

Pet Waste Management



A Doggone Good Idea

Whenever you think of water pollution, you probably don't think of your pet. However, if pet wastes are not disposed of correctly, they can cause pollution. Although each household only generates a small amount of pet waste, it can add up to a big water quality problem.

Droppings from pets can cause two kinds of problems.

1. Pet wastes contain nutrients that can promote the growth of algae if they enter streams and the ocean.

- Algae blooms change the color of streams and the ocean so you don't want to swim in the water.
- Algae can also clog streams and destroy habitats for aquatic organisms, such as fish.

2. Animal droppings are a source of pests and disease.

- Pets, children playing outside, and adults gardening are most at risk for infection from some of the bacteria and parasites found in pet waste.



Preventing Pet Pollution

- Pick up after your pet every time; don't leave pet waste on a sidewalk, street, or driveway where it can be washed into storm drains.
- Most pet supply stores carry products that make pick up easy.
- Clean up waste in areas near water bodies, ditches and storm drains.
- Don't allow pet waste to accumulate in pens.
- Dispose of pet waste in the garbage or flush it down the toilet. Never wash it into the gutter or down a storm drain.
- Carry extra bags in your car so you're prepared when traveling with your pet.
- Get involved in a pet group and remind others to pick up after their pets



License Your Dog

Stop by Public Services at the Rocklin Corporation yard to receive a complimentary Bags on Board pet waste bag canister and a refill.

The canisters attach to leashes, collars, purses, and more, so you never have a reason not to Scoop the Poop!

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The City of Rocklin has partnered with PetData to for dog licensing. Simply visit PetData.com to register your dog today.

Licenses make it easy for animal control officers to locate a lost dog's owner information and get them home quickly.



Did You Know?

Over 60% of all U.S. households own a dog, cat or other pet and over 40% have at least one dog.

