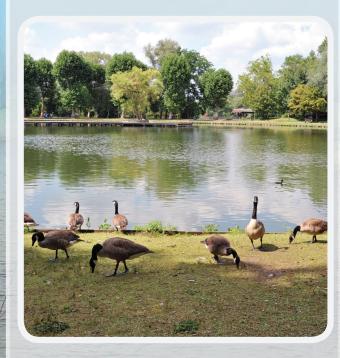
DON'T FEED THE GEESE



Goose droppings are unsightly and are full of nutrients that increase algae growth when washed into our ponds. Geese also prefer to eat the grass around pond edges, causing bank erosion. Feeding them will quickly attract more to your site, increasing both problems.

For additional information on how to keep Wichita waterways clean please visit TadsWater.com



660-7200

Sedgwick County Household Hazardous

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Homeowner's Association Pond Mainenance

Let's Keep Our Neighborhood Pond Clean

Many HOA neighborhoods have detention ponds for stormwater runoff. Proper maintenance of these ponds is necessary to preserve the natural vegetation and wildlife in our community.





WHAT ARE DETENTION PONDS?

Detention ponds capture stormwater and slowly release it into nearby streams, creeks, and rivers, while preventing sediment and pollution from entering.

TWO TYPES OF DETENTION PONDS DRY • Permanent stormwater management basin • Typically holds water for 2-6 days WET • Designed to have a permanent pool of water all year No matter which pond is in your neighborhood, both require maintenance. **DRY POND**

WET POND

MAINTENANCE IS ESSENTIAL!

HELP PRESERVE OUR HABITAT!

Wildlife habitat destruction, flooding, and erosion have irreversible issues that may occur due to a lack of



FOUR THINGS I CAN DO FOR MY NEIGHBORHOOD POND





APPLY FERTILIZER PER DIRECTIONS

- Excess fertilizer causes algae growth which leads to fish kills
- Sweep up any fertilizer that lands on the sidewalk. driveway or street.

SWEEP GRASS CLIPPINGS

 Clippings that reach the pond add excess nutrients, increasing the potential for harmful algae. Please sweep and bag your clippings.

WHO MAINTAINS THE POND IN MY **NEIGHBORHOOD?**

In the majority of cases, the HOA or commercial property owner are solely responsible for the maintenance. As a landowner and member of your HOA, helping maintain these ponds not only helps you, but the whole community.



SCOOP THE POOP

• Pet waste contains phosphorus and harmful bacteria that is toxic to wildlife.



REMOVE TRASH AND DEBRIS

• Pick up any trash causing obstructions at the inlet, outlet. orifice or trash rack.