

City of Goshen STORMWATER TOOLBOX

Public Works & Utilities Department of Stormwater

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Job Site Reminders

When working on projects throughout the city or at a municipal facility employees and contractors should keep the following in mind:

- 1) Don't drain muddy water to the street or a storm drain.
- 2) Pick up and dispose of construction and personal trash.
- 3) Don't wash off concrete chutes or tools onto pavement, onto bare soil or vegetation, or into a storm drain. Instead, always washout in a properly lined washout pit or use an on-truck washout system.4) Collect any slurry created during concrete cutting and don't allow it
- to go to a storm drain.
- 5) Remove grass clippings and other yard waste from hard surfaces and do not blow them into the street, storm drain, or waterway. 6) Protect storm drains and remember only rain down the drain.

Together we can keep our local waterways clean and protect the water quality of those living downstream of the City of Goshen.





A DROP OF NEWS

Your Stormwater Newsletter

Happy New Water Year!

The water year stretches

from October 1st to September 30th (wet season to wet season) and this past year has been wetter than normal and included a historic flood (photo in lower right) where the Elkhart River crested at 12.49 feet (photo in upper left). To give you an idea of how much rain and snow fell on Goshen, here are precipitation amounts from rain gauges around the City (Note: the City gauges do not always record all of the snow melt and therefore the City gauge numbers are lower):

- Northwest City Rain Gauge located on Bashor Road = 35.42 inches
- Northeast City Rain Gauge located near Maplecrest Golf Course = 32.02 inches
- Southwest CoCoRaHS Station #59 in Clover Trails = 41.98 inches
- Southeast Goshen Municipal Airport (data from Weather Underground)
 = 35.66 inches



Stormwater Education Field Trip Incentive





On September 18th & 19th the Goshen Middle School New Tech 8th Graders took a field trip to the Elkhart Environmental Center as part of the Stormwater

Education Field Trip Incentive (SEFTI) program to learn about the Elkhart River and to collect data so they can evaluate the overall health of the river. If your school is interested in the SEFTI program and receiving assistance for water quality related field trips, you can contact the Elkhart County SWCD for more information at 574-533-4383, ext. 3.

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).

