

# City of Colorado Springs Adopt-A-Waterway Program Sign-Up Document

*It's up to each of us to keep our waters clean...*

That's the idea behind the **Adopt-A-Waterway Program**. The City of Colorado Springs Stormwater Drainage Team encourages local organizations and individuals to formally Adopt-A-Waterway for the purpose of protecting and improving water quality.

The **Adopt-A-Waterway Program** is a relatively low-risk program designed for local groups that are interested in trash and debris cleanup along the waterway. Individuals under the age of eighteen (18) can participate in stream cleanups and other activities if properly supervised by an adult. **Close adult supervision is required for children under the age of 8 at all times.** Participants in the program are advised to stay out of the waterways at all times.

Each adopting group:

- Must include a minimum of 6 people and have an adult (21 years or older).
- Adopts a waterway for a period of at least 2 years.
- Agrees to collect trash along the waterway at least two times per year.
- Must coordinate the group's activities with the City's Project Coordinator.

The City will recognize adopting groups by providing signage for the adopted waterway. The City will provide safety information, trash bags, and other support necessary to adopting groups.

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