



NON-POINT SOURCE (NPS) POLLUTION



WHAT CAUSES NPS?

NPS pollution is caused by rainfall or snowmelt moving over and through the ground. As the runoff moves, it picks up and carries away natural and human-made pollutants, finally depositing them into lakes, rivers, wetlands, coastal waters and ground waters. For St. Albans NPS directly affects the Coal and Kanawha River.

The illustration above shows some of the primary activities that generate nonpoint source pollution -including farming and grazing activities, timber harvesting, new development, construction, recreational boating, manure, pesticides, fertilizers, contaminated stormwater washed off parking lots, roads and highways, and lawns. Even households contribute to NPS pollution through improper chemical and pesticide use, landscaping, and other household practices.

Did you know?

According to the EPA, NPS is the main reason that 40% of surveyed bodies of water are not clean enough to meet basic uses such as fishing and/or swimming.

HOW CAN WE HELP?

The WV DEP has a program to help prevent NPS called Watershed Improvement Branch (WIB). Their mission is "To inspire and empower people to value and work for clean water". They coordinate multi-agency efforts to address NPS by: Providing assistance in the proper installation and maintenance of (BMPs); supporting citizen based watershed organizations; supporting partners whose activities relate to nonpoint issues; and Restoring impaired watersheds with nonpoint abatement projects. Check out more at dep.wv.gov

You can also help at home by:

- cleaning up pet waste and trash
- limiting the amount of fertilizers and pesticides you use, plus do not apply them when it is about to rain
- implementing stormwater management practices at home like planting trees or adding a rain barrel
- using environmentally friendly cleaning products
- disposing of hazardous chemicals properly
- cleaning up and fixing vehicle leaks promptly





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WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SA?



St. Albans Historical Society

Monthly Open House
404 4th AVE

SAT JULY 3rd 10am - 2pm

St. Albans Farmers Market

The Loop parking lot beside the
St. Albans Fire Department

SAT JULY 10, 17, 24, & 31
9:30am - 12:30pm

Alban Arts Theatre

65 Old Main Plz

SAT JULY 3rd at 2pm

Join the Center for Paranormal Research and Investigation (CPRI) as they describe how they approach paranormal research and provide examples of data collected at the Alban Arts Center.

HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!

***All city offices will be closed**

MON JULY 5th for Independence Day.

FEMA HELP

Did you experience damage from the late February flood?

How can FEMA help you?

Assistance from FEMA may help you and members of your household affected by a disaster take care of necessary expenses and serious needs that cannot be met through insurance or other forms of assistance.

Housing Assistance:

Housing Assistance may provide financial or direct assistance, including:

Rental Assistance: Financial assistance to rent temporary housing while disaster-caused repairs are made to your primary residence, or while transitioning to permanent housing.

Lodging Expense Reimbursement: Financial assistance reimbursement for short-term lodging expenses.

Home Repair: Financial assistance for homeowners to repair uninsured home damage caused by the disaster. The assistance is intended to repair the home to a safe, sanitary and functioning living condition.

Home Replacement: Financial assistance for homeowners who must replace or rebuild their primary residence as a result of the disaster.

Direct Housing: In limited circumstances where adequate temporary housing resources are not available within a reason. FEMA may provide a temporary housing unit directly to homeowners and renters.

How to apply:



Phone: Disaster survivors may call FEMA toll-free at 800-621-3362 (voice) to register for assistance or to check application status. Disaster survivors who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability and use a Text Telephone (TTY) may call 800-462-7585. Disaster survivors who use 711 or VRS (Video Relay Service) may call 800-621-3362.

Internet or Smartphone Application:

Disaster survivors may register for assistance or check application status at www.DisasterAssistance.gov. Disaster survivors may also access FEMA via smartphone by downloading the application from www.fema.gov or through their mobile provider's application store.

By Mail or Fax:

To submit documents to FEMA by mail:
FEMA
National Processing Service Center
P.O. Box 10055
Hyattsville, MD 20782-7055

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(800) 827-8112 Attention: FEMA