

Storm Drain Stenciling

Storm Drain Stenciling is a way that the community can work together to protect our waterways. Volunteers work to leave messages such as “Dump No Waste, Drains to Lake” on storm drains to educate and remind residents that what they dump into the storm sewer will drain to our lakes, streams and wetlands.

Where does storm water go?

Storm water flows directly to the City’s waterways and not to a wastewater treatment plant. Any pollutants within the storm water will pollute our waterways. This includes yard waste as well as household chemicals and materials from our streets such as oil, antifreeze and gasoline.



Fertilizers, pet waste and yard waste, such as grass clippings and leaves, add nutrients to water, promoting algae and plant growth.

When the algae and plants die, they use up precious oxygen, resulting in strong odors, fish kills and beach closures. Chemicals from our lawns, driveways and streets can also be carried into the storm drains. These chemicals can be toxic to plants, insects and fish.



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STORM DRAIN STENCILING

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**A Cooperative Effort to Help Protect Our
Community’s Waterway’s**

WHAT DO I NEED?

Stenciling kits are available from the City. Instructional materials and handouts for the neighborhood are also provided by the City.

What's is a stenciling kit?

The City now uses *das* Curb Markers ®. The markers are very easy to install. Simply clean the surface where the marker will be installed with a wire brush, apply the adhesive in a circular pattern on the bottom of the marker, and stick it down. When the adhesive has cured, the marker is permanently bonded to the surface. No special tools, stencils or messy spray paints are required. The markers are guaranteed to stay in place for 10 years with proper installation, so fewer re-applications are required to maintain the message.



The kit typically contains 1 wire brush, 6 sets of disposable gloves, a plastic trash bag, 1 tube of adhesive, 10 curb markers, and 50 flyers. The flyers are to distribute to neighbors within the stenciling project area to inform them of what the team is doing and to educate the public on surface water pollution. Additional safety supplies, such as safety vests, are available upon request.

WHO DO I CONTACT?

Storm drain stenciling kits are available for loan at the City on a first come basis. Please call Leslie Stovring, the Environmental Coordinator, at 949-8327 to borrow a kit. Kits can be borrowed for up to three weeks.

What information do I need to Provide to the City?

You will need to provide the following information to the Environmental Coordinator, at least two weeks prior to your storm drain stenciling project.

- The number of kits you will need (typically 1 kit for 2 to 4 volunteers).
- The name, address and phone number of the lead contact for the project.
- The number and location of the storm drains you will be marking.
- The approximate dates on which you plan to mark storm drains.
- The number of flyers you will need to inform residents within the immediate area of the project.
- Number of participants. Each participant and accompanying non-participant who is with the project team may be required to sign a liability waiver.

SPONSORS

The Storm Drain Stenciling Project is Being Sponsored by the

City of Eden Prairie's Conservation Commission and the Nine Mile-Creek Watershed District



For more information:

www.edenprairie.org

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www.dasmanufacturing.com/storm/