

The San Marcos River is not only our treasured water for recreation, it is also home to several threatened and endangered species like Texas wild rice, which grows only in the San Marcos River. It is our responsibility to protect them all from contaminated stormwater runoff.

Stormwater is rainwater that runs off our streets, parking lots and other concrete surfaces directly into our rivers and creeks, untreated and unfiltered. Along the way, it can pick up trash and bacteria that can end up in our rivers and creeks.



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A FEW COMMON CONTAMINANTS



OIL AND GASOLINE



CIGARETTE BUTTS





PUBLIC PARTICIPATION EVENTS

RIVER CLEANUP
Each March

KEEP SAN MARCOS BEAUTIFUL (KSMB) ADOPT-A-SPOT Ongoing

HOW CAN YOU HELP?



DON'T LITTER

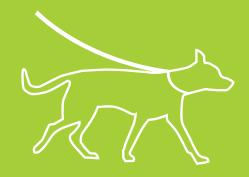
Put your trash in a receptacle where it can be collected. A cigarette butt out the car window will likely end up in the river. Think about it. If every person in San Marcos littered just once a day, our city and river would be polluted with more than

18 million pieces of trash each year!



USE FERTILIZER/ PESTICIDES SPARINGLY

Overuse of fertilizers and pesticides can harm and kill the threatened and endangered aquatic life that live in the river.



STOOP AND SCOOP

Picking up your pet's waste keeps harmful bacteria out of the rivers where we swim and where animals live.

BRUSH DROP-OFF

WHAT

Material accepted: tree stumps, branches, leaves and grass clippings (do not bag)

WHFN

Second Saturday of each month (8 a.m.-1 p.m.)

WHERE

750 River Road (behind animal shelter)

WHO

Open to San Marcos residents. Bring a recent utility bill as proof of residency.

TO REPORT SPILLS

Texas State Environmental Health, Safety & Risk Management Office

Phone: 512.245.3616

City of San Marcos

Phone: 512.393.8036 www.sanmarcostx.gov/SMTXConnect

BULKY WASTE PICKUP

WHAT

Furniture, large appliances and yard waste

WHFN

First and third weeks of the month

HOW

Call Texas Disposal Systems by 2 p.m. the previous business day 800.375.8375

WH0

Free to San Marcos utility customers (four times per year per resident)

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DROP-OFF

Open Tuesdays and Fridays 12-3:30 p.m., City Hall Traffic Yard, 630 E. Hopkins, across from the big H-E-B.