



City of Goshen

STORMWATER TOOLBOX

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Stormwater Survey Release Postponed

Due to the historic flooding event that began on February 19th and is on going, the Goshen Stormwater Department will be releasing the 2018 Stormwater Survey at a later date. In the meantime a **BIG THANK YOU** to all employees and citizens who have been involved in responding to this unprecedented flood event, with the water cresting at 12.49 feet, which is 0.55 feet higher than the flood of March 1982, which was previously the worst flood in Goshen’s history.

Storm Drains are the Mouth of the River



What goes into a drain flows into the river



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A DROP OF NEWS

Your Stormwater Newsletter

What's in Stormwater Runoff?

Stormwater runoff is the water that comes from melting snow and rain storms that then runs over our streets, roofs, and other hard surfaces and picks up trash, grass clippings, oils, fertilizers, pesticides, salt, pet waste, and many other pollutants. If stormwater runoff does not soak into the ground it will flow into a storm drain and eventually reach a local waterway. As a good example of this you need look no further than the Elkhart River or any creek or ditch this past week during the flood. The water was brown because of all the sediment in the water, and it had trash, tree branches, and other vegetation floating in it.



The City of Goshen does all we can to reduce the amount of material reaching our local waterways. For example in 2017, the Utility Department's vactor trucks removed 217.5 cubic yards of material from the sumps of storm drains and the Street Department's street sweepers removed 3,408 tons of material from City streets. The City of Goshen has also installed stormwater treatment units on a number of storm pipes flowing to local waterways to help capture sediment, oils, and some trash. Even with these efforts stormwater pollutants make their way into our local waterways. Please do your part to prevent stormwater pollution and your local waterway will thank you.

Report an Illicit Discharge

An illicit discharge is anything other than rain that could flow or be washed into a storm drain. If you see something that doesn't look right please call 574-534-2201, send an email to jasonkauffman@goshencity.com, or submit a Stormwater Report through the City of Goshen's new "Report an Issue" button in the upper corner of the City's website (www.goshenindiana.org).

