

# Canal and Ditch Maintenance

## TIPS

- Keep yard debris out of street inlets
- Keep the curb by your home clean and clear
- Report any drains that flood or drain slowly
- No not put yard debris into ditch systems
- Keep pet waste out of the system!
- Keep trash out of the system

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## CANALS:

We schedule ONCE A YEAR inspections and cleaning of almost 25 miles of major drainage canals. Special flood prone “Hot Spots” receive additional inspections and cleaning . This work is mostly done by hand to minimize intrusion into yards. Our efforts help minimize flooding, keeps pollution out of the system, and gives Town residents who have flood insurance a discount. Please help by NEVER putting any debris in or along the banks of ditch systems. Our inspections help us schedule repair projects and identify illegal dumping.



## STREET DITCHES:

Some systems may be private or maintained by another agency, as such we may not be able to clean certain systems. However, we can assist with forwarding requests to agencies, such as the SC Department of Transportation.

Street front ditches should be kept clean by the property owner but if the ditch is filled in and not flowing we can dig the ditch to the proper depth or alerting the right agency! We do not weed eat, mow, or perform general leaf debris removal.

Where multiple street ditches need cleaning we work to coordinate this effort with your neighbors.

*Please note that the Town accesses the public system through drainage easements that may be on your property. The Town is authorized to access these easements and systems at any time. The Town is not responsible for the replacement of your landscaping or fences etc. in the course of our repair activities. We make EVERY effort to minimize the intrusive nature of our repair work.*