

The Stormwater Utility (SWU) fee funds construction, flood control, water quality, and maintenance of the public drainage system in the urbanized area of unincorporated Adams County, shown in green on the map.

ADAMS COUNTY

La tarifa por Servicios de Drenaje Pluvial financia la construcción, control de inundaciones, calidad de agua, y mantenimiento del drenaje público en la zona urbana del condado de Adams que se muestra en verde en el mapa.

Where does your **money** go?

The Stormwater Utility (SWU) fee rate is approximately \$0.02 per square foot of impervious area. Impervious areas are surfaces such as rooftops, concrete, and pavement that do not allow water to naturally infiltrate into the ground. The fee goes toward construction and maintenance of the public drainage system. For project design and construction status, cost, and location, visit the interactive map at adcogov.org/projects-map.

¿A dónde va su **dinero**?

La tarifa de drenaje es aproximadamente \$0.02 por pies cuadrados de superficie no-porosa. Estas superficies incluyen techos, cemento, y pavimento que no permite la infiltración natural del agua en el suelo. La tarifa se utiliza para financiar proyectos de construcción y mantenimiento del drenaje público. Para estatus de diseño y construcción, costo y ubicación de los proyectos visite el mapa interactivo: adcogov.org/projects-map.

Reminder

Annual payments are due by June 30.



Recuerde

Pague antes del 30 de Junio.

Pay over the phone!

Call 1.800.487.4567. Tell the operator you need to pay Adams County, Public Works Department, Stormwater Utility in Colorado.



¡Pague por teléfono!

Llame al 1.800.487.4567. Explique a la operadora que necesita pagar la cuota de aguas de tormenta del Departamento de Obras Públicas de Adams County, Colorado.

Pay online at adcogov.org/stormwater.

It's free, quick, and easy!

Save time and money on postage.

You will need to enter your customer number.



Pague online adcogov.org/stormwater.

¡Es gratis, rápido, y fácil!

Ahorre tiempo y dinero en estampillas.

Necesitará el número de cliente.

Mosquitoes?

Report areas near public drainage systems to

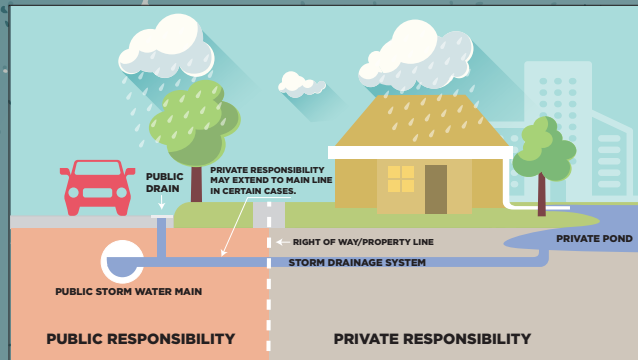
adcogov.org/mosquito-control



Where does the private drainage system end?

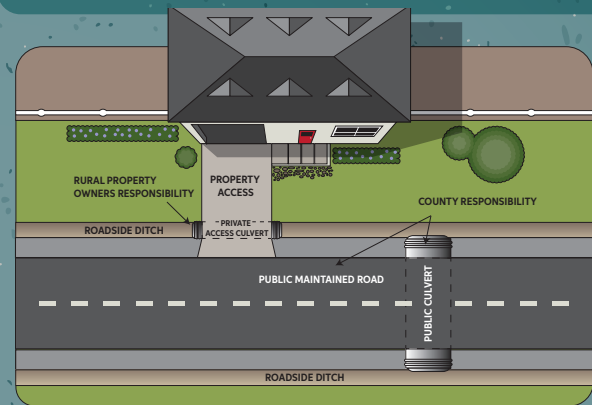
Stormwater systems are designed to collect and convey excess runoff to the river. They play a key role in preventing flooding, pollution, and erosion. Stormwater systems include public and private structures such as catch drain basins, ponds, and ditches, which require periodic maintenance to ensure they function properly.

URBAN DELINEATION



The delineation between the public and private systems is generally located at the private property line, although sometimes a private system may extend into a public road up to the connection with a main public storm pipe or channel. This information is important because public funds may not be used to fix private drainage. See diagrams for common delineation examples in urban and rural settings.

RURAL DELINEATION



Roadside ditch maintenance responsibilities should be determined by Plat. Per Adams County Development Standards and Specifications Section 8-01-06, Table 8.7: maintenance of the access and drainage improvements within county right of way shall be the responsibility of the adjacent property owner.

PRIVATE

A **private** system serves the drainage needs on private property. Private property developers are required to install stormwater drainage features to compensate for the increased flows caused by new construction. Property owners are responsible for maintaining this system. Examples of private system elements include local Home Owners Association (HOA) ponds and culverts under private driveways.

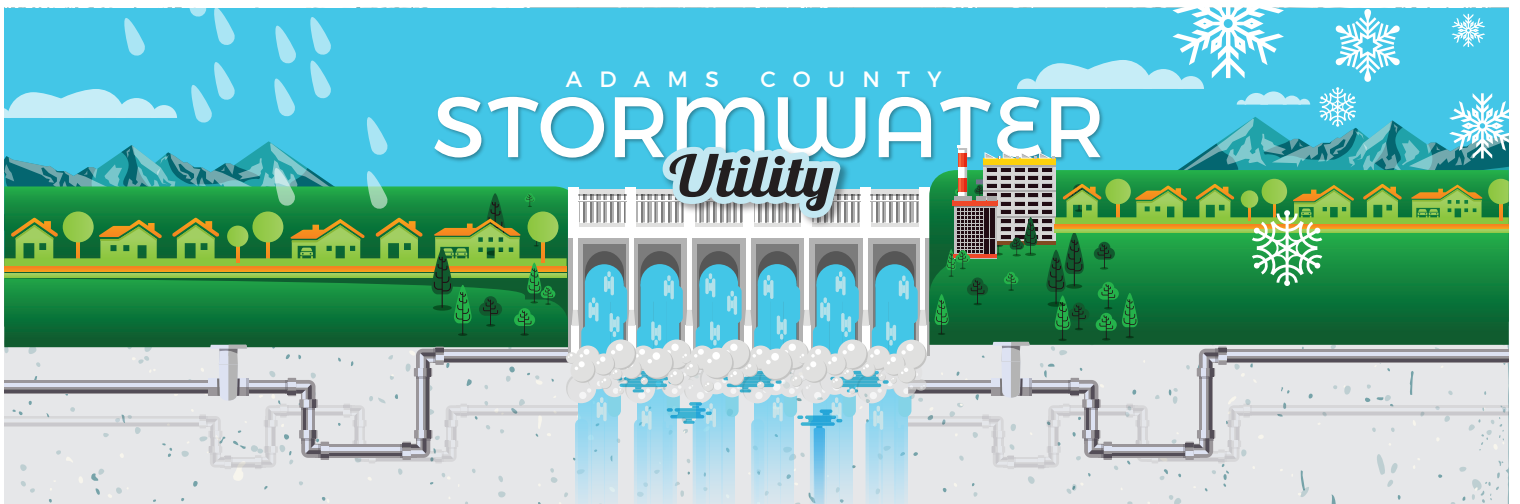
PUBLIC

The **public** stormwater system serves and benefits the whole community at a larger scale and regional level. This system provides drainage of public right-of-way areas, like roads and bridges, and provides an outlet to the river for local detention ponds. The county owns and is legally responsible for maintaining this system. Examples of public drainage system elements include regional channels and regional ponds.

El drenaje público recoge el agua de lluvia de áreas públicas, como calles y puentes, descargando eventualmente en el río. El Condado es dueño y responsable por su mantenimiento. Los fondos públicos no pueden usarse para reparar drenajes privados.

El drenaje privado drena propiedad privada y es requerido para compensar por el aumento de caudal ocasionado por nueva construcción. Los dueños de la propiedad son responsables por el mantenimiento del drenaje privado.

La línea que separa el drenaje público del privado se encuentra generalmente sobre la línea de propiedad privada. Los diagramas ejemplifican las responsabilidades típicas de un lote urbano y otro rural.



ADAMS COUNTY STORMWATER *Utility*

Only Rain Down the Drain

It is illegal to dump anything, except stormwater, into the storm sewer, per County Ordinance No. 11, because stormwater is released into the river **without** treatment.

Examples of illicit discharges:

- Washing tools and equipment on the curb (see top image).
- Leaving pet waste behind.
- Excess fertilizer, which causes algae blooms in water and depletes oxygen for fish.
- Storage of landscape piles on the street which causes an obstruction of the curb's flow and is a traffic safety violation (see bottom image).



Solo lluvia al drenaje

Es ilegal tirar cualquier cosa en el drenaje pluvial por Ordenanza No. 11 porque el agua pluvial se descarga al medio ambiente sin tratamiento.

Ejemplos de descargas ilegales:

- Lavar herramientas en el cordón de la vereda.
- Dejar desechos de su mascota en la calle.
- Exceso uso de fertilizante porque causa crecimiento de algas, agotando el oxígeno para los peces.
- Almacenamiento temporario en la calle de material para el jardín porque causa obstrucción del flujo, y es una violación seguridad vial.

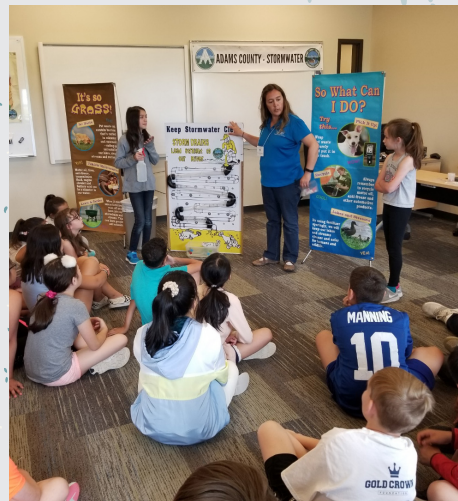
Report illicit discharges to: 720.523.6400 or email swq@adcogov.org

Free Stormwater Educational Services

Contact us about learning opportunities offered to schools, community groups, "green" businesses, and industrial or construction companies within unincorporated Adams County SWU area.

Services include:

- Compliance assistance for industrial and commercial properties.
- Presentations about pollution prevention in English and Spanish.
- Loan of interactive educational watershed display.
- Downloadable information: brochures, placemats, coloring books, etc.
- Supplies for events: drain marker, trash clean-up, water sampling supplies, etc.



Visit
adcogov.org/stormwater-quality-division
for more information.

Servicios Gratuitos de Educación sobre Aguas de Tormenta

Contáctenos sobre oportunidades para escuelas, grupos comunitarios, negocios "verdes," industrias y trabajadores de construcción dentro del área de la tarifa de Drenaje Pluvial del Condado de Adams.

Los servicios incluyen:

- Auditorías del manejo de aguas de tormenta.
- Clases sobre contaminación pluvial en inglés y español.
- Préstamo de una mini-cuenca interactiva.
- Información para imprimir.
- Suministros para eventos.



Flood Awareness

Floods are the most common and costly natural disaster that can happen anytime and anywhere. Please consider purchasing flood insurance through the National Flood Insurance program, which offers a 10% discount for flood insurance to residents and businesses in unincorporated Adams County.

For more information, visit adcogov.org/floodplain-management.

2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thank you for participating in these events to make Adams County cleaner and greener.

Gracias por participar en los eventos verdes que hacen al Condado de Adams más limpio.

Neighborhood Cleanup Events

Berkeley | Saturday, May 15

7 a.m. – noon

Carl Park Community Center
5401 Meade St., Denver

Dahlia | Saturday, June 19

7 a.m. – noon

Adams County Pit, 8080 Dahlia St., Commerce City

Strasburg | Saturday, July 17

7 a.m. – noon

Adams County Public Works
2550 Strasburg Rd.
Strasburg

Free for residents of these neighborhoods.

Barr Lake State Park Cleanup

Saturday, July 10

7 a.m. – noon

13401 Picadilly Rd., Brighton

- ▶ Barbecue at noon and activities until 3 p.m.
- ▶ Free state park admission for volunteers.
- ▶ RSVP: 303.659.6005

Public Lands Day at Barr Lake

Saturday, Sept. 25

9 a.m. – noon

13401 Picadilly Rd., Brighton

- ▶ Access areas typically restricted to the public.

Year-Round

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

Wednesdays and Saturdays

9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Veolia Colorado
Recycling Center
9131 E. 96th Ave., Henderson

- ▶ Available to Adams County residents year-round by appointment only.
- ▶ Call: 303.526.8155.
- ▶ Fees may apply

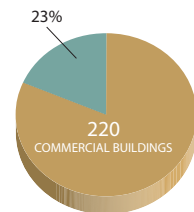
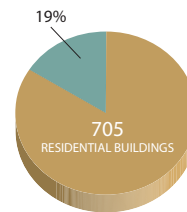
For dates, locations, fees, and COVID-19 requirements, visit adcogov.org/recycling-and-sustainability.

More Events!

- ▶ Electronic Waste Recycling
- ▶ Latex Paint Recycling
- ▶ Special Household Hazardous Waste Drop-Off

Unincorporated Adams County's Flood Insurance Coverage

- ▶ Out of 705 residential buildings located in the floodplain, only 19% are protected.
- ▶ Out of 220 commercial buildings located in the floodplain, only 23% are protected.



Las inundaciones son los desastres naturales más comunes y costosos que pueden ocurrir en cualquier momento y en cualquier lugar. Considere comprar Seguro de Inundación. Hay 10% de descuento para pólizas de propiedades dentro del Condado.



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PUBLIC WORKS

CONTACT US:
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EMAIL: swq@adcogov.org

WEB: adcogov.org/stormwater

HOURS: Tuesday-Friday, 7 a.m.-5:30 p.m.

Adams County Government Center Stormwater Utility

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Brighton, CO 80601