

*Beaufort County, South Carolina*  
**General Announcement**

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## **Beaufort County Encourages Residents to Keep Storm Drains Clear of Leaves and Debris This Fall Season**

Stormwater runoff poses a serious environmental threat with pollutants washing into waterways and eventually the ocean. Beaufort County encourages residents to help keep storm drains clean and clear when doing yard projects this fall by not sweeping leaves and debris onto streets or putting down fertilizers or other outdoor chemicals on days when rain is forecasted. Residents can also help keep storm drains clean and clear by properly disposing of pet waste and litter, and checking cars and lawn equipment for oil leaks.

To make it easier for residents to notify the County of stormwater, roadway, or waterway concerns, a reporting app is available from the Apple Store and Google Play. The [Beaufort County Connect](#) app allows users to easily submit non-emergency requests or report concerns such as clogged or overgrown ditches and culverts, yard or street flooding, or illicit discharge.

Residents can submit pictures and comments with [Beaufort County Connect](#) and receive real-time status updates and communication from County employees. Users can also manage and track all **Connect** requests in one place in the “My Requests” view and search for nearby requests based on their location.

Click [here](#) to view a related poster from the County’s Stormwater Management Department. For more preventive water tips and information about Beaufort County’s Stormwater Management Program, click [here](#) or call 843-255-2802.

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