



HOPKINSVILLE
SURFACE AND STORMWATER
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Aggressively preventing and reducing flood and drainage problems within our community.

If it's on the ground...it's in your water!

Look for Me!



Labeled Stormwater drain "grated" (Farmers Market)



Labeled Stormwater drain "curb inlet"



Clogged culvert



Litter and sediment entering storm drain

Storm drain inlets across Hopkinsville are being labeled with this colorful marker with a pollution prevention message. These labeled inlets are just a portion of our city's stormwater drains. Each inlet represents a potential point for pollution to enter our waterways every time it rains. Water which enters these inlets can contain pollutants such as motor oil, yard clippings, pet waste, trash, lawn chemicals and other debris or toxins.

Without your help, this polluted water contaminates our waterway or drinking water supplies. These storm drains *are not* connected to water treatment systems; instead they are discharged directly into the Little River. In addition, trash and sediment clog culverts and pipes leading to local flooding during heavy rains.



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Your Hopkinsville Surface and Stormwater Utility has been busy with projects aimed at reducing flooding and easing drainage problems throughout our community. Removing logjams from the Little River and larger drainage projects are currently underway.

Please call the Surface and Stormwater Utility office at (270) 887-4035 to report a drainage problem, report a logjam in your area, or to report an erosion problem or illicit discharge. Please visit the Stormwater Utility website at www.hopkinsville-stormwater.com or go to the Hopkinsville-Christian County Planning Commission's Storm Water Management webpage at www.hoptown.org/agencies/planning-commission/storm-water-management for more information.



Before logjam removal



After logjam removal

Help our water quality and avoid fines...control erosion and prevent water pollution.

To reduce stormwater runoff and improve water quality, you can...



Never dump anything down storm drains (Ordinance 36-2007)



Avoid pesticides...learn about Integrated Pest Management



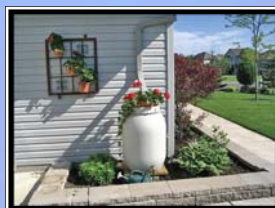
Sweep sidewalks and driveways instead of using the hose



Clean up after your pet



Wash the car at a car wash or on the grass



Use rain barrels...they reduce runoff and provide rainwater for plants



Pick up trash and keep drains and gutters clean



Check cars for oil leaks and recycle oil.



Prevent erosion. Fill in bare spots.



Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces