



county of san diego

irrigation runoff



Let's All Do Our Part!

Most residents are concerned about keeping our waterways clean. In fact, surveys conducted across San Diego County show that **more than 50% of residents** believe that pollution of our beaches, lakes, and creeks directly affects them and their families.

We're Here To Help.

The **County of San Diego Watershed Protection Program** supports residents in their efforts to prevent pollution by offering these important **tips for reducing water runoff** from yards, lawns, and gardens—a major contributor to pollution.



Water that is released to the streets, gutters, and storm drains in San Diego County IS NOT TREATED before it reaches our local creeks, rivers, and the ocean. All sources of pollution, including irrigation runoff, are prohibited from leaving your property and entering streets or storm drains. Only rainwater is allowed in the streets and storm drains.

What Can You Do To Keep Our Waterways Clean?

- **Adjust sprinklers** so they don't spray onto streets and sidewalks.
- **Repair leaking** or broken sprinklers.
- **Water in short cycles** to allow water to absorb into the soil.
- **Water in the early morning** or late evening when it is cooler outside.
- **Replace turf** with drought-tolerant or native plants.

Thank you for doing your part to protect our waterways.

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