



Public Education

Public outreach is very important to the Engineering Division and we are happy to participate in school environmental education programs throughout the year. This past year we held:

- 4 Creek Critter Exploration Days: Benny Bills, Howard, Station Camp and Union STEM Schools
- 1 Neighborhood Litter Cleanup
- Shalom Zone Summer Day Camp
- Career Day: Station Camp Elementary
- A Construction Contractor Workshop
- Built a Kayak Access Ramp along with TN Scenic Rivers Association



The Creek Critters Program is geared and available to all 4th graders in Gallatin. Because of COVID, we could only provide the program to 4 schools this past school year: Howard, Benny Bills, Union STEM and Station Camp

City of Gallatin Stormwater Info

Please visit our website <https://www.gallatintn.gov/1855/Stormwater-Utility> for information on multiple stormwater topics including Stormwater Utility Fee; Flood Safety, Stormwater Maintenance and Drainage Policies; Stormwater Management Plan, our outreach events and volunteer opportunities, and ways you can help keep our waters clean.

Stream Sampling

Every 5 years, our municipal stormwater permit requires that the City of Gallatin visually inspects and takes water quality samples in our streams that have been negatively impacted. This coming late Fall/Winter we will be sending out letters to all homeowners and businesses that may be located along one of these creeks to let you know of the approximate date you may see us or our consultants working in the stream.

Did You Know?

We have over 2 square miles of construction going on within the City Limits! Our stormwater and engineering technicians inspect and oversee construction sites to minimize sediment releases to our streams and streets. If you see any water quality violations such as trash, oil spills, dumping, removal of trees along the stream bank without permits, please report it to the Engineering Division at 615-451-5965.

Town Creek Greenway Project

The Division of Underground Storage Tanks in the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation is partnering with the City of Gallatin on a long-term clean-up effort to remediate contamination from petroleum along the eastern bank of Town Creek. For more information:

<https://www.gallatintn.gov/1934/Town-Creek-Greenway-Project>

Keep Our Waters Clean

Many of us have been spending more time at home lately and finally have the time to get to those home projects we have been putting off. Here are some easy water quality tips that you can use while at home!

1. Wash your car on your lawn instead of in your driveway. This helps water to soak into the soil and keeps suds from washing down the storm drain and into our local streams.
2. Do you have a clogged sink drain? Try using a drain snake tool instead of a chemical option. This helps protect wastewater down the line, and makes it easier on our water treatment facilities!
3. Minimize fertilizer use and never fertilize before a downpour! Heavy rains can wash fertilizer into streams, encouraging excess vegetation growth that blocks sunlight, and negatively impacting local wildlife.

Do your part to help our City of Gallatin streams stay strong and healthy! Thank you!