

WATER WISE

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Clean Water Starts Here...

Clean water starts with YOU. How you treat Oregon's beautiful lakes, rivers, and beaches while you're out enjoying them this summer is important. Remember not to leave any waste, be cautious of what you put in the water, and encourage others to do the same. Here are some tips for your fun in the sun:

- To prevent litter, try reducing the waste you bring when you go outside. Bring reusable utensils, cups, and dishware whenever possible.
- Did you know that some chemicals in insect repellent and sunscreen can actually kill fish? Try using DEET-free bug spray and sunscreen that doesn't contain oxybenzone.
- Use lead-free tackle when you're fishing to prevent lead from entering our water, too.
- To prevent the spread of invasive species and bacteria, be sure to clean boats, boating equipment, fishing equipment, and innertubes every time they leave the water.

Marion County Water Activities

We asked our staff what their favorite water activities in Marion County are and here is what they said:

- Swim, fish, or boat at one of Marion County's 10 parks with water access
- Float the Santiam River from Green's Bridge to Ferry Street in Jefferson
- Camp, fish, boat, paddle, swim, and more at Detroit Lake
- Explore the North Fork Corridor and its many parks, pools, and hiking trails along the Little North Fork of the Santiam River
- Hike the trail of 10 falls at Silver Falls State Park or hike to one of Marion County's 100+ other waterfalls.
- Take a soak at Breitenbush Hot Springs



Upcoming Events

Litter Clean Up - Saturday, July 13

Lancaster Goodwill - 3535 Lancaster Dr NE Salem, OR
10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Help Marion County Environmental Services clean up Salem!!! Litter clean-ups keep garbage from entering our streams and help you get exercise and meet your neighbors! [Click here](#) to sign up.

