



Stay Back. Stay Safe.

Our stormwater system works behind the scenes to collect rainwater, move it safely through the city, and help reduce flooding and pollution.



Have the stormwater safety talk.

- Stay clear of ponds, ditches, pipes and drains.
- Don't play in flood water.
- Leave wildlife alone. Watch from a distance.

PONDS AND PIPES



- Ponds aren't for swimming or fishing. Banks are slippery and water depth changes quickly.
- Ponds can contain bacteria and algae that are harmful to people and pets.
- Never enter pipes; stay clear. Water flow can increase without warning.

DRAINS AND DITCHES



- Ditch banks may be steep. They can have hidden holes and slippery slopes.
- Drains can have strong suction. Keep hands and feet away, and never remove covers.

CANALS AND CULVERTS



- Never enter culverts; stay clear. Water levels and flow can increase quickly.
- Banks of canals can be slippery. Water can be deeper than it looks.



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