

A Homeowner's Guide to Drainage Easement Maintenance

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What is a homeowner's responsibility for drainage easement maintenance?



Do Not Dump Yard Debris



Do Not Place Fences

Do not place any structures, obstructions, bridges, fences or other obstacles within a drainageway including within the drainageway easement. This can contribute to localized flooding.

Do not place yard debris, such as trees, firewood, dirt, or grass clippings in drainage easements. This can contribute to localized flooding.



Do Not Place Structures



Do Not Place Storage Bins



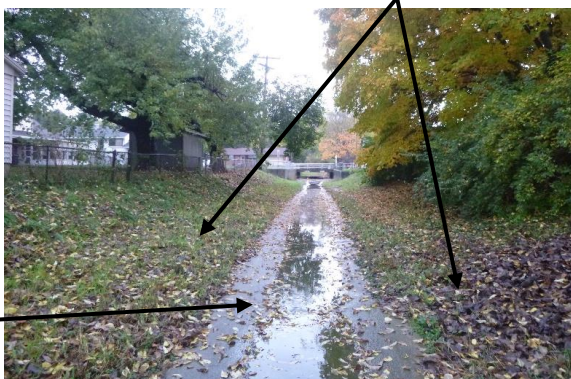
Do Not Place Bridges and Remove Existing Bridges

Keep the drainage easement free of debris and vegetative obstructions including, but not limited to, yard debris, brush, and trash for the passage of stormwater flows.

Homeowner shall maintain, mow, and keep clear area within the drainage easement.

Mow the areas within the easement including the ditch. The City will maintain concrete areas of drainage easement.

City will maintain/repair concrete.



Do Not Place Miscellaneous Items

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What is a drainage easement?

A drainage easement is part of a property where the City has limited rights of access and/or use for the purpose of maintaining drainage. Generally, improvements within the easement cannot be made, including installing fences, sheds, walls or buildings. Furthermore, planting trees or significant landscaping should be avoided.

How to know if a property has a drainage easement?

Generally, this information can be found on your property or subdivision plat. Contact the City of Troy Engineering Department to determine if you have a drainage easement on your property.

