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CITIZENS GUIDE TO PREVENT POLLUTED RUNOFF & PROTECT NATURE

July 2016

Stormwater Dollars At Work

From January 2016 to May 2016, BSB's stormwater crew completed a total of 113 work orders. A variety of services were provided.

A total of 1,197 feet of televised video line inspection was conducted resulting in 1,205 feet of storm drains cleaned.

BSB crews installed 1,542 feet of drain pipe.

Drain inlet inspections were also performed resulting in 200 being cleaned and 44 being repaired or replaced.

BSB's crew also cleaned 1,312 feet of ditches.

The staff at BSB works hard to provide efficient and effective stormwater management. It is our hope our customers will also do their part in protecting the environment, infrastructure, and public health by practicing responsible practices in their everyday lives.

Remember, only rain down the drain!



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Redbrush Project Update

The Redbrush Phase III project is upgrading 4.5 miles of 1930's era sanitary sewer line. So far, Beckley Sanitary Board's contractors have finished 4.1 miles (21216 linear feet) of sewer line upgrades and are 93.7% complete! By the time this project is complete, it will have extended public sewer service to 21 new customers currently on septic tank systems. Did you know that old and potentially failing septic systems as well as sanitary sewer lines can cause polluted stormwater in our creeks and streams? By performing upgrades of sanitary sewer lines and providing new service connections, we reduce the amount of groundwater and water runoff entering the sanitary sewer system which also reduces sewer overflow pollution and sewer backups.

Preparing for Construction Work

Did you know that polluted stormwater runoff happens when you disturb land? Most people are unaware of how this impacts our water quality. As stormwater flows, it picks up pollutants such as silt, debris, and chemicals from construction sites. In our community, storm drains carry runoff directly to our creeks, rivers and streams without being treated. During construction, it is best to use erosion control practices to minimize pollutants leaving construction sites. For more information on erosion control practices, visit our website at www.beckleysanitaryboard.org.

Permits are required when you are planning to do any type of work on your property whether big or small such as adding a deck on your house, expanding your driveway or building a new home or business. Make sure to contact Beckley Sanitary Board for the required information needed prior to starting your work. And remember, if you are hiring a contractor to do work for you, make sure you ask to see their contractor's license and insurance.

As you may have noticed, Beckley Sanitary Board has updated our Billing System! Please notice your account number has changed. For information on paying your bill online, visit our website at www.beckleysanitaryboard.org.



The Piney Creek Watershed Association in conjunction with the Beckley Sanitary Board is pleased to announce we are again offering discounted rain barrels to Beckley and the surrounding communities of southern West Virginia. The "Ivy" rain barrels from Rain Water Solutions are a great way to reduce your water and sewer bills while also conserving precious water resources.

The normal retail price for an Ivy Rain Barrel is \$129.00 but through this special promotion they are only **\$75.00** each.

You can order your rain barrels with a credit card online at: <http://www.rainbarrelprogram.org/piney>. You can also order your rain barrel through the Piney Creek Watershed Association (304-228-1680) and pay with cash or check. Orders will be accepted through **August 14, 2016**.

IVY RAIN BARREL FEATURES

Made in the USA!

100% recycled plastic

Dimensions 42.5"H x 22" W x 18" L

Child proof, bug proof lid

Best-in-class overflow set up

3/4" ball valve easily connects to garden hose

Three rain barrels easily fit in the backseat of a mid-sized sedan

All parts included and ready to set up

Gravity fed. No pumps required

Link two or more Ivies together using existing overflow hose

Our pick up event is **August 19, 2016** at the Beckley Sanitary Board offices at 301 South Heber St, Beckley, WV. We will be available from **11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.** that day to assist with loading your barrels and to answer any questions you may have about the rain barrels or the association. If you cannot make the pickup event, Piney Creek Watershed Association will make special arrangements for you to pick up your barrel at a different day and location.

Ivy rain barrels capture rainwater from roof-tops by connecting to the homes downspout. This water would typically be sent down the storm drain carrying potential contaminants and contributing to flash flooding. The cumulative effect of rain barrels implemented throughout a geographic area can have a significant impact on storm water management and water quality. Water collected by the rain barrels can be used to wash cars and pets as well as water lawns and gardens.

For more information on the rain barrel program or to order a rain barrel, please visit <http://www.rainbarrelprogram.org/piney> or call Piney Creek Watershed Association at (304) 228-1680.

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