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STANISLAUS COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS NEW STORMWATER WEBSITE

During the wet weather season in the central valley, the Stanislaus County Storm Water Pollution Prevention Program (SWPPP) encourages residents to help protect our waterways from water pollution and encourages safety practices with storm drains.

Using the new SWPPP program's website (www.stancounty.com/publicworks/storm), the public now has user-friendly access to storm water information. Residents, educators, construction, commercial and industrial businesses are all encouraged to visit the website for guidance and services that will help keep Stanislaus County waterways clean.

Features of the website include tips on how residents can reduce the amount of pollutants entering storm drains through proper care and maintenance of their vehicles, proper lawn and garden care, proper disposal of pet waste, proper disposal of household hazardous waste, and more. Likewise, there is information available on the website that can help businesses, construction managers and others reduce storm water flow and sediment erosion. As information is key to successfully making decisions that impact our environment, the website also features local and state regulations with answers to frequently asked questions about the County's Storm Water Program.

Because it is very important to prevent pollutants from entering the storm drains, the new web site aims to educate the public on how to protect the health of the County's waterways through pollution prevention practices. It is not commonly known that storm drains lead untreated waters, chemicals, and debris directly to creeks, rivers, and eventually the Delta and the San Francisco Bay. Due to this threat of pollution, every individual or agency is urged to play a role in protecting area waterways.

The website also provides an Online Complaint Form that can be completed online to request for investigation of a complaint or report a violation.

For further information on the Stanislaus County Storm Water Program, please visit www.stancounty.com/publicworks/storm, or contact the Stanislaus County Department of Public Works at 1716 Morgan Road, Modesto, CA 95358 (telephone number 209-525-4130). You may also send email to: storm@stancounty.com