

How Can You Protect Stormwater Infrastructure?

- Keep stormwater pipes and structures around your property clear of dirt, yard debris, and trash.
- Do not blow, dump, or drain anything into a catch basin.
- Do not litter. Litter thrown on the ground can end up in our drainage system and streams. Reduce, reuse and recycle whenever possible
- Remove any pipes or connections that discharge anything other than stormwater to storm drainage system or streams. Examples of illegal connections can include swimming pool overflows, sanitary sewer overflows, and washing machine or sink discharges.

Call the ATL311 customer service center to report illegal dumping, flooding, damaged catch basins or intentional discharge of pollutants into stormwater infrastructure or other stormwater pollution. Simple dial 311 from your phone to report an issue.



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What You Need To Know About
Stormwater and
Related Infrastructure

What Is Stormwater And Why Can It Be A Problem?

More frequently, heavy downpours and intense storms threaten to cause extreme flooding and degrade our water quality. Impervious areas such as streets, sidewalks, parking lots and rooftops prevent rainfall from soaking into the ground. Instead, rainfall becomes stormwater runoff by flowing across these impervious surfaces. Increased rainfall volumes created during a heavy storm can cause flooding of our streets and erosion in our streams. Additionally, the resulting runoff gathers various pollutants and deposits them directly to our streams.

Pollutants in stormwater may include:

- Antifreeze, grease oil, and heavy metals from vehicle maintenance;
- Fertilizers, pesticides, and other common lawn care products;
- Bacteria from pet wastes; and
- Sediment from construction sites.

Who Is Responsible For Stormwater Infrastructure?

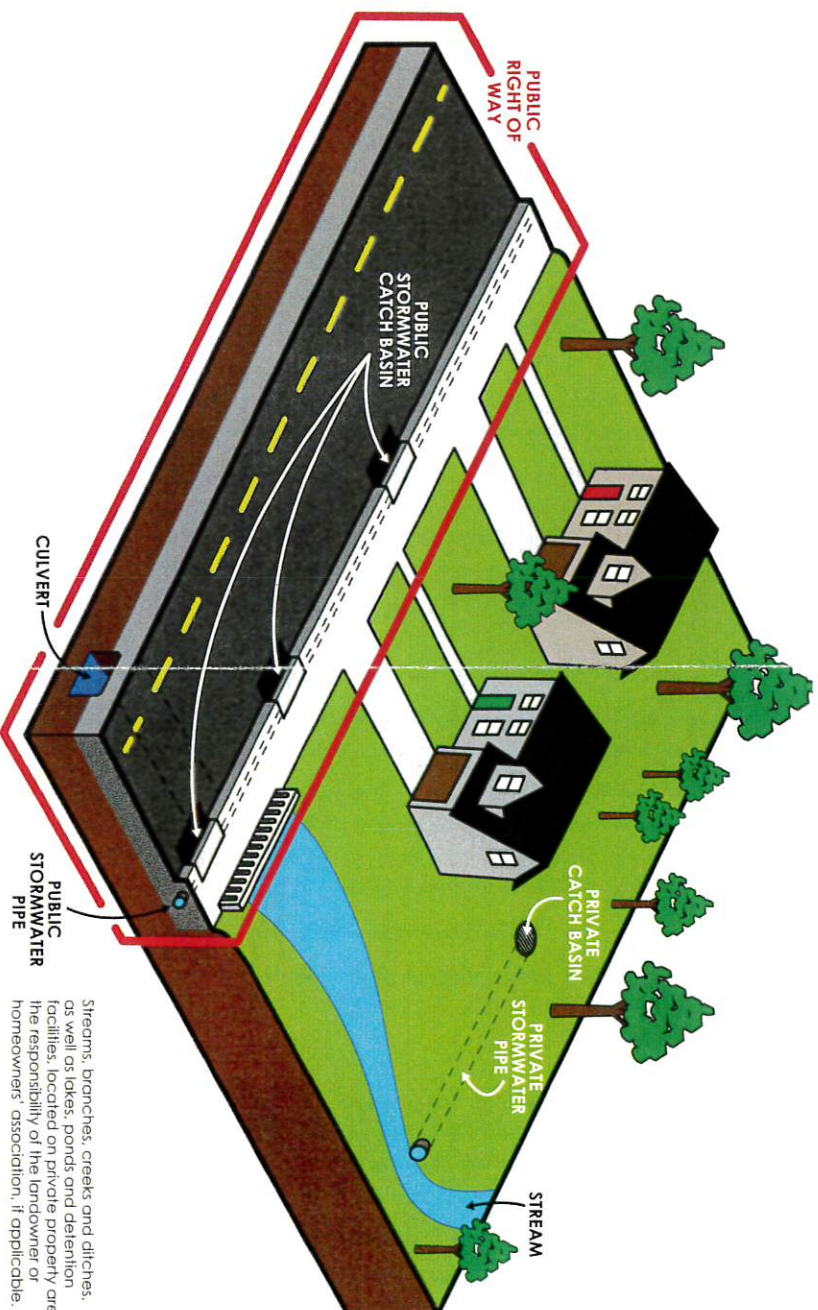
Stormwater infrastructure consists of a network of pipes, catch basins, yard inlets, open ditches and other structures that collect and transport stormwater runoff at the nearest stream, lake or river. Certain portions of stormwater infrastructure are maintained by the City, while other portions are the responsibility of private property owners or homeowners' associations.

In general, the City of Temple is responsible for stormwater infrastructure that:

- Is located within the City of Temple's right-of-way along municipal roadways;
- Has been formally deeded to and accepted by the City of Temple; and
- Is located on City of Temple property.



Stormwater Infrastructure: Public vs. Private



Examples of Stormwater Infrastructure

CATCH BASINS

OUTFALL

CULVERT

BIORETENTION

