

# Cherokee County



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Property Owner Name  
Property Owner Street Address  
Property Owner City/State

Dear Sir or Madam:

Over the past few weeks the Cherokee County Stormwater Management Department has received several requests for information and complaints about standing water in detention ponds. By and large, property owners are expressing concern that standing water or damp ponds may cause problems with disease carrying mosquitos. Although we appreciate property owner's concern for the safety of the community, most of these ponds are covered by recorded Maintenance Agreements. A Maintenance Agreement requires a property owner or Homeowner's Association to perform routine and preventative maintenance on the stormwater structures (i.e. detention ponds, swales, pipes and ditches outside the county right of way) located in the community. Since most detention ponds and the surrounding property are not owned by Cherokee County, our oversight is only regulatory.

This letter is not intended to suggest that maintenance or any other action is needed at this time. However, in an effort to assist concerned citizens, the Stormwater Department is reaching out to many of the communities in Cherokee County with information which may help address questions about standing water, particularly in detention ponds.

As a courtesy, the Environmental Health Department has provided us with the enclosed articles from the North Georgia Health District regarding mosquito control and prevention. We would like to pass this information on to your community where it can be best utilized.

The Maintenance Agreement attached has been recorded for your community. Please contact your Homeowner's Association for further assistance and guidance, if required, in this matter.

Thank you,

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