

CITY OF SANTEE

What is Storm Water Pollution?

WHAT IS STORM WATER?

Storm water is the untreated, contaminated water that flows over streets, parking lots, and other surfaces picking up pollutants along the way.

WHERE DOES IT GO?

The storm drain system is <u>separate</u> from the sewer system. All the water that enters these drains ends up in our creeks, rivers, and ultimately the Pacific Ocean completely untreated!



WHY IS IT A PROBLEM?

The San Diego river flows right through Santee on its way to the Pacific Ocean. It is home to many species, and provides recreation for us. Any pollutant no matter how small can have a big impact downstream.





WHAT IS A STORM DRAIN?

A storm drain is any outdoor drain.

These drains exist for flood control purposes only.



WHERE ARE THEY?

Storm Drains are everywhere! They are in parking lots, curbs, inlets, aside buildings, and even in grass fields.

WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?

- ⇒ Always Pick-Up After Your Pets
- ⇒ Sweep it, Dond Hose it Down
- ⇒ Place Drip Pans Under Vehicles
- ⇒ Properly Dispose of Trash, Recycle, Greens, and keep covered
- ⇒ Keep Drains clear of all Litter and Debris