

Before



After



Photographs of an AMAFCA facility on the west side of the Rio Grande. Note the trash being kept out of the Rio Grande by the trash racks in the photo on the right.



## STORM WATER RUNOFF AND POLLUTION PREVENTION

The Village has filed a permit for storm water management in the Village with the Environmental Protection Agency consisting of a Notice of Intent to discharge storm water and a Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP). This permit is to comply with the water quality requirements of the Clean Water Act, specifically the NPDES Phase II Storm Water Regulation, for small municipal systems. The Village is addressing storm water pollution in conjunction with the City, AMAFCA, Bernalillo County and other governmental agencies.

What is storm water pollution? Anything but water. Storm water pollution is defined as any constituent in the storm water runoff other than water. Pollutants include sediment, floating debris, bacteria, pathogens, chemicals, oils and greases, organic materials, etc.

Why do we care? Rio Grande Water Quality. Storm water runoff in the Village eventually reaches the Rio Grande, either by surface or underground conveyance. The Rio Grande is listed as an impaired waterway, meaning the water does not meet minimum water quality standards. The intent of the Village SWMP is to enhance the water quality in the Rio Grande by reducing pollutants in the Village runoff.

What is the Plan? Implement systems to reduce pollutants. The SWMP includes several activities to be conducted by the Village and public. These will be presented as we implement the Plan.

Watch for more information on "The Plan", "How to Help", and gathering more information!

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