the ground during rain events and flow into the stormwater drainage system. The water in the system doesn't get cleaned at a treatment plant, so any pollutants go into waterways and contaminate the water. That's why it's very important to keep these drains and the areas around them free of illicit discharges.

Follow these tips to help fight pollution in your neighborhood:

- NEVER dump anything down a storm drain
- Don't throw your yard clipping into the street
- Recycle automobile fluids at the local auto parts store
- Wash your car over grass or gravel
- Pick up after your pets
- Put litter in its place

The City of Grayson works closely with the Gwinnett County Department of Water Resources (DWR) to the City's *Illicit Discharge and Illegal Connections* ordinance. This ordinance prohibits the discharge of anything other than rainwater into the stormwater drainage system. The County responds to concerns of pollution entering the stormwater system. If you notice anyone dumping into a storm drain or drainage ditch, call DWR at 678.376.7000 to report it.

