LITTER CAN BLOCK STORMWATER DRAINS resulting in flooding and costly repairs.

LITTER NEGATIVELY IMPACTS real estate values, discouraging economic development.

LITTER DIMinishes AESTHETICS of streets, roads and highways.

More than 25,000 ACCIDENTS are CAUSED BY vehicle-related road DEBRIS each year in the U.S.

It only takes 1 HOUR FOR CHEMICALS TO LEACH from cigarette butts when in contact with water.

ANIMALS CAN GET CAUGHT IN PLASTIC items and become injured or even strangled.

Georgia has both LITTER AND ILLEGAL DUMPING LAWS. Those convicted of littering face FINES UP TO $1,000 and can be ordered to pick up litter themselves.

For more details: https://www.keepgeorgiabeautiful.org/end-litter
Take pride in the Peach State – PREVENT LITTER

Georgia DOT has created programs and teamed with organizations to help REDUCE LITTER on our roadways. Here are a few things you can do to help keep our roadways and waterways free of litter:

- **CARRY** a litter bag in your car.
- For smokers, keep a DESIGNATED PLACE in your car for cigarette butts and ashes until you’re ready to throw them away.
- Properly COVER TRASH receptacles outside to prevent litter escaping.
- BE PROACTIVE! Walk to the nearest recycling or trash container.
- **ENCOURAGE** friends & family to take pride in their community and not to litter.
- **ONLY EMPTY** your RV holding tanks in authorized dump stations.
- **PARTICIPATE** in community clean-ups.
- **SECURE YOUR CARGO** before driving. Don’t use truck beds as mobile garbage cans.

For more information

**GEORGIA DOT’S STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**
dot.ga.gov/IS/Environment/Stormwater

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