



## ACHD STREET MAINTENANCE NO LEAVES IN THE STREET!

*You are responsible for the leaves on your property.  
Everyone works together to maintain safe commutes  
and prevent stormwater pollution.*



### SAFETY

Raking leaves into the street clogs storm drains and leads to localized flooding which is a potential safety hazard for commuters and neighboring properties.

Reduce the potential of flooding events where you live and work by participating in your city composting and recycling program or dispose of leaves in your trash container. Find specific curbside pickup details at each city's website.



### WATER QUALITY

Leaves left in the street can break down and wash phosphorus-rich stormwater into the storm drain system which is connected to groundwater and surface waters such as the Boise River. High phosphorus levels in the water promote excessive algae growth which can harm our waterways and become a health hazard for humans and animals.

ACHD and the public working together to properly dispose of leaf litter is one way we can help maintain safe commutes and protect water quality.

### DID YOU KNOW?

- Stormwater that enters the storm drain system in Ada County is NOT treated at a wastewater treatment plant before discharging to waterways.
- **You can help ACHD by keeping the storm drains and street gutters clear of leaves.**
- On average, ACHD's Street Sweeping Program disposes of 4,100 cubic yards of leaves between the months of October and February each year which is equivalent to filling 410 ACHD dump trucks.

**REPORT ILLEGAL DUMPING**  
**208-395-8888**

ACHD maintains a Stormwater Pollution Hotline that is available to take your call 24/7. Report illegal dumping of any material into the street or storm drain by calling 208-395-8888.



### QUESTIONS?

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