

Drain Inserts

Your Drain Insert BMPs Keep Our Waterways Clean

(BMPs) are installed on many properties in the City to help prevent pollutants such as trash, fertilizers, pesticides, and sediment from making their way into storm drains and ultimately to our local creeks, lagoons, and the Pacific Ocean.

City records indicate that you have at least one drain insert on your property.

City of Vista municipal code *requires owners of Stormwater Structural BMPs to perform routine inspections and maintenance actions to ensure that the systems continue to function effectively year-round.*

Please refer to this informational handout to guide you in understanding and maintaining your BMP(s).

Example of Drain Insert BMP

Drainage BMPs are designed to capture debris.



If you have any questions, please contact the City of Vista

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Maintenance Checklist

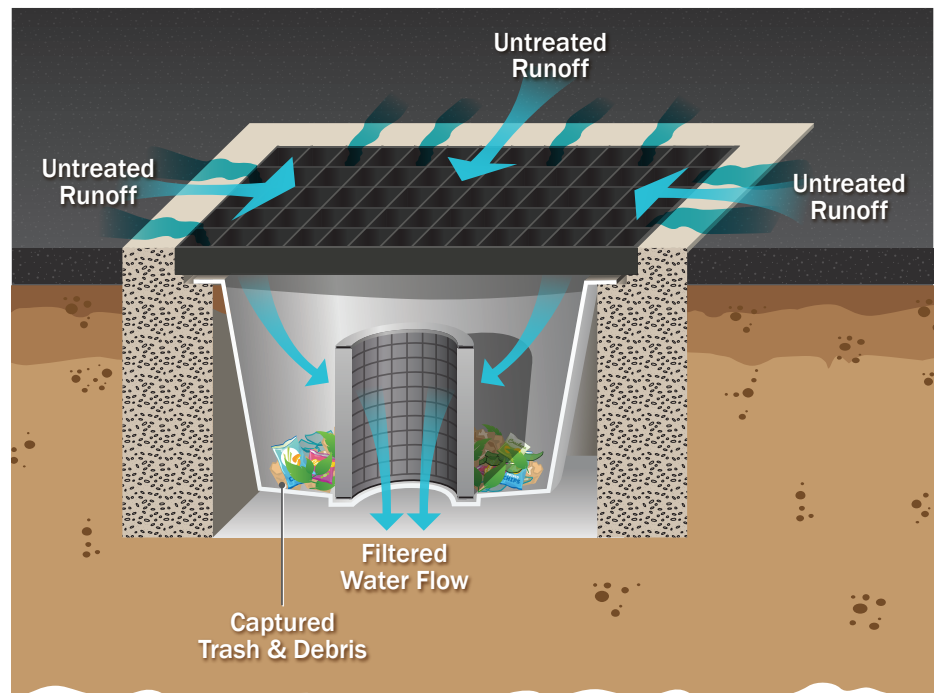


- ✓ Remove any accumulated litter or debris. The insert functions best when cleaned of trash and debris at least quarterly and after significant rain events. Inserts should never be greater than half full with debris
- ✓ Regularly remove trash and debris from surrounding areas, dispose of them properly
- ✓ Look for any filter fabric, filter socks, or mesh baskets that are torn or damaged
- ✓ Have a stormwater maintenance provider or experienced contractor replace any damaged components of the insert, including any worn filter fabric
- ✓ Refer to maintenance plans provided by your property developer to ensure any specific maintenance tasks are addressed

Properties with BMPs are subject to annual verification of maintenance or inspection by City of Vista staff. Failure to maintain functional BMPs at your property may initiate additional follow-up investigation and enforcement action.

How Do Drain Insert BMPs Work?

Drain inserts are installed in storm drain inlets and catch basins. They are typically metal baskets with fabric or metal mesh designed to capture trash and debris so it does not get carried into creeks, streams, and lagoons.



Find and Maintain Your Drain Insert BMPs

To find your drain insert(s), look inside storm drain inlets on your property. They are often holding trash and other debris.



Once You Have Found Your BMP

It is important to inspect and maintain it regularly. Regular inspections and maintenance will allow the drain insert to operate as designed and continue protecting our natural resources.