

Rivanna Regional Stormwater Education Partnership

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- City of Charlottesville
- University of Virginia
- Virginia Department of Transportation
- Rivanna Water and Sewer Authority
- Thomas Jefferson Soil & Water Conservation District)



Pet Waste

Think picking up your pet's waste is unpleasant? How about swimming in it? Every time it rains, runoff from your lawn carries bacteria and other organisms from your pets' waste into local streams. These streams discharge into the Rivanna, then to the James, and eventually to the Chesapeake Bay. The runoff also carries an overload of nutrients to streams, which can cause harmful algae blooms in our local reservoirs. Please do your part. Dispose of pet waste properly by bagging it and throwing it away. Don't leave it in your yard or on the sidewalk. Together we can improve the health of our local waterways.



Don't send the environment down the drain.

To learn more about what you can do to prevent pollution of our local streams, rivers and waterways, visit www.rivanna-stormwater.org.