

Fats, Oils and Grease Program

FOG

FOG stands for fats, oils and grease. We want to keep it out of our sanitary sewer system! In Rockdale, the sanitary sewer system and the storm drain system are separate from each other. Storm drain system openings are located outside in gutters, alleys and streets. The storm drains empty directly into creeks, which flow to area lakes. All material such as liquid and trash poured or dumped on streets, alleys and gutters, enters the storm drains. This waste travels into creeks and into area lakes without being treated.

Using **best management practices** in restaurant kitchens and your home's kitchen can help us all reach a common goal... unclogging the FOG! Reducing fats, oils and grease is the right thing to do for the environment! For more information on the Fats,

Things You Can Do To Help...

- Put oil and grease in covered containers. Do not put oil and grease down the drain.
- Avoid using the garbage disposal excessively, and do not put food scraps down the drain. Scrape food scraps from dishes into the garbage.
- "Dry-Wipe" grease and oil from dishes and cookware and dispose of it in the garbage. Do not rinse with hot water.
- Cover sink drain with catch basket and dispose of contents in the garbage.
- Small amounts of used cooking oil should be reused as much as possible, then poured into a disposable container.
- Large amounts of used cooking oil should be contained and recycled through a local "recycler" or "rendering company".
- Educate your friends and favorite businesses about how to help!