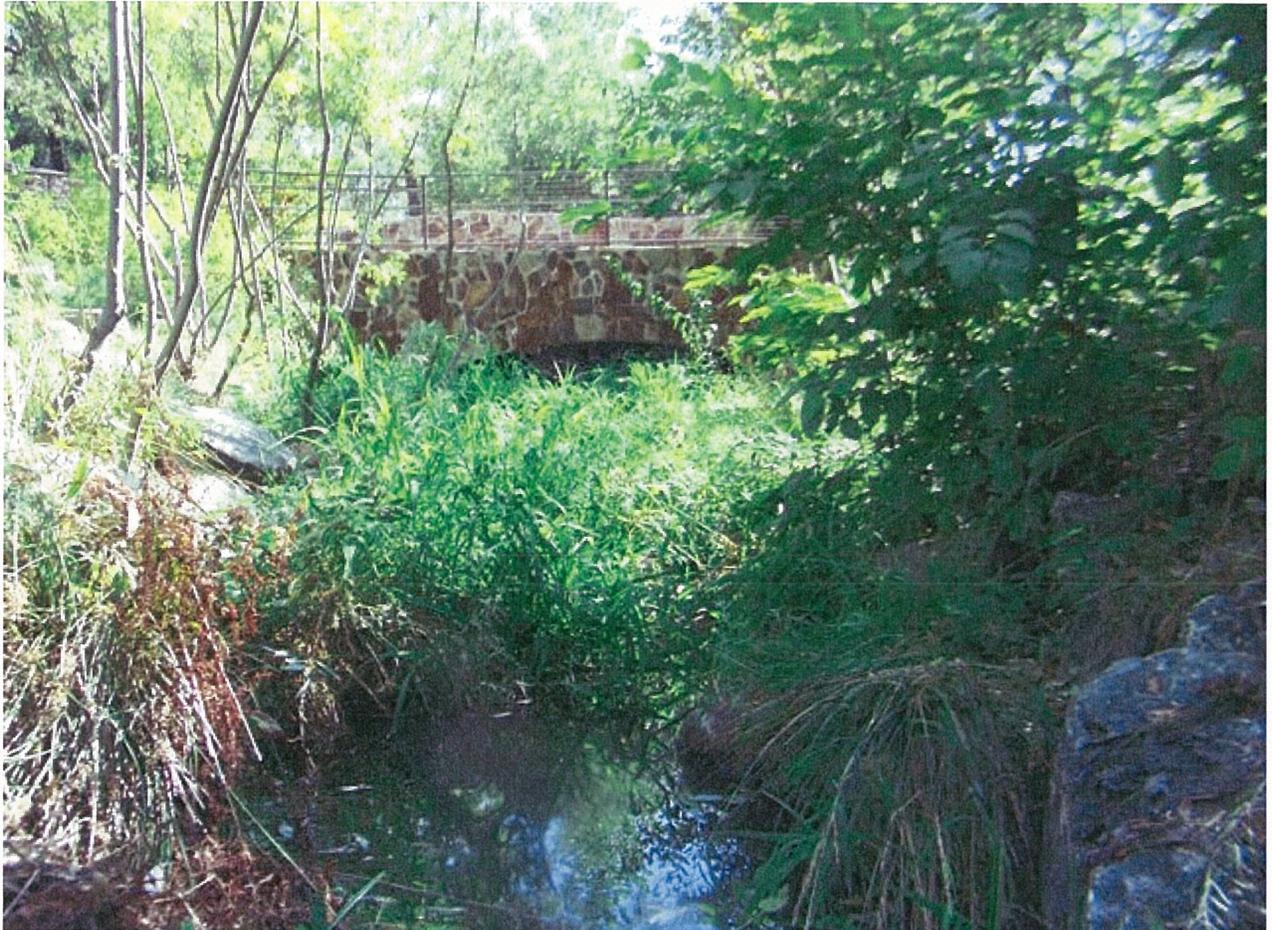


Small MS4 Stormwater Management Program Annual Report



City of Auburn

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City of Auburn

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Report Overview

The City of Auburn is a designated small MS4 (Municipal Small Separate Storm Sewer System) required to develop, implement, enforce, evaluate and report a Stormwater Management Plan (SWMP) to reduce the discharge of pollutants to the maximum extent practicable. This report is prepared in compliance with the State Water Resource Control Board Small Municipal General Permit requirements from here on referred to as the State General Permit. An annual report of the program is due each year on September 15th for the previous fiscal year.

Since the approval of the SWMP by the Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board in 2004 the City has made continuous progress in implementing the goals in the SWMP. This years report covers Year 8 (July 2010 through June 2011) activities.

Text in the remainder of this report gives the information required by the State General Permit and committed to by Chapter 6 of the SWMP. Copies of program materials are included in the appendices.

Effectiveness Assessment

The effectiveness of the Stormwater Management Plan for the Year 8 Annual Report is based on the California Stormwater Quality Association's (CASQA) guidelines contained in the CASQA publication titled "Municipal Stormwater Program Effectiveness Guide." The Stormwater Management Plan was not initially prepared to reflect CASQA's Effectiveness Assessment; future Stormwater Management Plans will incorporate CASQA's Effectiveness Assessment.

The CASQA Effectiveness Assessment is a method to assess whether Best Management Practices (BMP's) are resulting in preferred outcomes and if those outcomes are being achieved efficiently and cost-effectively. There are six outcome levels that refer to the results of a control measure, program element, or overall program. Each outcome/effectiveness level has significance in informing and/or supporting management decisions. Not all outcome levels are used in every assessment and the outcome levels are not necessarily conducted in sequence.

The effectiveness levels are as follows:

Level 1: Compliance with Activity

Level 2: Raising Awareness

Level 3: Changing Behavior

Level 4: Reducing Loads from Sources

Level 5: Improving Runoff Quality

Level 6: Protecting Receiving Water Quality

At this stage of implementation, it is not expected that any of the BMP's will be able to demonstrate success above Level 3. The purpose of the effectiveness assessment process is to confirm the desired results of the overall program and to identify any modifications that may be needed thus ensuring an interactive process throughout the permit implementation.

Element 1: Public Education and Outreach on Stormwater Impacts

Permit Years scheduled for implementation

Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6 Year 7 Year 8

Has Goal Been Accomplished: Yes

General Summary

Implement a public education program to distribute educational materials to the community or conduct equivalent outreach activities about the impact of stormwater discharges on water bodies and the steps that the public can take to reduce pollutants in stormwater runoff.

1-1. Assess, Prioritize, and Outreach to Target Sources of Pollutants

Goal A: Maintain database of businesses and others as targets for outreach materials.

Goal B: Evaluate and update database annually.

Goal C: Provide outreach to two groups annually.

Goal D: Maintain brochure and flyer available for distribution for general education purposes.

Goal E: Maintain materials at identified distribution points.

Goal F: Identify and evaluate the need for new distribution locations.

Goal G: Evaluate the need to create and distribute additional materials.

1-2. Submit Materials to Local Media

Goal A: Write and submit two media resources annually to inform the public about stormwater events and general stormwater pollution topics.

Effectiveness:

Public education and outreach portion of the Stormwater Management Program focuses on distributing a consistent message regarding storm water quality to a broad audience – the general public. The effectiveness of public education is difficult to measure, but public education is essential to achieving behavioral changes. The effectiveness based on the CASQA's (California Stormwater Quality Association) Municipal Stormwater Program Effectiveness Assessment Guidance manual would put public education and outreach at a level 1 – Compliance with Activity – based on Permit requirements and a level 2 – Raising Awareness. Portions of the public education and outreach may

eventually lead to a level 3 – Behavior Change, but the City has no current findings to support that level of effectiveness.

Effectiveness Assessment Summary

Outreach Program Activities	Effectiveness Assessment Outcome Levels			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
	Compliance	Increase Awareness	Behavior Change	Load Reductions
1-1: Outreach to Target Sources	X	X	X	
1-2: Local Media Outreach	X	X		
1-3: Additional Public Outreach	X	X	X	

Proposed Modifications:

None.

Status of Measurable Goals

1-1. Assess, Prioritize, and outreach to Target Sources of Pollutants

Goal A: Maintain Database.

The database is currently maintained within the Administrative Services Department with the business licenses.

Goal B: Evaluate and update database.

The database is updated annually within the Administrative Services Department when business licenses are renewed and ongoing as new businesses apply for a license.

Goal C: Provide Outreach to two groups (contractors, businesses and school children).

The City of Auburn Public Works Department hosted Placer High School Science classes on a tour of the City's wastewater treatment plant and newly completed improvements in October of 2010. The tour integrated aspects of plant operations which included stormwater and wastewater applications.

The City of Auburn Public Works Department sponsored the annual Healthy Auburn Waters Event/Creek Walk at the Auburn School Park Preserve for Skyridge Elementary School second grade students in May 2011. There were approximately 100 students at the event. The students learned about stormwater, water efficiency, the water cycle, littering and recycling and how they can help their environment.

Additionally, the City hosted booths at several events throughout the year, including Cruise Night in August of 2010 and the Mandarin Festival in November of 2010. The booths provided information to residents regarding properly disposing of household hazardous waste and information about the Healthy Auburn Waters campaign.

Goal D: Maintain brochure and flyer.

The Public Works Departments maintains brochures and flyers for disbursement.

Goal E: Maintain materials.

All outreach material is currently maintained in the Public Works Department.

Goal F: Identify new distribution locations.

Currently the City maintains distribution locations at the Public Counter and the Finance Department in City Hall along with the Corporation Yard. In Year 8, the City did not implement any new distribution location, but will continue to monitor the need for new distribution locations.

Goal G: Evaluate need for new distribution materials.

Public Works staff continually reviews materials from various local jurisdictions and evaluates the appropriateness for the City of Auburn. Staff attends the Placer County Regional Stormwater Coordination Group which allows all the local jurisdictions to share any new materials they are working on and creating. In Year 8, the City included multiple informational flyers in the Recology invoices to residents in the City, including composting and FOG/e-waste informational items and pesticides and gardeners pest control informational items.

1-2 Submit Materials to Local Media

Goal A: Write and submit two media resources.

The City of Auburn submitted press releases and paid for advertisements in the Auburn Journal throughout the fiscal year 2010/2011. The City placed an advertisement for a composting workshop in October and November of 2010. The City also placed an advertisement for a gardener's pest control workshop in April and May of 2011 as well as a worm composting workshop for kids in June of 2011. Free ladybugs were distributed at each of these workshops for attendees. In August of 2010, the City promoted free pick-up of FOG and universal/electronic waste. In June 2011, the City promoted keeping pesticides out of rivers and creeks. The City also sponsored Public Service Announcements on FOG on KAHI, the local radio station in the fall of 2010.

1-3 Expand Website.

The City of Auburn maintains a website with information and data regarding the Stormwater program. The Public Works Department utilizes www.healthyauburnwaters.org as a central location for residents and businesses to get information regarding the stormwater program. The Healthy Auburn Water website got a total of 549 hits with 430 from first time visitors in Year 8 of the program.

Goal A: Maintain webpage.

The current City website contains information regarding Stormwater and includes the hotline number to call if there are illegal discharges, but does not include a direct link. The www.healthyauburnwaters.org website contains information regarding stormwater as well.

1-3. Additional Public Outreach

Goal A: Monitor available public education opportunities.

The Public Works staff continues to monitor public education opportunities. The City of Auburn hosted Live Sewer Smart and Recycle booths at Cruise night in August 2010 and at the Mandarin Festival in November 2010. The booths provided information to residents regarding properly disposing of household hazardous waste and information about the Healthy Auburn Waters campaign. The City participated in two Free Pharmaceutical Drop-Offs to encourage the proper disposing of pharmaceuticals in September of 2010 and April of 2011. The City also hosted a Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic Waste Drop-Off event in October of 2010. City employees also distributed FOG (Fats, Oils and Grease) bags to homeowners in areas deemed "hot spots." The City also sponsored Public Service Announcements on FOG on KAHI, the local radio station in the fall of 2010. The City included multiple informational flyers in the Recology (solid waste) bills to residents in the City, including composting and FOG/e-waste informational items and pesticides and gardeners pest control informational items. The City hosted composting workshops; one for adults and the other for children in October of 2010 and July of 2011 respectively. The City also joined a coalition of local governments in a Green Business Certification Program for local businesses. The program has been promoted on the Auburn Chamber of Commerce website as well as the Sacramento Area Sustainable Business website. The City also participates with the Placer Regional Stormwater Coordination Group (PRSCG). The City continues to offer outreach events for local elementary school children in the annual Healthy Auburn Waters/Creek Walk Event and local contractors/developers in our annual outreach events.

Goal B: Identify and execute one additional public education activity.

The Public Works staff continues to monitor additional public education activities available to the City. The City assists with additional public education activities or events as determined to be an effective means of education. For the first time, the City hosted Live Sewer Smart and Recycle booths in August 2010 at Cruise Night and November 2010 at the Mandarin Festival.

Element 2: Public Improvement/Participation

Permit Years scheduled for implementation

Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6 Year 7 Year 8

Has Goal Been Accomplished: Yes

General Summary

The City of Auburn will comply with State and local public notice requirements when implementing a public involvement/participation program.

2-1. Develop & Facilitate a Citizen's Advisory Group

Goal A: Formulate a Citizen's Advisory Group.

2-2. Develop & Implement a Storm Drain Stenciling Program

Goal A: Sponsor a stenciling event annually.

2-3. Additional Public Participation Activities

Goal A: Monitor available public education opportunities.

Goal B: Facilitate one day or weekend long event per year.

Goal C: Provide annual report to Council.

Effectiveness:

Public education and outreach portion of the Stormwater Management Program focuses on distributing a consistent message regarding storm water quality to a broad audience – the general public. The effectiveness of public education is difficult to measure, but public education is essential to achieving behavioral changes. The effectiveness based on the CASQA's (California Stormwater Quality Association) Municipal Stormwater Program Effectiveness Assessment Guidance manual would put public education and outreach at a level 1 – Compliance with Activity – based Permit requirements and a level 2 – Raising Awareness. Portions of the public education and outreach may eventually lead to a level 3 – Behavior Change, but the City has no current findings to support that level of effectiveness.

Effectiveness Assessment Summary

Outreach Program Activities	Effectiveness Assessment Outcome Levels			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
	Compliance	Increase Awareness	Behavior Change	Load Reductions
2-1: Citizen's Advisory Group	X			
2-2: Implement Storm Drain Stenciling	X	X	X	
2-3: Additional Public Participation Activities	X	X		

Proposed Modifications:

The City proposes to utilize existing committees, such as the Development Review Committee and the Planning Commission as a means for citizens to advise and discuss with the City on stormwater issues instead of creating the Stormwater Citizen's Advisory Group. The City attempted to formulate the group, but the City did not receive any interest from the public and due to staffing availability it made economical sense to utilize existing committees as a means to satisfy the goal.

Status of Measurable Goals

2-1. Develop & Facilitate a Citizen's Advisory Group

Goal A: Formulate a Citizen's Advisory Group.

The City attempted to create a Stormwater Citizen's Advisory Group during the first year of the permit, but did not receive any interest from the public. The City will monitor the need to form a Stormwater Citizen's Advisory Group. The City utilizes the Development Review Committee and the Planning Commission as a means for Citizens to advise the City on stormwater issues.

2-2. Develop & Implement a Storm Drain Stenciling Program

Goal A: Sponsor a Stenciling Event Yearly.

The City of Auburn has stencils available to groups to stencil the City's drainage inlets. However, for fiscal year 2010/2011, there were no groups interested in the stenciling program. The City of Auburn will continue to offer stenciling in the future.

2-3. Additional Public Participation Activities

Goal A: Monitor Available Public Education Opportunities.

The Public Works staff continues to monitor public education opportunities. The City of Auburn hosted Live Sewer Smart and Recycle booths in August 2010 at Cruise Night and November 2010 at the Mandarin Festival.

Goal B: Facilitate one day or weekend long event per year.

The City of Auburn Public Works Department hosted Placer High School Science classes on a tour of the City's wastewater treatment plant and newly completed improvements in October of 2010. The tour integrated aspects of plant operations which included stormwater and wastewater applications.

The City sponsored the annual Healthy Auburn Waters Event/Creek Walk in May of 2011 at the Auburn School Park Preserve for one hundred Skyridge Elementary School second grade students. The students learned about stormwater, water efficiency, the water cycle, littering and recycling.

Goal C: Provide annual report to Council.

The Public Works Department presents quarterly reports to the City Council and stormwater is included in the presentations as needed.

Element 3: Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination

Permit Years scheduled for implementation

Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6 Year 7 Year 8

Has Goal Been Accomplished: Yes

General Summary

Implement a program to detect and eliminate illicit discharges in the regulated MS4. The program will consist of mapping of the storm drain system, developing legal authority to enforce illicit discharges, perform field reviews, and inform public employees, businesses and the general public of the hazards of illegal discharges and improper disposal of waste.

3-1. Storm Drain System mapping

Goal A: Produce maps of storm drains within City.

Goal B: Establish system for updating storm drain outfall information.

Goal C: Collect data and update and maintain maps as needed.

Goal D: New outfalls will be reported at end of each year.

3-2. Develop Legal Authority to Enforce Control of Illicit Discharge to Storm Drains

Goal A: Adopt an enforceable ordinance.

3-3. Perform Field Reviews and Site Inspections

Goal A: Educate the public and businesses on hazards associated with illegal discharges.

Goal B: Initiate basic field inspections to establish priority areas.

Goal C: Establish priority areas for inspection.

Goal D: Conduct 25 inspections per year after enactment of ordinance.

Goal E: Respond per procedures to illicit discharges and connections.

Goal F: Create list of inspection and enforcement priorities.

Goal G: Utilize list to recommend possible target audiences for public outreach.

3-4. Hazardous Materials Response

Goal A: Implement practices established in year one.

Goal B: Review practices with Police and Fire Department.

Goal C: Monitor location, frequency and type of response events.

3-5. Establish Hotline for Public Inquiries and Reports

Goal A: Meet and coordinate with Police to add stormwater to hotline's reportable activities.

Goal B: Establish hotline to allow citizen inquiries and reports.

Goal C: Advertise hotline information.

Goal D: Receive and respond to all reported events fielded through the hotline.

3-6. Train City Staff

Goal A: Provide one general stormwater training session annually for employees involved in program.

Goal B: Provide specific training yearly for all employees with program responsibility.

Effectiveness

Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination portion of the Stormwater Management Program focuses on locating the sources of illegal discharges and illicit connections to the storm drainage system and to take actions to eliminate those sources of pollution. The effectiveness based on CASQA's Municipal Stormwater Program Effectiveness Assessment guidance manual would be at level 1 – Compliance with Activity – based on Permit requirements, level 2 – Raising Awareness, and level 3 – Behavior Change due to education through inspections and site visits. Portions of the Illicit Discharge Detection and Elimination may eventually lead to a level 4 - Reducing Loads from Sources, but the City currently has no empirical data that supports that level of effectiveness.

Effectiveness Assessment Summary

Outreach Program Activities	Effectiveness Assessment Outcome Levels			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
	Compliance	Increase Awareness	Behavior Change	Load Reductions
3-1: Storm Drain System Mapping	X	X		
3-2: Develop Legal Authority to Enforce Control of Illicit Discharge to Storm Drains	X	X	X	X
3-3: Perform field reviews and site inspections	X	X	X	X
3-4: Hazardous Materials Response	X	X	X	X
3-5: Establish hotline for public inquiries and reports	X	X		
3-6: Train City Staff	X	X	X	

Proposed Modifications:

None.

Status of Measurable Goals

3-1. Storm Drain System Mapping

Goal A: Produce maps of storm drains within City.

Public Works Department Staff is continually working on updating the Stormwater drain maps. The City purchased a GPS unit to produce accurate maps of the storm drain facilities. Due to City staff cutbacks, the map has not been completed. The City continues to work on locating all the storm drains throughout the City.

Goal B: Establish system for updating storm drain outfall information.

The Public Works Department Staff currently updates the storm drain outfall information as information is gathered.

Goal C: Collect data and update and maintain maps as needed.

The Public Works staff continues to monitor and update stormwater drain maps as needed.

Goal D: New outfalls will be reported at end of each year.

The City had no new outfalls reported in Year 8, but the process to report them is in place.

3-2. Develop Legal Authority to Enforce Control of Illicit Discharge to Storm Drains

Goal A: Adopt an enforceable ordinance.

The City adopted the Stormwater Management and Discharge Ordinance on March 12, 2007. The ordinance can be found online in the Auburn Municipal Code, Chapter 53 located at the following URL:

[http://www.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll/California/auburn_ca/titlevpublicworks/chapter53stormwatermanagementanddischarg?f=templates\\$fn=altmain-nf.htm\\$q=53%20\\$x=server\\$3.0#LPHit1](http://www.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll/California/auburn_ca/titlevpublicworks/chapter53stormwatermanagementanddischarg?f=templates$fn=altmain-nf.htm$q=53%20$x=server$3.0#LPHit1)

3-3. Perform Field Reviews and Site Inspections

Goal A: Educate the public and businesses on hazards associated with illegal discharges.

During pre-construction meetings the Public Works Construction Inspector takes time to educate the contractor on hazards associated with illegal discharges. The contractor is also educated on Best Management Practices (BMP's) specific to the project site.

Goal B: Initiate basic field inspections to establish priority areas.

The Public Works Construction Inspector inspects most construction job sites on a daily basis. During the rainy season, all construction job sites are reviewed daily. The Construction Inspector identifies projects that need extra assistance to implement their SWPPP.

Goal C: Establish priority areas for inspection.

Public Works staff has identified residential home construction and commercial construction to be the two highest priority areas to focus for inspections and enforcement. Public Works Department works with the Building Department and the Code Enforcement Officer to enforce problem sites.

Goal D: Conduct 25 inspections per year after enactment of ordinance.

All construction site inspections are done on a daily basis by the Construction Inspector. The Stormwater Ordinance became effective April 11, 2007 allowing for inspections to be enforced through the Stormwater Ordinance.

Goal E: Respond per procedures to illicit discharges and connections.

The Public Works Department responds to all illicit discharges and connection reported by either the public or internal staff. The Fire Department also responds to illicit discharges and determines the priority level and if it is Hazardous Material sends in the HazMat Response Team; Public Works assists as needed and follows up with the business or property owner to educate the public regarding illicit discharges and/or illicit connections.

Goal F: Create list of inspection and enforcement priorities.

Inspection and Enforcement priorities have been developed by the Public Works Department and will be updated as needed

The priority list remains:

1. Car Detail Businesses
2. TV Collection System Program for illicit connections
3. Radiator Shops
4. Restaurants

Goal G: Utilize list to recommend possible target audiences for public outreach.

The inspection priorities are being used to recommend possible outreach groups, and enforcement priorities are being refined since the Stormwater Ordinance has been completed. The Healthy Auburn Waters Campaign mailed letters to all the priority list businesses to encourage them to take the "We Pledge for Healthy Auburn Waters." Currently the Healthy Auburn Waters business campaign has forty-five businesses that have taken the pledge.

3-4. Hazardous Materials Response

Goal A: Implement practices established in year one.

The City has established responsibilities and practices for each department during City wide training. Department heads have discussed how to affectively communicate before, during and after an incident. The Auburn Fire Department is the lead department on Hazardous Material call-outs.

Goal B: Review practices with Police Department and Fire Department.

The Police Department and Fire Department have approved practices in Hazardous Material call-outs. They can active the Emergency Operations Center if required.

Goal C: Monitor location, frequency and type of response events.

The Auburn Fire Department monitors hazardous material call-outs on their computer monitoring system. The computer monitoring system includes all the information pertaining to a specific hazardous material call-out, such as location, amount of the spill, etc.

3-5. Establish Hotline for Public Inquiries and Reports

Goal A: Meet and coordinate with Police to add stormwater to hotline's reportable activities.

The Police Department answers the hotline number through the non-emergency dispatch line. The dispatch center has been given the proper procedure to follow. Based upon the

situation, the Dispatcher calls the appropriate department: Public Works, Fire Department or Police Department to respond.

Goal B: Establish hotline to allow citizen inquiries and reports.

The City utilizes the non-emergency dispatch line as the hotline number for stormwater calls. The Police Department Dispatch Center handles the non-emergency line.

Goal C: Advertise hotline information.

The hotline information is included on the City's website under the Stormwater section of the website. Concerned citizens can call the hotline number or send an email to info@healthyauburnwaters.org and the Public Works staff will review the email and follow up. The number and the email address are included on the Stormwater Pollution handout that is available to the public.

Goal D: Receive and respond to all reported events fielded through the hotline.

The response has been streamlined through the Police Department dispatch and the Public Works front desk. Public works staff and/or the fire department are involved in all reported events.

3-6. Train City Staff

Goal A: Provide one general stormwater training session annually for employees involved in program.

City employees and the Public Works crew staff reviews training as needed during their weekly meetings.

Goal B: Provide specific training yearly for all employees with program responsibility.

City employees and the Public Works crew staff reviews training as needed during their weekly meetings.

Element 4: Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control

Permit Years scheduled for implementation

Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6 Year 7 Year 8

Has Goal Been Accomplished: Yes

General Summary

Implement a program to reduce pollutants in any stormwater runoff from construction activities that result in a land disturbance of greater than or equal to one acre.

4-1. Review and revise construction and inspection processes

Goal A: Conduct enforcement activities as required.

Goal B: Develop procedures to identify priority construction sites for inspection.

Goal C: Inspect 50% of construction sites during dry season.

Goal D: Inspect 75% of construction sites during wet season.

4-2. Review Grading, Erosion & Sediment Control Ordinances and Revise if Needed

Goal A: Adopt an enforceable ordinance.

4-3. Perform Field Inspections

Goal A: Continue inspections for BMPs.

Goal B: Take appropriate enforcement actions with adopted ordinance.

Goal C: Inspect construction sites during wet (75% of sites)/dry (50% of sites) seasons.

4-4. Train City Staff

Goal A: Prepare appropriate materials and organize training sessions.

Goal B: Provide sufficient training basics and specific on new guidelines for site plan review and inspection.

4-5. Outreach to Development Community

Goal A: Provide at least one development community outreach activity yearly.

Goal B: Re-evaluate outreach priorities yearly.

Effectiveness

Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control portion of the Stormwater Management Program focuses on minimizing stormwater pollution from construction sites to the maximum practical extent. The effectiveness based on CASQA's Municipal Stormwater Program Effectiveness Assessment guidance manual would be at level 1 – Compliance with Activity – based on Permit requirements, level 2 – Raising Awareness, and level 3 – Behavior Change due to education through inspections and site visits. Portions of the Construction Site Stormwater Runoff Control will eventually lead to a level 4 - Reducing Loads from Sources, but the City currently has no empirical data that supports that level of effectiveness.

Effectiveness Assessment Summary

Outreach Program Activities	Effectiveness Assessment Outcome Levels			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
	Compliance	Increase Awareness	Behavior Change	Load Reductions
4-1: Construction/ Inspection Processes	X			
4-2: Review Grading, Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance	X			
4-3: Field Inspections	X	X	X	X
4-4: Train City Staff	X	X		
4-5: Outreach to Development Community	X	X	X	

Proposed Modifications:

None.

Status of Measurable Goals

4-1. Review and revise construction and inspection processes

Goal A: Conduct enforcement activities as required.

The Public Works Department conducts enforcement activities as needed. The Public Works Department works in conjunction with the Code Enforcement Officer on enforcement activities as needed as well. The Stormwater Ordinance became effective April 11, 2007.

Goal B: Develop procedures to identify priority construction sites for inspection.

The Public Works Construction Inspector inspects most construction sites on a daily basis. Due to the frequent inspections, the Construction Inspector is able to identify the priority construction sites in need of additional attention. The Construction Inspector identifies and assists the projects that need extra guidance to implement their Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).

Goal C: Inspect 50% of construction sites during dry season.

The Public Works Construction Inspector inspects most construction job sites on a daily basis during the dry season.

Goal D: Inspect 75% of construction sites during wet season.

The Public Works Construction Inspector inspects most construction job sites on a daily basis. During the rainy season, all construction job sites are reviewed daily. The Construction Inspector notifies contractors prior to a storm to make sure all Best Management Practices (BMP's) are in place and working properly.

4-2. Review Grading, Erosion & Sediment Control Ordinances and Revise if Needed

Goal A: Adopt an enforceable ordinance.

The City last amended the Grading, Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance on March 28, 1990. The ordinance can be found online in the Auburn Municipal Code, Chapter 155 located at the following URL:

[http://www.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll/California/auburn_ca/titlexvlandusage/chapter155gradingerosionandsedimentcontr?fn=altmain-nf.htm\\$f=templates\\$3.0](http://www.amlegal.com/nxt/gateway.dll/California/auburn_ca/titlexvlandusage/chapter155gradingerosionandsedimentcontr?fn=altmain-nf.htm$f=templates$3.0)

The City determined that currently there is no need to make any revisions to the Grading, Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance, but will review the issue annually to determine if the Ordinance needs to be amended.

4-3. Perform Field Inspections

Goal A: Continue inspections for BMPs.

During the 2010/2011 fiscal year, the City of Auburn issued approximately nine grading permits. The Public Works Construction Inspector inspects most of these construction sites on a daily basis. Due to the frequent inspections, the Construction Inspector is able to identify the priority construction sites in need of additional attention. The Construction Inspector identifies and assists the projects that need extra guidance to implement their Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP).

Goal B: Take appropriate enforcement actions with adopted ordinance.

The City has the ability to take appropriate enforcement action if needed per the Stormwater Ordinance and the Grading, Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance. In Year 5 of the permit the City started the enforcement action on a construction site. In Year 8 the City followed up to make sure that the required action plan with mitigation measures and security measures were implemented. The City will continue to monitor this site to verify compliance with the enforcement action. The City did not take any additional enforcement action in Year 8 of the Permit.

Goal C: Inspect construction sites during wet (75% of sites)/dry (50% of sites) seasons.

During the 2010/2011 fiscal year, the City of Auburn issued approximately nine grading permits. The Public Works Construction Inspector inspects most construction job sites on a daily basis. During the rainy season, all construction job sites are reviewed daily. During the dry season, most construction job sites are reviewed daily, but are reviewed weekly at a minimum. The Construction Inspector notifies contractors prior to a storm to make sure all Best Management Practices (BMP's) are in place and working properly.

4-4. Train City Staff

Goal A: Prepare appropriate materials and organize training sessions.

City employees and the Public Works crew staff reviews training as needed during their weekly meetings. Also, every City Department has a copy of the City of Auburn's Stormwater Management Plan and the Auburn Municipal Code and has had training from the Public Works Department as it relates the Stormwater Management Plan and the Stormwater Ordinance and the Grading, Erosion and Sediment Control Ordinance.

Goal B: Provide sufficient training basics and specific on new guidelines for site plan review and inspection.

The Public Works Department staff has provided guidelines to the Community Development Department as well as internal staff as it relates to the Stormwater Ordinance. Staff has provided training as necessary and will continue to review the need for additional training.

4-5. Outreach to Development Community

Goal A: Provide at least one development community outreach activity yearly.

The Public Works Department works with developers on each project in regards to stormwater. This outreach includes handouts, site-specific discussions, and site visits for each particular project.

Goal B: Re-evaluate outreach priorities yearly

The City of Auburn annually reviews the outreach priorities. Outreach priorities for Year 8 are as follows: Contractor/Development Community Outreach, Student Outreach and Municipal Staff Training.

Element 5: Post-Construction Stormwater Management in New Development and Redevelopment

Permit Years scheduled for implementation

Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6 Year 7 Year 8

Has Goal Been Accomplished: Yes

General Summary

Implement and enforce a program to address stormwater runoff from new development redevelopment projects.

5-1. Revise Development Review Policies and Process

Goal A: Assemble team to develop standards/practices upon general permit requirements.

Goal B: Evaluate new development standards for other public agencies.

Goal C: Collect and evaluate City documents.

Goal D: Define standards and policies to meet program requirements.

Goal E: Draft changes to the documents and development processes.

Goal F: Finalize changes to the documents.

Goal G: Complete documentation evaluation and create a list of changes.

5-2. Develop Legal Authority to Enforce Effective Post-Construction Stormwater Management

Goal A: Prepare and present ordinance to City Council. Implement changes necessary.

Goal B: Adopt an enforceable ordinance

5-3. Perform Field Evaluation and Long-Term Maintenance and Monitoring

Goal A: Adopt enforceable ordinance.

Goal B: Train Planning Department Staff on post-construction requirements and conditions of approval.

Goal C: Review a minimum of 20% of post-construction BMP's annually.

Goal D: Evaluate performance and design.

Goal E: Apply long-term monitoring and maintenance requirements to all new projects.

Goal F: Conduct enforcement as required to ensure compliance.

5-4. Perform Development Community Outreach

Goal A: Gather available outreach materials from local agencies to have available for contractors and the general public.

Goal B: Re-evaluate outreach priorities yearly.

Effectiveness

Post-Construction Stormwater Management in New Development and Redevelopment portion of the Stormwater Management Program focuses on minimizing stormwater pollution from new construction projects to the maximum practical extent. The effectiveness based on CASQA's Municipal Stormwater Program Effectiveness Assessment guidance manual would be at level 1 – Compliance with Activity – based on Permit requirements, level 2 – Raising Awareness due to education through the development process and site visits and inspections. Portions of the Post-Construction Stormwater Management in New Development Redevelopment may eventually lead to a level 3 – Behavior Change and 4 - Reducing Loads from Sources, but the City currently has no empirical data that supports that level of effectiveness.

Effectiveness Assessment Summary

Outreach Program Activities	Effectiveness Assessment Outcome Levels			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
	Compliance	Increase Awareness	Behavior Change	Load Reductions
5-1: Revise Development Policies/Processes	X			
5-2: Authority to Enforce Effective Post-Construction Stormwater Management	X	X		
5-3: Field Evaluation and Long-term Maintenance and Monitoring	X			
5-4: Outreach to Development Community	X	X		

Proposed Modifications:

None.

Status of Measurable Goals

5-1. Revise Development Review Policies and Process

Goal A: Assemble team to develop standards/practices upon general permit requirements

The Public Works Department and the Community Development Department meet once a week to review development project proposals. At these meetings, the Public Works Department and the Community Development develop the processes and policies for City development requirements. In conjunction with all the City departments, conditions of approval for the projects are crafted. Development projects are reviewed publicly at the Planning Commission where the conditions of approval are approved. The conditions of approval contain requirements for post-construction maintenance for stormwater infrastructure, as required or needed.

Goal B: Evaluate new development standards for other public agencies.

The Public Works Department participates with the Placer Regional Stormwater Coordination Group (PRSCG). The PRSCG presents new development standards proposed and/or approved by their public agency. The PRSCG meets on a quarterly basis, but communicates as frequently as needed through email.

Goal C: Collect and evaluate City documents.

The Public Works Department annually evaluates City documents and proposes changes as needed.

Goal D: Define standards and policies to meet program requirements.

The Public Works Department defines standards and policies through the development conditions of approval process.

Goal E: Draft changes to the documents and development processes.

The Public Works Department and/or Community Development Department can draft changes to the development processes as needed.

Goal F: Finalize changes to the documents.

The Public Works Department and the Community Development Department collectively finalize the proposed changes to the document as needed.

Goal G: Complete documentation evaluation and create a list of changes.

There were no changes made to the development review and approval process in Year 8 of the permit.

5-2. Develop Legal Authority to Enforce Effective Post-Construction Stormwater Management

Goal A: Prepare and present ordinance to City Council. Implement changes necessary.

The Stormwater Ordinance was adopted by City Council in March 2007 and further amendments will be brought forth as needed.

Goal B: Adopt an enforceable ordinance.

The Stormwater Ordinance was adopted by City Council in March 2007 and further amendments will be brought forth as needed.

5-3. Perform Field Evaluation and Long-term Maintenance and Monitoring

Goal A: Adopt enforceable ordinance.

The Stormwater Ordinance was adopted by City Council in March 2007 and further amendments will be brought forth as needed.

Goal B: Train Planning Department Staff on post-construction requirements and conditions of approval.

The Public Works Department trains the Planning Department on post-construction requirements and conditions of approval.

Goal C: Review a minimum of 20% of post-construction BMP's annually.

The Public Works Department Staff annually reviews post-construction BMP's

Goal D: Evaluate performance and design.

The Public Works Department Staff continually evaluates the performance and design of the post-construction BMP's.

Goal E: Apply long-term monitoring and maintenance requirements to all new projects.

The Public Works Department requires maintenance agreements with new projects. Public Works Department requires the maintenance agreements to remain in affect for a minimum of three years.

Goal F: Conduct enforcement as required to ensure compliance.

Under the Stormwater Ordinance, the City conducts enforcement as required.

5-4. Perform Development Community Outreach

Goal A: Gather available outreach materials from local agencies to have available for contractors and the general public.

Public Works Department Staff has gathered outreach materials from local agencies and utilizes them when having discussions with contractors and the general public. The Placer Regional Stormwater Coordination Group shares outreach material with each member of the group.

Goal B: Re-evaluate outreach priorities yearly.

The City of Auburn annually reviews the outreach priorities. Outreach priorities for Year 9 are as follows: Contractor/Development Community Outreach, Student Outreach and Municipal Staff Training.

Element 6: Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations

Permit Years scheduled for implementation

Year 1 Year 2 Year 3 Year 4 Year 5 Year 6 Year 7 Year 8

Has Goal Been Accomplished: Yes

General Summary

Implement an operations and maintenance program for City operations that has a goal of preventing or reducing pollutant runoff.

6-1: Public Facilities Cleaning

Goal A: Execute any recommended changes from the previous year's recommendations.

Goal B: Collect data about quantity of facilities cleaned.

6-2. BMP Improvement

Goal A: Inspect and evaluate all municipal facilities and field operations.

Goal B: Review and revise, as necessary, City facilities, SWPPPs.

6-3. Review and Revise Operations Manuals for City Facilities

Goal A: Work with affected departments to revise or create manuals with stormwater management tasks for all City Facilities and operations.

Goal B: Evaluate need for new documents and create if necessary.

6-4. Train Staff

Goal A: Evaluate program feedback to identify training priorities.

Goal B: Prepare appropriate material and organize training sessions.

Goal C: Conduct annual job-specific municipal procedures and BMP training to involved City employees so that they can perform their role in the program adequately.

6-5. Perform Stream Channel Maintenance/Cleaning

Goal A: Perform maintenance on selected reaches of Auburn Ravine and Dairy Road Watersheds.

Goal B: BMPs to protect stormwater quality will be used during the cleaning activities.

Goal C: Inspections for detection of any illicit or illegal discharges will be conducted.

Effectiveness

Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations portion of the Stormwater Management Program focuses on minimizing to the maximum practical extent stormwater pollution from in-house programs, projects and activities that are carried out by the City of Auburn. The effectiveness based on CASQA's Municipal Stormwater Program Effectiveness Assessment guidance manual would be at level 1 – Compliance with Activity – based on Permit requirements, level 2 – Raising Awareness, and level 3 – Behavior Change due to education to municipal staff. Portions of the Pollution Prevention/Good Housekeeping for Municipal Operations will eventually lead to a level 4 - Reducing Loads from Sources, but the City currently has no empirical data that supports that level of effectiveness.

Effectiveness Assessment Summary

Outreach Program Activities	Effectiveness Assessment Outcome Levels			
	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4
	Compliance	Increase Awareness	Behavior Change	Load Reductions
6-1: Public Facilities Cleaning	X	X		X
6-2: BMP Improvement	X	X		
6-3: Review and Revise Operations Manuals for City Facilities	X	X	X	
6-4: Train City Staff	X	X		
6-5: Perform Stream Channel Maintenance/ Cleaning	X	X		X

Proposed Modifications:

None.

Status of Measurable Goals

6-1: Public Facilities Cleaning

Goal A: Execute any recommended changes from the previous years recommendations.

The City of Auburn annually reviews any changes that relate to cleaning of public facilities. The During Year 8 of the permit, there was no recommended changes, but if changes were recommended the change would occur throughout the year.

Goal B: Collect data about quantity of facilities cleaned.

The Public Works crew maintains the data on the quantity of facilities cleaned in their daily maintenance logs. City streets are swept once a month. The Public Works crew swept approximately five thousand and five hundred miles of streets from July 2010 through June 2011. Approximately four miles of ditches were cleaned prior and during storm events by the Public Works crew. Throughout the year, the Public Works crew cleaned approximately eighteen thousand drain boxes before and after rain events. The Public Works crew also dug out approximately one hundred drain boxes throughout the year.

6-2. BMP Improvement

Goal A: Inspect and evaluate all municipal facilities and field operations.

The City continues to evaluate facilities and field operations as needed for stormwater compliance.

Goal B: Review and revise, as necessary, City facilities, SWPPPs.

The City updated the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans (SWPPP) for the Corporation Yard, Wastewater Treatment Plant, and the Auburn Municipal Airport in Year 8. City staff reviews and revises the SWPPP's annually, at a minimum. If changes are needed throughout the year, City staff implements the required change.

6-3. Review and Revise Operations Manuals for City Facilities

Goal A: Work with affected departments to revise or create manuals with stormwater management tasks for all City Facilities and operations.

City Staff are in the process of reviewing and editing operations manuals as they effect City operations. The City recently amended the Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plans for the Corporation Yard, Wastewater Treatment Plant and the Auburn Municipal Airport.

Goal B: Evaluate need for new documents and create if necessary.

City Staff annually reviews the need for new documents. In Year 8, the City has not identified any new documents needed.

6-4. Train Staff

Goal A: Evaluate program feedback to identify training priorities.

At a minimum, City Staff annually reviews and evaluates program feedback to identify training priorities for the need to improve procedures.

Goal B: Prepare appropriate material and organize training sessions.

The Public Works Maintenance Crew holds weekly Friday morning safety and training meetings. In the fall, the Public Works Crew holds a training meeting on stormwater issues to review BMPs as it relates to the rainy season. The Public Works Engineering Staff organizes an annually training session as it relates to the development review process and BMPs for the rainy season.

Goal C: Conduct annual job-specific municipal procedures and BMP training to involved City employees so that they can perform their role in the program adequately.

City employees are trained annually on job-specific procedures and have received BMP training.

6-5. Perform Stream Channel Maintenance/Cleaning

Goal A: Perform maintenance on selected reaches of Auburn Ravine and Dairy Road Watersheds.

The Public Works Construction Inspector along with the Director of Public Works identifies maintenance to be performed on a regular basis and in emergency situation in various watersheds. Maintenance crews or construction crews perform such duties as directed by Public Works staff.

Goal B: BMPs to protect stormwater quality will be used during the cleaning activities.

The City implements BMPs while performing cleaning activities.

Goal C: Inspections for detection of any illicit or illegal discharges will be conducted.

Watersheds and ditches are regularly inspected by Public Works staff to detect illicit or illegal discharges. Findings are documented with the Public Works and/or Fire Departments.

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Information Required By Permit or Committed to by SWMP

Chapter 6 of the Phase II Stormwater Management Plan gives a list of information to be provided in each annual report. Much of this information is in the previous table and the remainder is discussed below.

Permit conditions compliance and proposed changes to the SWMP

The majority of the permit goals and deadlines were achieved as outlined in the SMWP.

Hazmat Responses

The Fire Department responded to one hazmat call from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011 which had a direct impact to the storm drain system.

- December 22, 2010 – Paint spill: The City of Auburn Fire Department and Public Works Department responded. The paint spill was intercepted and cleaned prior to reaching any waterways. The state control number is 10-7753.

The Fire Departments receives over 150 hours of Hazmat Training each year.

Next Year's Activities

The following are the main activities anticipated for program Year 8.

- Distribute flyers to residents via Auburn Placer Disposal Service billings
- Update stormwater link on City Website as needed
- Update Healthy Auburn Waters Website as needed
- Submit articles to periodical
- Produce maps of the Storm Drain system within the City
- Elementary school creek walks in spring
- City staff training
- Development training
- Enforce the Stormwater Ordinance
- Review and Revise Stormwater Ordinance as necessary
- Review BMP's and evaluated effectiveness
- Stencil Storm Drain Inlets
- Inspect residential and commercial construction sites during wet and dry seasons
- Inspect and review procedures and operation manuals at municipal facilities
- Review and Revise Erosion Control Ordinance as necessary
- Continue participation in the Placer Regional Stormwater Coordination Group

Change in persons or entities implementing the SWMP

The City of Auburn has provided the Responsible Party Assignments for each element of the Stormwater Management Program.

Appendices

Healthy Auburn Waters Campaign Website – www.healthyauburnwaters.org

City of Auburn Website – www.auburn.ca.gov

Public Works Daily Work Log – Ditch Maintenance – January 2011 Sample

Healthy Auburn Waters (HAW)/Creek Walk Event 2011 Flyer

Healthy Auburn Waters/Creek Walk 2011 Photos

Healthy Auburn Waters Student I Pledge Sheet – example

Press Release: City of Auburn Now Offers Free Pick-up of FOG and Universal/Electronic Waste

Fog and E-Waste Pick-Up – informational flyer

Got Leaves? Learn How to Compost – informational flyer

Household Hazardous Waste and Electronic Waste Drop-Off – October 23 and 24, 2010

One Big Bin – Household Hazardous Wastes – informational flyer

How to Dispose of Common Household Items – informational flyer

Please Be Careful With Pesticides – informational flyer and banner

Auburn Journal Informational Item September 10, 2011 – Event Calling for Drug Drop-Offs

Auburn Journal Article September 2, 2010 – Program Calls for Drug Drop-Offs

Medication Take-Back Day – September 25, 2010 – informational flyer

Medication Take-Back Day – April 30, 2011 – informational flyer

Granite Bay Press Tribune Article September 22, 2010 – Prescription Drug Abuse Trend is a Call for Action

Sacramento Bee Article September 24, 2010 – Local Drug Collection Sites

Is Your Business ‘Green’? – informational flyer

Auburn Chamber of Commerce Website Article February 2011 – New Program Helps Businesses Lower Utility Bills, Purchasing Costs

Sacramento Area Sustainable Business Article – Green Business Program Premier in Placer County

Press Release: Got Bugs? Free Pest Control Workshop and Free Ladybugs – March 2011

Go Bugs? – advertisement placed in the Auburn Journal

Auburn Journal Article October 25, 2010 – Fall Workshops Highlight Perfect Composting Time

Be Careful with Pesticides – informational flyer included in Recology bill

Free Workshops! – informational flyer included in Recology bill

Construction Handouts – Stormwater Pollution... At Your House/Stormwater in the City of Auburn Working for a Cleaner Environment/Stormwater Pollution Prevention



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Rx Take-back Event
Oct. 29
Auburn City Hall

Games and Activities for Kids

Natural / Safer Alternatives

We Pledge! for Businesses

- **Save the Date:** Composting Workshops 10/22 and 11/2
- **FREE** Curbside Pick-up of FOG and Electronic Waste
- Use and Mix Pesticides Carefully.
- Like Us on Facebook!

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Stormwater

The City of Auburn maintains an estimated hundreds of storm drains. Storm drains are a water collection system, NOT a waste collection system. Storm drains flow directly to creeks and rivers and what goes into them has a direct impact on the environment.

Run off from rain washes pollutants, grime and dirt from roads which then flow down gutters and into the storm drains. This runoff can be hazardous to our environment especially when it contains motor oil, antifreeze, engine degreaser, pesticides and other hazardous waste.

Of Special Concern

Citizens need to treat storm drains and gutters like natural waterways and keep hazardous waste out. Keep excess products from flowing into the storm drains with some of these simple procedures:

- Clean up motor oil, antifreeze, and gasoline spills by absorbing with kitty litter. Place the kitty litter in a bag and take to Western Placer Waste Management Authority's Household Hazardous Waste Facility.
- Wash cars at designated wash facilities or use biodegradable soap with minimal water.
- Do NOT apply fertilizer, pesticides or weed killers if rain is forecast. Use only as much as is needed. Consider healthy, natural control measures sources. See Sacramento County's [WATERWISE](#) program for alternatives.
- Collect pet waste in plastic bags or simply shovel into your trash can.
- Carefully discard of all hazardous waste such as pesticides, chemicals and motor oil.
- Avoid using paint thinners and solvents, however when they must be used, follow directions for preparing the area with absorbent drop cloths. Apply only the amount needed. Follow cleaning and disposal directions carefully.

Links

www.casqa.org/ (California Stormwater Quality Association)

<http://www.sacstormwater.org/StormwaterPollutionSolutions/PestControlProgram/PestControlProgram.html> (WaterWise Pest Control - brochures about alternatives)

<http://www.sacstormwater.org/StormwaterDocuments/StormwaterBrochures/StormwaterBrochures.html> (City of Sacramento Stormwater Quality Improvement Program - brochures including Spanish materials)

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FREE Pick-up of FOG and Universal/Electronic Waste

Residents in the city limits may request one free pick-up of FOG and/or Universal/Electronic Waste each month. Call [Recology](http://www.recology.com) at 530-885-3735 to arrange for curbside collection.

FOG Disposal Guidelines

- **One Quart or Less:** Place any cooled container of FOG in your trash. Plastic bags, tin cans and jars with lids are acceptable. Visit the Public Works department for a FREE collection bag.
- **Between One and Seven Quarts:** Place FOG in a plastic container with a screw-top lid (peanut butter jars are a good example). Write "Food Grease" on the container and set on your curb on the appointed day. Call Recology to set the appointment.
- **Over Seven Quarts:** Large quantities must be taken to [Western Placer Waste Management Authority](#) for FREE disposal. Place cooled FOG in a plastic container with a tight fitting lid.

Universal/Electronic Waste Disposal Guidelines

- Request a pickup one time per month by calling [Recology](http://www.recology.com) at 530-885-3735. Place the items on your curb on the appointed day.
- Acceptable items: household batteries, mercury thermometers, fluorescent lamps and electronic devices including television and computer monitors, computers, printers, VCRs, cell phones, telephones, radios, portable DVD players with video screens and microwave ovens.
- Large appliances are not accepted.

[More disposal information](#)

Live Outside of City Limits?

Placer County residents *not* within the city limits may take waste to WPWMA or Recology Auburn Placer Transfer Station.

Recology Auburn Placer Transfer Station Location [link to map](#)
12305 Shale Ridge Road, Auburn, CA 95602 Phone: 530-885-3735

WPWMA Household Hazardous Waste Facility [link to map](#)
3195 Athens Avenue, Lincoln CA 95648 Phone: 916-645-5230 ext. 4

Note: Most disposal is FREE but fees may apply at either facility.

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 City Hall
 1225 Lincoln Way
 Auburn, CA 95603

 Business Hours
 M-F 8-5
 (Effective July 1, 2009- The Public Services Counter will close at 1PM daily)
 Closed Holidays

The Administration & Engineering Division contains the Public Works management team as well the engineering section. The Engineering section plans, develops and oversees the construction of public facilities, roadways and Capital Improvements for city projects. The engineering section oversees private Land Development reviews for projects within the City as well as the Stormwater Management Plan.

Public Works is responsible for the issuance of the following:

- Encroachment Permit
- Street Banners
- Transportation Permit
- Grading Permit
- Certificate of Compliance
- Minor Boundary Line Adjustments

The Engineering Division also oversees Solid Waste Management and Recycling.

Stormwater Management Plan

Main Number
 (530) 823-4211

The City of Auburn has developed a stormwater management program to maintain compliance with state and federal regulations. Under the stormwater management program, the City will educate and involve the community in stormwater pollution prevention, regulate stormwater run-off from construction sites, investigate non-stormwater discharges and reduce non-stormwater run-off from municipal operations. The stormwater management program is managed by the Public Works Department.

Stormwater Management Plan (pdf, 681 KB)

Stormwater Management Plan Annual Reports:

2009 Annual Report (pdf, Zipped 16.MB)

2010 Annual Report (16.MB)

Report any unauthorized stormwater discharges please call 530-823-4237 or email info@healthyauburnwaters.org.

Land Development Review

Parcel Map or Final Map Review and Approval

When submitting a final or parcel map the applicant must include the following items:

- Three copies of map
- Closure calculations
- Current preliminary title report (issued within the last six months)
- Copy of grant deed(s) and/or parcel maps, final maps, or records of survey's for adjacent properties

Fees:

- Final map (five or more parcels or condominium units) - \$1,050.00 plus \$21.00 per lot or unit

- Parcel map (four or less parcels) - \$368.00 = \$26.00 per parcel

Once the final or parcel map has been reviewed and accepted as correct by the City Engineer, the Public Works Department will prepare a staff report to City Council for approval of the map.

Prior to the Public Works Department scheduling the final or parcel map for City Council approval, all fees must be paid, bonds posted, and subdivision agreement signed.

Once the City Council has approved the final or parcel map, the City Clerk and City Engineer will sign the map, and the map will then be forwarded on to the Placer County Recorder's Office.

Once the map is with the county, the developer must make arrangements to get the tax certificate to the Clerk of the Board (at Fulweiler Avenue).

In addition, the developer must pay the recording fees to Placer County Recorder's Office.

Improvement Plan Review

When submitting subdivision improvement plans to the Public Works Department, the following items must be included:

- Six sets of improvement plans for distribution to other city departments
- Any special studies required by the Planning Commission i.e., geotechnical reports, traffic or drainage studies, and sewer pump station design
 - Plan check review fee of \$500.00 plus \$50.00 per lot (deposit toward actual costs)

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Commercial and Industrial Site Improvement Plans

The following items must be submitted for review and approval prior to the Building Permit being issued:

- Four copies of site improvement plans showing all improvements required by the Planning Commission, i.e. sewer, water, utilities, grading, drainage, and off-site improvements
- Two copies of the geotechnical report, engineer's estimates, and storm drainage analysis, including calculations
- Plan check review fee of \$200.00 deposit. Additional monies may be required depending on time spent reviewing project.

New Subdivision Improvement Plans

When submitting subdivision improvement plans to the Public Works Department, the following items must be included:

Six sets of improvement plans for distribution to these departments:

Fire Department

Community Development Department

Placer County Flood Control and Water

Conservation District (if applicable)

OMI (Waste Water Treatment Plant to

review sewer systems)

Public Works Department staff including
inspector and superintendent

- Any special studies required by the Planning Commission
- Geotechnical reports, traffic or drainage studies, and pump station design. Refer to conditions of approval for the particular project. Copies of conditions of approval are available from the Community Development Department.

The drainage study should:

- Discuss the downstream impacts due to additional flow discharged from the new subdivision
 - Show hydraulic grade line calculations for the proposed storm lines
- Review existing storm drainage system to make sure it is capable of carrying additional flow
 - Plan check review fee of \$500.00 plus \$50.00 per lot (deposit toward actual costs)

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City Design and Construction Standards

You can pick up the City of Auburn Standard Specifications at:

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Customer Service Counter
1225 Lincoln Way, Room 3
Auburn, CA 95603

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CITY OF AUBURN DAILY WORKSHEET

DEPARTMENT PUBLIC WORKS

TRUCK NUMBER 731005

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VEHICLE INSPECTION-	Checked	Needs Attention		Checked	Needs Attention
			Interior Equip.		
			Seat Belts		
Mirrors			First Aid Kit		
Styro			Clean Interior		
Wipers			Interior Lights		
			AC/Heat		
			Horn		
s (Front)			3 Emergency reflectors/lenses		
			Fire Extinguisher Charged & mounted		
s (Rear)			Insurance Card		
Side/Rearview Lights			Accident report form		
Lighting & Flashers					
Oil			All vehicle fluids - brake, tranny, oil		

DESCRIPTION:

CLEANED Storm Drains - culverts
And picked up Debris in Roadways

Dug out The Ditch Line on Lower Forest Hill
Ave

Lee



Earth Day Every Day



HEALTHY AUBURN WATERS EVENT 2010

Keep Auburn Clean and Green

Keep Storm Drains Clean

Reduce • Reuse • Recycle

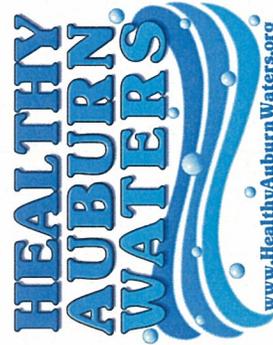
May 13, 2011 from 8:50 a.m. – 11:15 a.m.

In promotion of keeping our City clean and green the City of Auburn is sponsoring a Healthy Auburn Waters Event for Skyridge 2nd grade students. The Event will teach the children about Stormwater, Recycling, Wastewater Treatment Process & Collection System, Water Conservation and how to keep our Ravines and Creeks clean.

Children will be transported from Skyridge School by Auburn Transit to the Auburn School Park Preserve near City Hall. The students will pick up recyclables (aluminum cans, plastic soda bottles, etc) and litter around the Park using Orang-U-Tongs (litter pick up sticks) and rotate through five stations to learn about recycling/littering, stormwater, wastewater treatment process & collection system and water efficiency/conservation. We will also conduct a water test on water collected from the ravine, to see what, if any, contaminants are present in our local waterways.

While at the Event each child will wear a lime green shirt for safety reasons (provided by the City). At the end of the walk the children will receive a goody bag, information from our presentation and a healthy snack/drink.

City staff and teachers from Skyridge School will be in attendance for the child/student ratio, however if you are interested in participating, please contact your child's teacher directly.



If you have any questions please feel free to contact the City of Auburn at
(530) 823-4211 - Megan Siren at extension 145.

Parent Handout-Skyridge Group

City of Auburn

Healthy Auburn Waters Creek Walk ~ Skyridge Elementary School

May 13, 2011



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I PLEDGE!



I Pledge! to keep the rivers and creeks in Auburn healthy and that I will be a good steward of the environment for my future, my family's and all the living creatures who live in our community.

- ◆ I know that cooking fat, oil and grease (FOG) can clog sink drains so I won't pour them into the sink.
- ◆ I will recycle whatever I can and reuse items whenever possible.
- ◆ I know that chemicals are dangerous and they should not be poured down the drain or into the toilet.
- ◆ I know that medications should only be handled by an adult and they should never be thrown down the toilet or into the sink.
- ◆ I will do my best to conserve water.
- ◆ I will not throw trash or chemicals into the gutter or into the storm drain.

Return this form to the City of Auburn and earn a special **iPledge!** Badge.

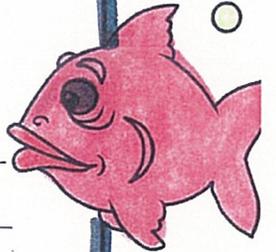
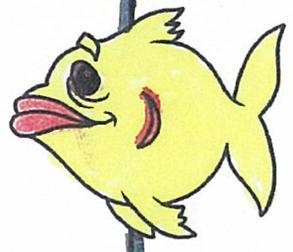
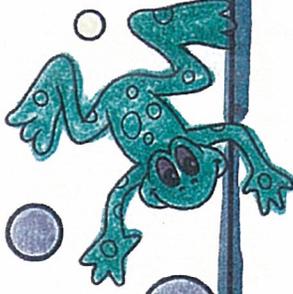
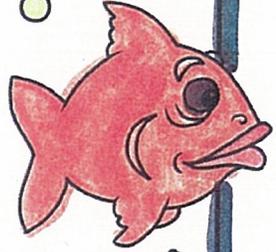
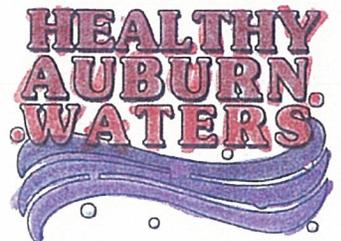
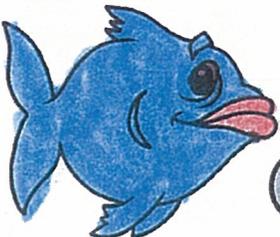
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Your Teacher's Name _____

Your School: _____

Skyridge Elementary School

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NEWS RELEASE

City of Auburn Now Offers Free Pick-up of FOG and Universal/Electronic Waste

AUBURN, Calif. — July 8, 2010 — Fats and cooking scraps are causing a real problem in area sewers so the City of Auburn has adopted a new FOG disposal program to help combat the problem.

Cooled FOG (fats, oil and grease) congeals into a gooey mass that clings to the pipes that take waste away from homes and can completely clog them. This leads to overflows which are costly, unhealthy and very unsightly. To combat the problem, the city asks residents to stop scraping food and fats into the sink where they end up in sewer pipes. Instead, city residents should collect FOG for disposal as solid waste.

- **Up to one quart of FOG** can be placed in regular curbside trash pick-up as long as the FOG is cooled and in a clear plastic bag, a tin can or some other container.
- **Between one and seven quarts of FOG** will be picked up once a month by appointment by calling Recology at 530-885-3735. Place cooled FOG in a plastic container with a screw-top lid and write "Food Grease" on the container.
- **More than seven quarts of FOG** must be taken to Western Placer Waste management Authority (www.WPWMA.com) for free disposal. Place cooled FOG in a plastic container or bucket with a tight fitting lid.



Fats and food scraps collect in the sewer system and congeal into a gooey mess that blocks pipes and leads to overflows.

Residents may call Recology Auburn Placer (www.recologyauburnplacer.com) at 530-885-3735 to arrange for free curbside pick-up of FOG. Residents may also request curbside pickup of universal/electronic waste including televisions, computer components, batteries and microwave ovens. Only the residents within Auburn city limits can request this service one time each month.

“We are pleased that Recology will provide these additional pick-up services for Auburn residents,” said Bernie Schroeder, director of the public works department. “Keeping FOG out of the sewer is a major issue for the city. We expect that curbside pick-up will have a substantially positive effect on the condition of our sewer system.”

Residents in Placer County who are not in the city limits can take their FOG to the [Auburn Transfer Station](#) located at 12305 Shale Ridge Road or WPWMA (www.WPWMA.com).

More information about proper disposal of FOG and e-waste is available at www.HealthyAuburnWaters.org, a program of

the City’s award-winning Healthy Auburn Waters campaign. City residents may pick-up FREE Fat Trapper Bags—which are used to safely collect and dispose of small quantities of FOG—at the service counter in the public works department.



Megan Siren with Public Works shows the Fat Trapper bag available to city residents for FREE at the public works service counter.



About the Healthy Auburn Waters Campaign

The Healthy Auburn Waters campaign—sponsored by the City of Auburn—is a public education program that teaches residents and businesses how to properly dispose of chemicals; pesticides; cooking fats, oils and grease; motor oil, medications and fuel. The Healthy Auburn Waters campaign seeks to protect Auburn waterways for the people and wildlife that live in our area. For more information, visit www.HealthyAuburnWaters.org.

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FREE!



FOG AND E-WASTE PICK-UP

(Auburn residents only)

Call Recology **530-885-3735** for curbside collection, up to 1 time per month.

- Up to 7 Quarts of FOG
- Store FOG in a plastic, screw-top container
- Write "Food Grease" on the container

More than 7 quarts must go to WPWMA.

FOG = Fats, oil and grease from cooking.
NO automotive or petroleum-based products.

e-Waste = Batteries, thermometers, fluorescent bulbs, microwaves, monitors, TVs, computer equip., phones, small electronics.
NO large appliances.



Visit www.HealthyAuburnWaters.org for more info.
Brought to you by the City of Auburn, Public Works Department

GOT LEAVES?

*Learn how to compost and get a
FREE composting bin!*



Saturday, October 16

or

Saturday, November 6

10:00 a.m. to Noon

Auburn City Hall, Rose Room

1225 Lincoln Way

The City of Auburn in partnership with the Placer County Master Gardeners will teach you how to compost yard waste, kitchen scraps and other organic material. Participants meet in the Rose Room and move to the Auburn School Park Preserve for hands-on instruction. At the end of the workshop, participants earn a **FREE*** compost bin. Register online or by email. Limited to 30 bins per workshop so reserve your space early!

info@HealthyAuburnWaters.org



Visit www.HealthyAuburnWaters.org to register or learn more.

**Auburn residents only earn FREE bins. Proof of residency required.*

FREE

Household Hazardous Waste & Electronic Waste Drop-Off

Sat & Sun ■ October 23 & 24 ■ Auburn

Who:

For residents and businesses* of Placer County only; I.D. required

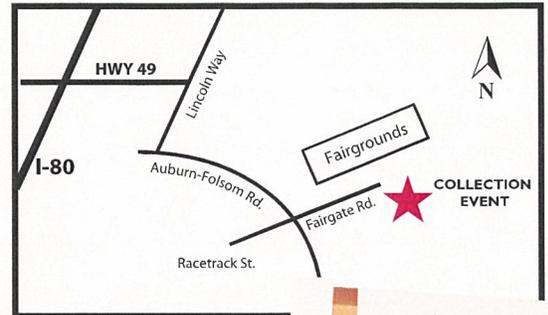
When:

Saturday & Sunday
October 23 & 24, 2010
9am - 3pm - residents
3pm - 4pm - businesses*

Where:

Gold Country Fairgrounds, Auburn
Sacramento Street Parking Lot
Auburn-Folsom Road at Fairgate

* Saturday ONLY. Fees apply to businesses. Businesses must call 1-800-207-8222 at least 24 hours in advance for an appointment.



Acceptable HHW: Maximum 15 gallons OR 125 pounds per vehicle

- compressed gas cylinders up to 5 gallons
- fluorescent tubes & lamps
- used motor oil & filters
- other automotive fluids
- household cleaners
- pesticides & herbicides
- sharps (syringes & lancets), in a tightly sealed & labeled rigid container



- paints, strippers, thinners & varnishes
- gasoline/kerosene & other flammables
- vehicle and small household batteries
- unused medications (no controlled substances)
- most products labeled flammable, poison, etc.
- **visit WPWMA.com or call for a complete list**

Acceptable E-waste:

- | | | |
|----------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| ■ TVs & VCRs | ■ CD/DVD players | ■ PDAs |
| ■ computer monitors | ■ radios & stereos | ■ office & video equipment |
| ■ CPUs & peripherals | ■ telephones & cell phones | ■ answering machines |



Unacceptable Items:

- no medical waste (except sharps & meds)
- no ammunition or explosives
- no radioactive materials or PCBs
- no compressed gas cylinders larger than 5 gal.
- no tires
- no refrigerators or other appliances

Transporting Tips & Techniques:

- Keep products in their original, tightly-sealed containers, if possible.
- Label materials not in their original containers.
- Place leaking containers in tightly-sealed, labeled plastic containers.
- Do not mix materials in the same container.
- Sort products by type to avoid dangerous chemical reactions.
- Pack containers upright in cardboard or plastic containers.
- Secure in the trunk of your car or bed of your truck.

Sponsored By:



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WASTE MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
RECYCLING & DISPOSAL MADE EASY

Permanent HHW Collection Facility:

3033 Fiddymont Rd., Roseville (entrance on Athens Ave.)
Open every day, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

The Permanent HHW Collection Facility is free to Placer County residents only.

Contact us for more information:

(916) 543-3960

WPWMA.com

Partially funded by a grant from CalRecycle.



OneBigBin.com

What should not be in your garbage?

Household Hazardous Wastes (HHW)



- fluorescent tubes
- small household batteries
- used motor oil & oil filters
- vehicle (lead acid) batteries
- compressed gas cylinders less than 5 gallons (i.e. camping-sized)
- latex paint
- sharps (syringes & lancets)
- automotive fluids
- compressed gas cylinders less than 20lbs. (i.e. bbq-sized)
- contaminated oil
- household cleaners
- mercury-containing devices (thermometers & thermostats)
- paint & paint products
- paint - oil-based
- pesticides & herbicides
- pool chemicals
- medications
- most products labeled DANGER, CAUTION, WARNING, FLAMMABLE, or POISON
- Small Aerosol Cans
- Solvent / Degreasers
- Varnish & Shellac

Electronic Waste (E-Waste)

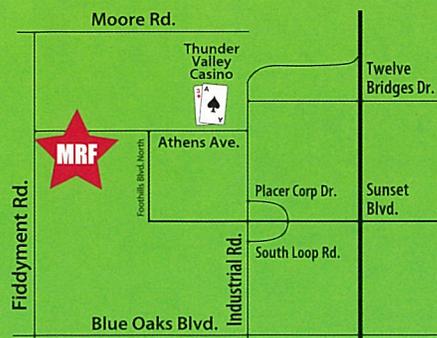
- answering machines
- calculators
- computers & computer peripherals
- radios
- stereo equipment
- televisions & computer monitors
- telephones & cell phones
- video recording equipment



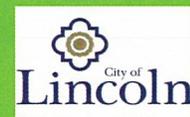
Free* Drop-Off for HHW & E-Waste * Fees may apply for businesses.

For a complete list of acceptable and unacceptable items and proper transportation tips call the facilities below for more information or visit onebigbin.com There is a maximum of 15 gallons or 125 lbs. per visit.

Location	Hours	Items accepted
Lincoln WPWMA HHW Facility 3033 Fiddlyment Rd., entrance on Athens Ave. www.WPWMA.com , (916) 543-3960	Every day 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.	■ ■ ■ All items in the lists above
Auburn Auburn Transfer Station 12305 Shale Ridge Rd., (530) 885-3735	Every day 8 a.m. – 4:45 p.m.	■ ■ Only items in the purple and green lists, above
Foresthill Foresthill Transfer Station 6699 Patent Rd., (530) 885-3735	Friday – Monday 8:30 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.	■ Only items in the purple lists, above
Meadow Vista Meadow Vista Transfer Station 2950 Combie Rd., (530) 885-3735	Friday – Monday 8:30 a.m. – 4:15 p.m.	■ Only items in the purple lists, above



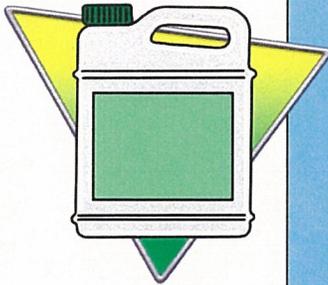
Learn more about Recycling in Placer County call (916) 543-3960 or go to onebigbin.com



Placer County



How to Dispose of Common Household Items

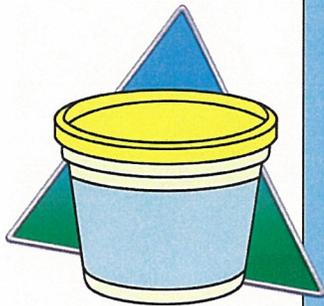


HHW = Household Hazardous Waste

NEVER pour HHW down the sink drain.
NEVER pour HHW down the storm drain.
Always mix chemicals properly and wear safety equipment.
Look for ways to use natural alternatives

Disposal:

Take sealed and labeled containers to Western Placer Waste Management Authority (WPWMA) for proper disposal.
www.WPWMA.com or 916-645-5230 ext. 4



FOG = Cooking Fats, Oil and Grease

NEVER pour FOG down the drain.
NEVER scrape food particles into the sink.
Pour cooled fats into container. Store in the freezer.
Or, wipe grease with paper towels and discard with regular trash.

Disposal:

1-7 quarts can be picked up from your curb by Recology. Call 530-885-3735 for an appointment (City of Auburn residents only.)
More than 7 quarts? Take it to WPWMA in a sealed container.



Pharmaceutical Waste: Medicines only

NEVER discard in the toilet or drain.
NEVER place products in your regular trash.

Disposal:

Take pharmaceutical waste to WPWMA in a sealed container with original product label. Black-out any personal data.

Or, watch for collection dates offered by the city or county!

Please be careful with pesticides!



Take extra care this spring to mix, apply and dispose of the chemicals you use around your home and business.

Pesticides poured into sink drains eventually get into our waterways. The animals, plants and humans who live here suffer when we are careless! Take a few extra steps to keep Auburn healthy and beautiful for everyone.



Brought to you by the City of Auburn and the Healthy Auburn Waters campaign.

- Use pesticides sparingly and be sure to properly mix and apply.
- Do not apply pesticides when rain is imminent.
- Do not pour unused pesticides down the drain, into the gutter or onto the soil.
- Treat unused pesticides as hazardous waste and take to WPWMA for disposal.
- Consider using alternative control methods that are less toxic.

Visit www.HealthyAuburnWaters.org for information about proper use of pesticides, safe disposal, and least-toxic pest control methods.

Be Careful With Pesticides!



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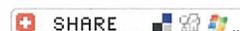
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Event calling for drug drop-offs

A national event will allow residents to dispose of unwanted medications Sept. 25.

Locally, the Medication Take-back Day is a partnership between the Federal Drug Enforcement Administration, the Coalition for Placer Youth and the Placer County Youth Commission.

From 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Auburnites can drop off prescriptions, including controlled substances, over-the-counter drugs and veterinary drugs in the parking lot behind City Hall on Lincoln Way in Downtown Auburn.

In Loomis, residents can make drop offs at the Placer County Sheriff Substation at 6140 Horseshoe Bar Road. In Colfax medications will be collected at the Sheriff Substation at 33 North Main Street.

The goal of the take-back event is to keep drugs out of local waterways and the hands of those who might abuse them, according to Anne Staines, awareness and media co-chairwoman for the Coalition for Placer Youth.

"The broad objective is to be able to take unused prescription medications that are sitting in people's medicine cabinets and dispose of them properly," Staines said. "It's important that they not be flushed down the toilet because there are so many chemicals ending up in our water supply."

For more information call (530) 889-7238. For the city of Auburn call Megan Siren at (530) 823-4211 ext. 145.

~Bridget Jones

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Program calls for drug drop-offs

Event to protect citizens, local water

By Bridget Jones, Journal Staff Writer



An upcoming event asks residents to protect Auburn community members and their water from drugs.

On Sept. 25 the city of Auburn is hosting a prescription drug take-back event in cooperation with the Coalition for Placer Youth, Placer County Youth Commission and the federal Drug Enforcement Administration.

The free drop-off is from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Auburn City Hall parking lot. The event will also be held at 12 other locations throughout Placer County.

According to Anne Staines, awareness and media co-chairwoman for the Coalition for Placer Youth, the take-back has two main purposes: to keep drugs out of the hands of those who abuse them and preventing the unwanted medications from being flushed down the toilet or thrown in the trash.

Chief Valerie Harris



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Megan Siren, administrative analyst for the city of Auburn, said Auburn has hosted similar events in the past two years to promote the "No Drugs Down the Drain" campaign. The 2008 take-back day was a statewide event, and in

2009 Auburn hosted its own event.

Siren said the only cost of this year's event is city staff time and pay for those who will be manning the area, because the DEA is paying for the cost of having all drugs destroyed after they are collected.

When prescription medications are flushed down the toilet or put into the landfill, they can leak into local groundwater, and water-treatment technology is not able to remove all traces of the drugs from water systems, Siren said.

"Our main (goal) is to get it out of our wastewater treatment plant and our sewer system," Siren said. "We also don't want it in our solid waste."

While prescription drugs, over-the-counter medications and veterinary medications are the main focal point of the program, illegal drugs can also be turned in.

Auburn Police Chief Valerie Harris said if someone brings in a small amount of an illegal substance, and doesn't appear to be under the influence, they could drop off the drug and walk away with no questions asked.

However, someone who appears to be under the influence of illegal substances and has large amounts of drugs in their possession, will be investigated by the police, Harris said.

"If somebody drives up to us and they have obvious objective symptoms of impairment ... we obviously have to ask questions for public safety," she said.

Harris said her goal is to remove drugs from the community that could be harmful to residents.

"I want to get any potential drugs off the street that would be used incorrectly and possibly harm someone," she said.

According to the DEA, the Controlled Substances Act does not allow pharmacists to take back controlled substance medications. Examples of these medications are vicodin, percocet, oxycontin and valium. However, Congress is currently considering amending the act to make it easier for consumers to dispose of these types of medications.

Harris said local law enforcement agencies are working to have permanent drop-off sites in Placer County cities.

"I think what this take-back helps to demonstrate is we need some legislation changes as to how people are able to discard prescriptions," Harris said. "All of the law enforcement agencies in the county have been looking to see how we could create drop sites at our facilities that meet the DEA's legal requirements. That effort is still in progress."

According to Michelle White, environmental resource specialist with Placer County Environmental Engineering, residents can drop off prescriptions, over-the-counter medications, syringes and lancets daily at the Western Placer Waste Management Authority Materials Recovery Facility at 3033 Fiddymont Road between Roseville and Lincoln.

Staines said a main group the event is targeting is teenagers.

According to the DEA, every day 2,500 teens use prescription drugs to get high for the first time, one in seven teens admits to abusing drugs to get high in the past year and two in five teens believe prescription drugs are safer than illegal drugs.

Syringes, lancets, medical waste, inhalers and hydrogen peroxide will not be accepted. The county is also encouraging those dropping off prescription drugs to remove labels from bottles.

Rocklin resident Sandra Barnikel said she definitely thinks pharmacies should be allowed to take back all medications, and that government shouldn't get involved.

"It's your responsibility to keep your kids safe, not the government's responsibility," Barnikel said. "At least that is my opinion."

Lincoln resident Danielle Thomas said that while she thinks everyone should be taking care of their own medications, the event could help those that won't.

"Honestly, I think people should be responsible for what is in their hands, but at the same time I guess you can't hold everyone responsible, so I guess this is a good way to get rid of (the drugs)," Thomas said.

Reach Bridget Jones at bridgetj@goldcountrymedia.com

Rx take-back event

What: A national event hosted by the DEA to collect prescription and over-the-counter medications for destruction.

When: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Sept. 25

Where: Auburn: City Hall, 1225 Lincoln Way

Roseville: Antelope High School, 7801 Titan Way, Oakmont High School, 1710 Cirby Way,

Roseville High School, 1 Tiger Way, Woodcreek High School, 2551 Woodcreek Oaks Blvd.

Lincoln: Lincoln Police Department, 770 7th Street

Rocklin: Sierra College, Rocklin Rd. Parking Lot D, Whitney Oaks High School, 70 Wildcat Blvd.

Granite Bay: Granite Bay High School, 1 Grizzly Way

Loomis: Sheriff Substation, 6140 Horseshoe Bar Rd.

Colfax: Sheriff Substation, 33 North Main St.

Kings Beach: Kings Beach Clinic, front parking lot, 8650 Salmon St.

For Information: In Auburn, call Megan Siren (530) 823-4211 ext. 145, In Placer County, call (530) 889-7238

Medication Take-back Day

Keeping our kids and water drug-free

FREE - Drop Off Unused and Expired Medications
Saturday, September 25th
10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

PROTECT...

- ... **our environment.** Medications disposed of down the toilet or in the trash end up in our water supplies and damage our environment.
- ... **our teens from an epidemic of Rx abuse.** 7 of the 10 most commonly abused drugs by teenagers are prescription medications. Teens get dangerous drugs from family and friends—and their medicine cabinets.
- ... **our young children** from a leading cause of accidental poisoning.
- ... **our seniors** from misuse and mistakes.
- ... **your home.** Addicts are looking in as many medicine cabinets as possible—maybe even yours.



Free, Anonymous and Convenient

ACCEPTABLE

- ◆ Prescriptions- including controlled substances
(*Mark out personal information*)
- ◆ Over-the-counter medications
- ◆ Veterinary medications

UNACCEPTABLE

- ◆ No sharps or lancets
- ◆ No medical waste
- ◆ No aerosols or hydrogen peroxide
- ◆ No illicit drugs

12 County-wide Locations

- Roseville:** Oakmont High School 1710 Cirby Way; Roseville High School 1 Tiger Way;
Woodcreek High School 2551 Woodcreek Oaks Blvd; Antelope High School 7801 Titan Way
- Lincoln:** Lincoln Police Department 770 7th Street
- Rocklin:** Sierra College Rocklin Rd. Parking Lot D; Whitney High School 70 Wildcat Blvd.
- Granite Bay:** Granite Bay High School 1 Grizzly Way
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- Auburn:** City Hall 1225 Lincoln Way
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- Kings Beach:** Kings Beach Clinic, front parking lot, 8650 Salmon St.



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For more information: 530 889-7238

www.Coalitionforplaceryouth.org

www.LiveSewerSmart.com

Free Medication Take-back Day

Keeping our kids and water drug-free

FREE Anonymous Drop-off
Unused and Expired Medications
Saturday April 30th
10am - 2pm



Acceptable

- prescription (remove personal info.)
- non-prescription (over the counter)
- controlled substances
- veterinary medications

Unacceptable

- no sharps or lancets
- no medical waste
- no illicit drugs
- no aerosols or hydrogen peroxide

12 Countywide Locations

Roseville:

Oakmont High School
1710 Cirby Way

Roseville High School
1 Tiger Way

Woodcreek High School
2551 Woodcreek
Oaks Blvd.

Antelope High School
7801 Titan Way

Lincoln:

Lincoln Police Department
770 7th St.

Rocklin:

Sierra College
Corner of Rocklin Rd. &
El Don Dr., Parking lot D

Whitney High School
701 Wildcat Blvd.

Granite Bay:

**Granite Bay
High School**
1 Grizzly Way

Loomis:

Sheriff Substation
6140 Horseshoe Bar Rd.

Auburn:

City Hall
1225 Lincoln Way

Foresthill:

**Forest Hill
Sub-station**
24580 Main St.
Forest Hill, 95631

Tahoe City:

**Tahoe City
Fire Department**
300 North Lake Blvd.



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Prescription drug abuse trend is a call for action

'Take back' day Saturday aims to get unwanted meds out of home

By Joanna Jullien Press Tribune Correspondent



Joanna Jullien/Press Tribune

Coalition for Placer Youth members staged a "flash mob" at Saturday's Hot Chili Cool Cars in Rocklin to spread the word about the drug take-back event. From left, Sierra Hickman, Kendall Odom, Tate Sutter, Jalen Lewis, Mason Summers, and Julie Paige, all of Auburn; Whitley Rummel of Meadow Vista; Andrew Burrows of Roseville; and Brandon Barry of Auburn.

Placer County Environmental Engineering, Placer County Health and Human Services and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration.

Participants are asked to remove labels from the bottles, or to make any personal information (i.e. name, address, phone number, birth date) unreadable for privacy reasons.

On Saturday, the Youth Commission of Placer County mobilized a "flash mob" at the Hot Chili Cool Cars event in Rocklin to call attention to the prescription drug take back event out of concern for their peers who are abusing other people's medicine, and for the environment.

"The medication take-back day is important because prescription drug abuse is an issue in the community and the take-back is a step toward an environmentally safer solution for people to get rid of drugs they don't need," said youth commission member Andrew Burrows, a Roseville teenager who attends Jesuit High School.

Getting the message out is key, said Kathie Sinor, health instructor at Granite Bay High School and Rx Committee Chair for the Coalition for Placer Youth.

"Parents need to have conversations with their student about prescription drugs, specifically the fact that these drugs are very powerful substances and just because you get it from a doctor doesn't mean they are safe to take," she said. "We had an incident here on campus with two girls snorting ground up Xanax through a dollar bill."

Sergeant John Weaver, with the Placer County Sheriff Department, oversees the youth services division.

"I would estimate we have seen an increase of prescription drug cases of about 15 percent over the past few years," Weaver said.

He provided the elements of a perfect storm gathering, making prescription drug abuse an ominous threat to youth in our community.

- It's free 95 percent of the time. Youth can walk in and take it out of the medicine cabinet.
- There is a false sense of safety because a doctor prescribes it.
- Many teens find themselves charged with a felony. Giving away Vicodin to a friend with a headache constitutes "Sales of a Controlled Substance."
- Great risk of addiction and death. They are abusing them to get high. They are mixing them with other drugs and alcohol for the purpose of self-enjoyment. Many times this results in overdoses.
- And, finally, money pressures. The classic drug dealer (yes they come in the 16-year-old version) takes Mom or Dad's

Steve Williams, director of Pupil Services for the Roseville Joint Union High School District, recalls a recent incident wherein a student at one of the campuses took Mom's Xanax prescription to school and handed it out like it was candy. This child also sold the anti-anxiety medication to some kids.

"What surprised me was how trusting these students were to take something they knew nothing about," Williams said.

He observes that kids are granted unsupervised use of the Internet and mobile phones with easy access to prescription medication at home. He sees more students unable to discern right from wrong.

This Saturday, the Coalition for Placer Youth is organizing a countywide prescription drug "take-back" event. It is part of a national effort to prevent increased pill abuse and theft by collecting expired, unused, and unwanted prescription drugs, and keeping these medications from being disposed of into the sewer system.

Any prescription or over-the-counter medications can be turned in at 12 locations across Placer County. The prescription take-back event is free and anonymous, with no questions asked. It is being staged in conjunction with local law enforcement agencies,

prescriptions and sells it for profit.

This trend correlates with the statistics released by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration — that the proportion of all substance abuse treatment admissions of those aged 12 and older involving abuse of prescription pain relievers rose by over 400 percent from 2.2 percent in 1998 to 9.8 percent in 2008.

"This is a call for 'all hands on deck,'" Williams said. "We need to protect kids to a much higher degree because the negative influences are working overtime to get their hooks into our children. Everyone is at risk."

Joanna Jullien is a local freelance writer. She can be reached at www.bananamoments.com.

Prescription Drug Take-Back event

What: Free and anonymous drop-off of unwanted or expired prescription drugs

When: 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday

Where: 12 locations throughout Placer County

Woodcreek High School, 2551 Woodcreek Oaks Blvd. in Roseville

Roseville High School, 1 Tiger Way in Roseville

Oakmont High School, 1710 Cirby Way in Roseville

Granite Bay High School, 1 Grizzly Way in Granite Bay

Antelope High School, 7801 Titan Drive in Antelope

Colfax Sheriff Sub-Station, 33 N. Main St. in Colfax

S. Placer Sheriff Sub-Station, 6140 Horseshoe Bar Road in Loomis

Sierra College, Parking Lot D Rocklin Road side, 5000 Rocklin Road in Rocklin.

Whitney High School, 701 Wildcat Blvd. in Rocklin.

Auburn City Hall, 1255 Lincoln Way in Auburn.

Lincoln Police Dept. 770 7th St. in Lincoln.

Kings Beach Clinic, front parking lot, 8650 Salmon St. in Kings Beach

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Local drug collection sites

Published Friday, Sep. 24, 2010

The U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration along with agencies in the Sacramento region will participate in a nationwide Prescription Drug Take-Back Day on Saturday. Collection sites will accept expired, unused and unwanted prescription drugs from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. A full list of sites can be found online at www.dea.gov. Among the locations:

SACRAMENTO COUNTY

- U.S. Post Office parking lot, 2929 Fulton Ave., Arden Arcade
- Rancho Cordova Police Department, 10361 Rockingham Drive, Rancho Cordova
- Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, Garfield Station, 5510 Garfield Ave., Foothill Farms
- Sacramento County Sheriff's Department, Florin Station, 7000 65th St.

EL DORADO COUNTY

- El Dorado County Sheriff's Department, El Dorado Hills substation, 4354 Town Center Blvd. No. 112, El Dorado Hills
- El Dorado County Sheriff's Department, 300 Fair Lane, Placerville

PLACER COUNTY

- Auburn Police Department, 1225 Lincoln Way, Auburn
- Placer County Sheriff's Department, Colfax Station, 33 Main St., Colfax
- Granite Bay High School, 1 Grizzly Way, Granite Bay
- Lincoln Police Department, 770 Seventh St., Lincoln
- Sierra College, Parking Lot D, 5000 Rocklin Road, Rocklin
- Whitney High School, 701 Wildcat Blvd., Rocklin
- Roseville High School, 1 Tiger Way, Roseville

- Woodcreek High School, 2551 Woodcreek Oaks Blvd., Roseville
- Oakmont High School, 1710 Cirby Way, Roseville

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Is your business 'Green'?

Get recognized for it and save money!

The Sacramento Area Sustainable Business Program is coming to Placer County. *The program is free and can save you money*



The Sacramento Sustainable Business program certifies and promotes businesses and other organizations that pledge to adopt environmentally friendly practices and conserve resources.

The Sustainable Business program is a free service sponsored by fellow businesses, government agencies and utility providers in the El Dorado, Placer, Sacramento, Yolo County, and Sacramento River Watershed region. It is administered by the Business Environmental Resource Center (BERC).

How do I get started:

- Review the certification criteria and suggested measures found on the website - www.SacramentoSustainableBusiness.org.
- Complete and submit an application - available on the website.
- Meet with helpful and knowledgeable program staff.
- Get connected with money-saving rebates and *free* services that save your business money.
- Implement the selected measures.
- Allow program staff to verify the selected measures and track your progress.
- Businesses that certify get a window placard to proudly display at their business.
- Enjoy the benefits of being a Sustainable Business!

For more information, contact:

**Business Environmental
Resource Center**

3200 Freedom Park Dr., Suite 100
McClellan, CA 95652
(916) 874-2100
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New program helps businesses lower utility bills, purchasing costs

Placer businesses looking to show that they are operating sustainably now have a way to show it. A

coalition of local governments, utilities and private businesses unveiled a Green Business Certification Program today. The program is 100 percent voluntary, free to participating businesses and is sponsored by area businesses.

The certification process allows credits for "green" improvements and business practices in the areas of energy and water efficiency, solid waste recycling and reduction, green transportation and pollution prevention (air and water). Certifying businesses receive a certificate and a window placard to display at their place of business.



Businesses interested in participating in the Placer Green Business Certification Program are encouraged to call the Business Environmental Resource Center at (916) 874-2100 or visit their website at

www.SacramentoAreaSustainableBusiness.org

Membership Discount Program is Here!

The Auburn Chamber of Commerce is very proud to debut the "Auburn Chamber Member Discount" program on its website! But this is much more than just a page on the website. There are two ways to participate; as a member business offering a discount to Chamber members, or you as a member, purchasing a product or service at a participating Chamber Member business.

Offering a discount is easy; all you need to do is decide what type and amount of discount offered. Stop by the Auburn Chamber office, or visit the website (www.auburnchamber.net), go to "Member Discount" in the membership section, complete the member discount form, and send it to the Chamber office. The Chamber staff will take it from there.

Your business and your specific "chamber member discount" will be included on the website under the "Member Discount" link. The Chamber will encourage members to take advantage of member discounts; promote all to think – shop – support Auburn Chamber member businesses.

Of course, real success will come by making your discount "unique and exclusive" to Chamber members. Preferably, the discount should be something that you would not normally offer.

Chamber members will be encouraged to re-visit and check-out "Member Discounts" on the Chamber website before shopping; as new and current discounts offered may change. The 2011 "Chamber Membership Card" will identify members to participating Auburn Chamber businesses for discounts.

Keep in mind, the Auburn Chamber provides promotion and marketing for member businesses, and is not responsible for and does not warrant any discount that is offered. It is solely the responsibility of each participating business to maintain the discount listing on the Auburn Chamber website, and to be very clear about the discount offered, any restrictions, limits and any further details as needed.

Watch the discount program grow and enjoy discounts especially designed for the Auburn Chamber of Commerce membership!

It's easy to get started...just [click here](#)

ADVERTISE HERE!!



If you want to see your
business name/logo here,
contact the Chamber
Office 885-5616 ext 223 or
info@auburnchamber.net

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Green Business Program Premier in Placer County

The City of Roseville, in conjunction with other local governments, private businesses, and Chambers of Commerce announces the premier of the Placer Green Business Program, in partnership with the Business Environmental Resource Center's, 'Sacramento Area Sustainable Business Program'.

OUR MISSION:

The Sacramento Area Sustainable Business program promotes businesses that take voluntary actions to prevent pollution and conserve resources.

CERTIFIED BUSINESSES:

Businesses in Placer County will have the opportunity to certify "green" improvements and business practices in the areas of energy and water efficiency, solid waste recycling and reduction, green transportation and pollution prevention (air and water). The program is free to participating businesses, 100 percent voluntary and certifying businesses receive a certificate and a window placard to display at their place of business.

Certifications give area businesses an opportunity to reduce their operating costs by lowering their utility bills and demonstrate their commitment to operating sustainably.

This program is really designed to help facilitate the implementation of 'green' facility and business practice changes that are good for the environment and the bottom line," said Derrick Whitehead, Director of Environmental Utilities for Roseville. "Making these changes results in lower utility costs and purchasing costs and gives participating business a marketing tool to demonstrate their commitment to operate sustainably."

Become a Sacramento Area Sustainable Business in Three Easy Steps...

1. **APPLICATION.** Review the [certification criteria and checklists](#) for Placer County businesses. Fill out the checklists indicating the suggested measures or practices you select. Once implemented, submit an [application](#) and your completed checklists for review.
2. **VERIFICATION.** Allow program staff to verify the selected measures and track your progress by setting up a phone conference or site visit at your place of business. Once certified, your business will be presented with a certificate and window placard indicating the level of certification.
3. **RECOGNITION.** Submit a business description, a business logo, and a picture of your choice. These will be used on the Sacramento Area Sustainable Business website where your business will gain free advertising.

What are the benefits of being a Sacramento Area Sustainable Business?

- Free assistance in making changes to your business
- Free advertising and promotion
- Cost savings through improved efficiency, energy and water conservation, and waste reduction
- Community recognition of your voluntary efforts to improve our environment
- The opportunity to gain recognition in the SSB quarterly newsletter
- The opportunity to gain recognition through SSB annual awards ceremony

For additional program information please call (916) 874-2100, or click [How to Become a Sacramento Area Sustainable Business](#) to learn more on how your business can become a Certified Sustainable Business.

Go to the [Business Listing](#) page to view a list of all certified businesses

View a map of [Sacramento Area Sustainable Businesses](#)

The Placer Green Business Program partnership with the Sacramento Area Sustainable Business Program is sponsored by:

United Natural Foods

Auburn Printers

Recology Auburn Placer

Whole Foods

Sierra Tech Services

SIMS Recycling Solutions

REjuvenate Day Spa

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NEWS RELEASE

Got Bugs? Free Pest Control Workshop and Free Ladybugs

AUBURN, Calif. — March 28, 2011 — Ladybugs are cute, voracious, pest-eating machines. One ladybug can eat 5,000 aphids in their lifetime!

City of Auburn residents can learn more about ladybugs and other natural pest control methods at two FREE city-sponsored workshops being offered this spring. Attendees, who live within the city limits of Auburn, will receive a box of 1,500 ladybugs to help control pests in their own gardens.



Integrated pest management (IPM) is the practice of using least-toxic pest control methods for the home and garden. The two-hour IMP workshops are a funded by the City and taught by the [Placer County Master Gardeners](#). Residents may register at

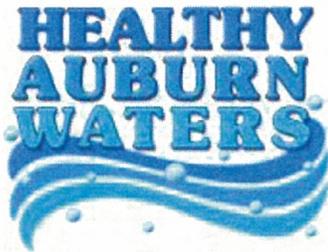
www.healthyauburnwaters.org/workshop_ipm.htm for one of two sessions:

Saturday, April 9, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon
IPM for Lawn and Landscaping

Sunday, May 1, 2011 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.
IPM for Edible Gardens

Only residents within the city limits are eligible for the ladybugs. If space allows, residents from the surrounding community may attend but won't receive the free ladybugs. Learn more about this workshop and a Kid's Composting workshop scheduled for June 14 at www.HealthyAuburnWaters.org or send an email to info@HealthyAuburnWaters.org.

This educational program is part of the Healthy Auburn Waters, a public awareness campaign about how local citizens can protect area creeks, rivers and streams.



About Healthy Auburn Waters

The Healthy Auburn Waters campaign—sponsored by the City of Auburn—is a public education program that teaches residents and businesses how to properly dispose of chemicals; pesticides; cooking fats, oils and grease; motor oil, medications and fuel. The Healthy Auburn Waters campaign seeks to protect Auburn waterways for the people and wildlife living in our area. For more information, visit www.HealthyAuburnWaters.org or [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).

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Media Contact: Jennifer Harrison, for the City of Auburn: 916-716-0636 or jennifer@jharrisonpr.com

Note: High-resolution photograph available upon request.



GOT BUGS?

Be kind to the environment this spring. Learn how to use least-toxic pest control in these FREE* workshops.



Gardener's Pest Control

Saturday, April 9, 2011

or

Sunday, May 1, 2011



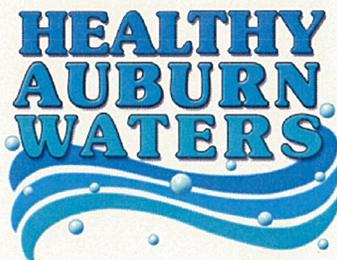
Worm Composting for Kids!

Tuesday, June 14, 2011

Learn more or register: www.HealthyAuburnWaters.org

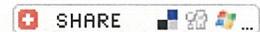
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* City of Auburn residents only.



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Fall workshops highlight perfect composting time

City of Auburn sessions give attendees own bin

By Gloria Young Home & Garden



Jennifer Harrison/Courtesy to Home & Garden

Kevin Marini, of the University of California Cooperative Extension, talks to 34 attendees at a recent composting workshop.



residents attending the workshops get a free compost bin.

Fall is a good time to get into composting.

"Most people have or are about to have a lot of fallen leaves," he said. "You also have food scraps, coffee grounds and tea bags. It's pretty easy to find organic materials around the house and most people throw them away or send them to green waste."

Composting materials fall into two categories — greens and browns.

"The browns are the dried materials and greens are the food scraps," Marini explained.

The magic happens when they're mixed in equal volume in the pile.

"If you have a big pile of leaves, it could be there a year from now," he explained. "But if you mix those with green materials, it will break down faster."

The compost pile doesn't need to be covered (except during heavy rain), but it must always be moist.

"When it dries out, it is an open invitation to critters to make a home there," he said.

At the same time, food scraps need special attention.

Composting is an easy way to turn yard debris and kitchen scraps into good things for the soil.

And it doesn't have to be labor intensive or expensive, according to Kevin Marini, University of California Cooperative Extension adviser for the Placer and Nevada counties Master Gardener programs.

"You can use any type of scrap wood to contain the pile," Marini said recently.

For his own home composting, he uses three pallets.

"There's one pallet for the back and two for the two sides and I leave the front open," he said.

He uses T-posts to hold it all together "so there's no nailing involved."

Marini is working with the city of Auburn's healthy waters program to present two composting workshops. The first was held Saturday. The next one will be Nov. 6. City

"If you make sure they are buried in the middle of the pile and covered with leaves and grass clippings, you're a lot less likely to have critters," Marini said.

Residents in housing developments will want to follow the rules of their homeowners association for composting. Some require closed bins to keep out vermin and other animals.

One of the big benefits of composting is there's no need for chemicals or commercial additives.

"It is a totally natural process," he said. "Ideally, keep it moist but not too wet. It helps to add water to the pile while you're building it, rather than watering it at the end."

Aeration is equally important.

"Turn it every once in a while," Marini said. "If there's a lack of air in the pile, that's where the smells come from. Once a compost pile compresses down and there's no more air, you get these smells. So you need to aerate every week or two weeks."

Use a digging fork or hay fork for that.

You can create the compost pile all at once or gradually.

"You're basically either building it from all the materials at one time or adding as materials come available," he said. "Either way is acceptable."

If everything is done correctly, the metamorphosis takes place pretty quickly.

"If you had all the materials to build a pile at least three feet by three feet by three feet, it could compost in six to eight weeks," Marini said. "That's if you have equal volume of greens and browns. Most people are going to add to the pile as they have materials. (In that case), it takes three to six months to get a lot of compost out of it."

Marini has been with the University of California Cooperative Extension office for eight years, training and managing volunteers for the Master Garden programs. His career is a slight detour from his college major.

"I studied ethnobiology, the cultural use of plants," he said. "I started to work on school gardens and that's what really made me realize that a lot of people don't have a connection to the food they eat. I gravitated to the Master Gardener program because it is a great educational program. The goal of the program is to educate the local community on good gardening practices and where our food comes from."

Composting is a popular topic that keeps Marini's "rotline" pretty busy.

"I get a lot of calls on that line," he said. "It's a great resource. It's usually a simple question that turns into a great conversation."

The city's composting workshops are proving to be very popular, HealthyAuburnWaters spokeswoman Jennifer Harrison said.

"In fact, we probably crested our limit for the 30 bins we can give as far as registration (for the Oct. 16 event)," she said.

There are already signups for the November workshop.

The city purchases the compost bins through Easley Nursery.

"The point is that the city wants to help make the community a wonderful place to live," Harrison said. "Composting is good for the environment and what's good for the environment is good for the community. So this is one way for the city to help the environment and the community at the same time."

Reach Gloria Young at gloriay@goldcountrymedia.com.

Get composting

What: City of Auburn's free composting

workshop

When: 10 a.m. to noon Saturday, Nov. 6, at City Hall, 1225 Lincoln Way

Register at:

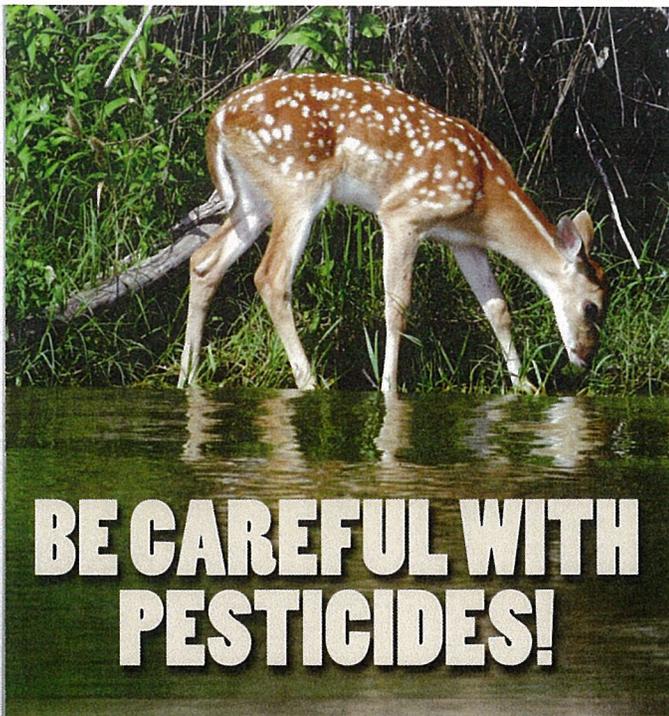
[www. HealthyAuburn](http://www.HealthyAuburn)

Waters.org or e-mail info@HealthyAuburn

Waters.org

The first 30 residents who sign up will receive a free compost bin

Call: Placer County "rotline" – (530) 889-7399



BE CAREFUL WITH PESTICIDES!

Take extra care this spring to mix, apply and dispose of the chemicals you use around your home and business.

Pesticides poured into sink drains eventually get into our waterways. The animals, plants and humans who live here suffer when we are careless! Take a few extra steps to keep Auburn healthy and beautiful for everyone.

- Use pesticides sparingly and be sure to properly mix and apply.
- Do not apply pesticides when rain is imminent.
- Do not pour unused pesticides down the drain, into the gutter or onto the soil.
- Treat unused pesticides as hazardous waste and take to WPWMA for disposal.
- Consider using alternative control methods that are less toxic.

Visit www.HealthyAuburnWaters.org for information about proper use of pesticides, safe disposal, and least-toxic pest control methods.



Brought to you by the City of Auburn and the Healthy Auburn Waters campaign.



FREE WORKSHOPS!

Gardener's Pest Control

Least Toxic Methods to Control Pests in the Garden



Integrated Pest Management for Lawn and Landscaping

Saturday, April 9, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon

or

Integrated Pest Management for Edible Gardens



Sunday, May 1, 2011 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

FREE ladybugs to participants.* Limited to 30.



Worm Composting for Kids!



Tuesday, June 14, 2011 from 10:00 a.m. to Noon

FREE bin and worm supplies to participants.*

Limited to 20 kids + adults.



All workshops held at:

Auburn City Hall, Rose Room, 1225 Lincoln Way

** City of Auburn residents only. Proof of residency required.*

Learn more or register at

www.HealthyAuburnWaters.org

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Stormwater Pollution At Your House

What you can do:

Washing your car

Use minimal amounts of biodegradable phosphate free soap. Wash your car on a grass or gravel area. Put a spray nozzle on your hose to conserve water. Empty any remaining soapy water into a toilet or sink.

Painting your house

Choose water based paints over more toxic oil based paints. Use up all the paint before disposing of the can. Let any residual paint air dry in the can then throw it in the garbage. Rinse your latex paint brushes in the sink.

Caring for your pets

Pick up pet waste. Bag it and throw it away in your garbage.

Watering your lawn

Apply lawn fertilizers and pesticides sparingly to reduce runoff. Use non-toxic pest controls such as insecticidal soaps or ladybugs for aphids. Use grass clippings as a compost for your lawn.

Cleaning your driveway

Use an absorbent like kitty litter or sand to soak up oil and antifreeze spills. Sweep the mixture up. Bag it and throw it in the garbage. Never hose pollutants down your driveway.

Draining your pool

To obtain approval to discharge your pool water, call the City at (530)823-4211

City of Auburn



The City of Auburn Stormwater Management Program is committed to protecting our creeks and streams by involving and educating our residents in Stormwater pollution prevention.



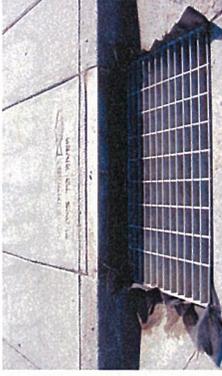
Stormwater pollution comes from many sources. Rain or over-watering can carry pollutants like waste oil, pesticides, paint, and pet waste down the gutter and into a storm drain. Unlike sinks and toilets, storm drains flow directly to creeks and streams. Pollutants are carried into our waterways without treatment. This contaminates the water we drink and play in, and can also harm wildlife.

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To report unauthorized discharges, call
(530)-823-4237.

For other information,
contact (530)823-4211 or
www.auburn.ca.gov

Stormwater in the City of Auburn Working for a Cleaner Environment



What's Down That Dark Drain?

Do you ever wonder what kind of "stuff" goes down those metal grates

on street corners? Or, where that mysterious dark drain leads to?



Where does it go? When it rains or when you hose off your driveway or sidewalk, the water runs down gutters or storm drains.

These drains connect to underground pipes which lead right to creeks and rivers. But a lot of other stuff, most of it toxic,



washes into storm drains. Like motor oil and

anti-freeze from leaky cars,



trash, weed & bug

killers, paint,



and other household toxic's. Yuck!

We call it Stormwater Pollution. Some people don't know that



stormwater pollution can hurt fish, birds, and critters that

live in our creeks and rivers. But you and your family can help stop it!

For more information please call:

City of Auburn
Public Works Department
1225 Lincoln Way
Auburn, CA 95603
(530) 823-4211
www.auburn.ca.gov



WHAT CAN YOU DO?



Tell your parents, teachers, friends, and relatives that you want to protect the Sacramento and American rivers! Here are some things you and your family can do to prevent stormwater pollution:



At Home

- Wash cars infrequently. Use biodegradable soap and a pistol grip nozzle on your hose or use a commercial car wash facility, they usually recycle the water and it never goes to the storm drain.
- Recycle used motor oil and anti-freeze.
- Once a month, remind your family to bring leftover toxic materials such as paint, cleaners, and pesticides to a household hazardous waste collection site. (Material Recovery Facility - 3033 Fiddymment Road, Roseville (916) 645-5230)



At School

- Use water-based paints and wash up inside the classroom!
- Start a recycling center for paper, glass, and cans.
- Always put trash in trash cans — never in the street!
- Ride your bike or the bus, or car pool with a friend. When it rains, air pollution turns into water pollution.
- Stencil a Storm Drain!



Outdoors

- Remind your parents not to apply fertilizer, pesticides, or weed killers if rain is forecast!
- If you see oil on your driveway, use kitty litter to soak up liquids, then sweep it up and throw it in the trash can.
- Use your pooper scooper for your pet, and put poop in the trash.



Let others know about protecting our waterways.

- The City of Auburn will provide everything you need to stencil a storm drain in your neighborhood with the "No Dumping" stencil.
- It's a great project for a neighborhood, school class or community group.
- For more information please call:

City of Auburn, Public Works Department

1225 Lincoln Way,

Auburn, CA 95603

(530) 823-4211

THERE IS A DIFFERENCE BETWEEN

YOUR SINK DRAIN AND THE STORM DRAIN...
The Sanitary Sewer System, connected to your sinks, toilet and floor drains, collects and treats wastewater prior to releasing it back into the environment.

The Storm Drainage System, found in streets, parking lots, and roadside ditches, drains directly to local waterways with no treatment.

Remember:

- Pollutants left open to the environment wash directly into the storm drainage system.
- Allowing pollutants to enter the storm drainage system harms the environment and is also illegal.

Employee Training

- Train all employees upon hiring and each year thereafter.
- Post these Best Management Practices where employees can see them.
- Mark storm drain openings with a message that discourages illegal dumping, such as "No dumping! Flows to Creek".



FOR MORE INFORMATION

Cities

- City of Auburn Public Works
530-823-4211
- City of Lincoln Public Works
916-645-8576
- Town of Loomis Public Works
916-652-1840
- City of Rocklin Public Works
916-625-5500
- City of Roseville Environmental Utilities
916-774-5751

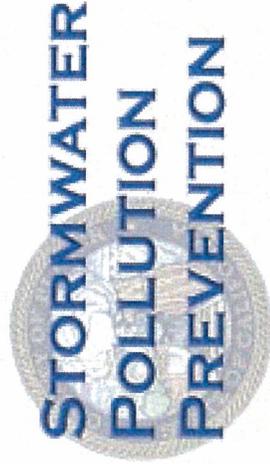
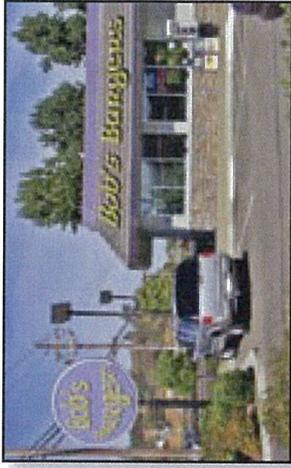
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- Environmental Health/Food Facility Inspections
530-745-2300
- Department of Public Works Stormwater Quality Program
11444 B Avenue
DeWitt Center
Auburn CA 95603
530-889-7500
- stormwater@placer.ca.gov
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