

Stormwater Quality

Pollution

Polluted stormwater runoff is the #1 greatest threat to clean water in Santa Fe. Stormwater picks up sediment, fertilizers, automotive and household chemicals, pesticides, debris, pet waste, and other pollutants as it runs off your property and roadways, and travels untreated into arroyos and the Santa Fe River.

Erosion

As stormwater runoff moves across your property, from impervious surfaces and unvegetated areas, **it can concentrate and cause erosion.** As erosion increases from stormwater, more soil is dislodged and transported off of your property. **Erosion and sedimentation can lead to significant property damage,** as well as negatively affecting the city's downstream drainage systems, roadways, waterways, and more.

Did You Know?

As a property owner, you are legally responsible for managing the terrain and stabilizing the soil within your property to protect against erosion and degradation of the watercourse. You can receive a violation for not controlling erosion and ensuring the watercourse within your property is free of sediment and debris.

(13-2.4, 13-2.9, 13-2.17 SFCC 1987)



Additional Resources

Did you know there are many helpful stormwater management resources that are already available to you?

- 1. Stormwater Management Hub**
Learn more about the actions you can take on your property to help manage stormwater and reduce erosion.
stormwatersantafe.com
- 2. Santa Fe River & Watershed**
View your property in the context of the Santa Fe River Watershed and all that we are doing to protect this vital resource.
santafenm.gov/public-works/parks-and-open-space/river-and-watershed
- 3. National Stormwater Regulations**
The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) guides our collective stormwater actions, learn more at:
epa.gov/npdes/npdes-stormwater-program
- 4. Stormwater Story Map**
In conjunction with the City of Santa Fe, the Santa Fe River Commission has developed a Stormwater Storymap that tells the story of stormwater in our watershed.
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What Tools Can I Use?



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To learn more about stormwater management tools
you can use for your home, head to:

StormwaterSantaFe.com

