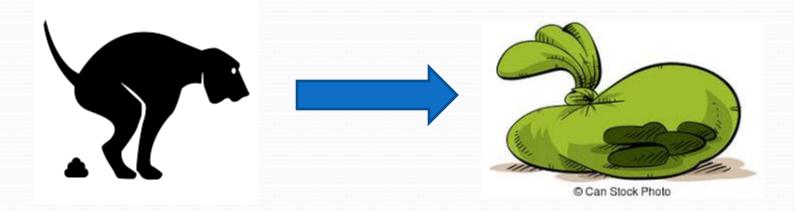


# What is Scoop the Poop?

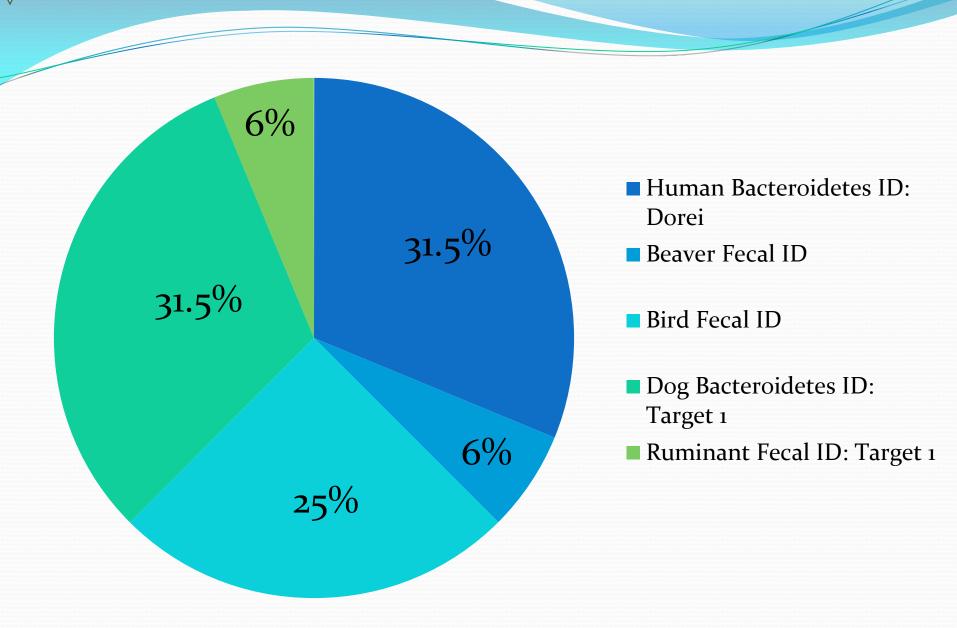
Scoop the Poop is a campaign that encourages dog owners to dispose of their dog's waste in a sustainable way.



### Why is it important? It harms our water.

Recent Water testing done by Source Molecular in the Santa Fe River proved the presence of fecal pollution, a majority of which came from dogs.

<b>Cl</b> ient Reference	Analysis Requested	SM Number
# 1 Cerro Gordo	Human Bacteroidetes ID: Dorei	SM-7129001
# 2 Patty Smith Park	Human Bacteroidetes ID: Dorei	SM-7129002
# 3 Paseo	Human Bacteroidetes ID: Dorei	SM-7129003
# 4 Guadalupe	Human Bacteroidetes ID: Dorei	SM-7129004
# 5 Agua Fria	Human Bacteroidetes ID: Dorei	SM-7129005
# 1 Cerro Gordo	Beaver Fecal ID	SM-7129006
# 1 Cerro Gordo	Bird Fecal ID	SM-7129007
# 2 Patty Smith Park	Bird Fecal ID	SM-7129008
# 3 Paseo	Bird Fecal ID	SM-7129009
# 4 Guadalupe	Bird Fecal ID	SM-7129010
# 1 Cerro Gordo	Dog Bacteroidetes ID: Target 1	SM-7129011
# 2 Patty Smith Park	Dog Bacteroidetes ID: Target 1	SM-7129012
# 3 Paseo	Dog Bacteroidetes ID: Target 1	SM-7129013
# 4 Guadalupe	Dog Bacteroidetes ID: Target 1	SM-7129014
# 5 Agua Fria	Dog Bacteroidetes ID: Target 1	SM-7129015
# 5 Agua Fria	Ruminant Fecal ID: Target 1	SM-7129016



# How does it affect you?



- Unattended pet waste can harbor diseases transmittable to humans (cryptosporidium, giardia, salmonella, hookworms, ringworms, and tapeworms).
- Children and pets are especially susceptible to this.
- These parasites spread more easily when pet waste makes its way into bodies of water.



• The waste acts as a breeding ground for toxic bacteria and algae. This toxic algae steals oxygen from fish and is harmful to wildlife.

### What can you do?

- Bring it: Carry a scooper bag when you walk your dog.
- Scoop it: Use the baggie like a glove, scoop the poop, invert and seal the bag.
- Toss it: It belongs in the trash.
- Place a sign: Put a "scoop the poop" sign in your yard to encourage your neighbors to scoop it up, too.
- Be a role model and practice good dog-ownership behavior. It is crucial to keep dog waste off the ground. If you see un-scooped poop, pick it up. You are sending a message to others, and hopefully your actions will encourage people to do the same.







### What are we doing?

The City of Santa Fe has over 400 pet waste clean-up stations in the area to make a clean environment convenient for dog walkers. Stations include bags for

dog poop and trashcans.







#### **Above and Beyond**

- Dog waste can affect our air quality in addition to our water
- Leaving pet waste to sit in a yard is bad for the soil and
- Keep yards clean of dog waste, even if no one is around to see it.
- There are services available in Santa Fe and surrounding areas that will come to your home and clean up dog waste for you!
- Clean yards help to keep our environment completely clean of pet contamina

