Frequently Asked Questions on City of Kent Stormwater Maps

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I see a storm drain on my property that's not shown on your map. Is that possible?

Yes, there are some storm drainage systems that are not shown on this map. Property owners within the city can install small drainage pipes to avoid flooding or other problems, and the work does not necessarily require a permit. Land that has been annexed into the city also comes with some storm drains that are unrecorded. When our maintenance crews see these systems, we update our records as much as possible. But there are some systems where we have no information, or limited information that's based only on our field observations.

What are drainage basins?

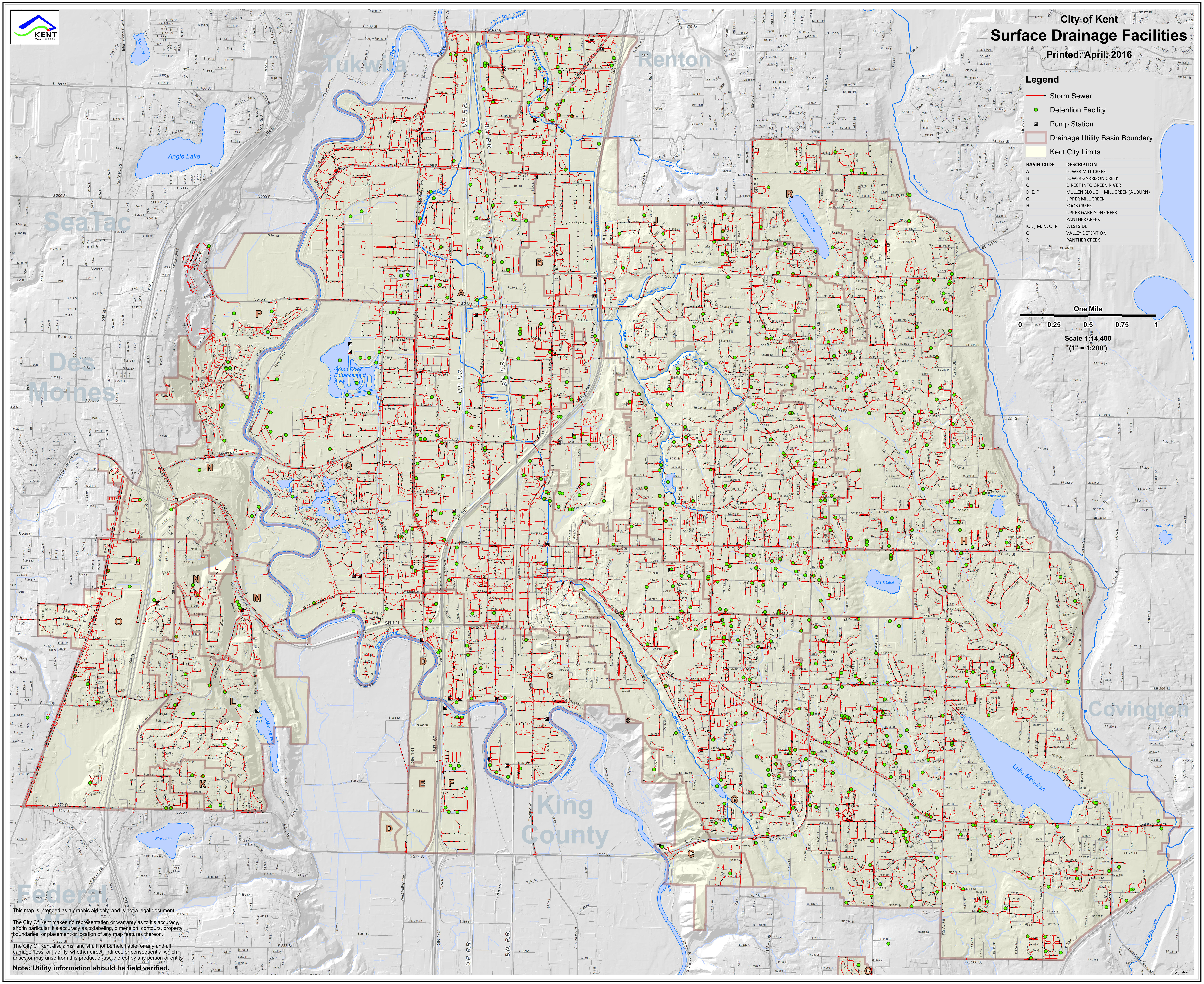
Drainage basins are the zones we've identified where stormwater tends to flow to the same point – typically a lake, river, or some other natural feature. There are 17 drainage basins in Kent, all of which flow eventually to the Green River and then north into Elliott Bay. Drainage basins have several impacts on the development process. For example, drainage basins affect some mitigation fees (the amount of money that the city needs to collect for construction and maintenance of new structures to sustain an acceptable level of flood protection in that area). Drainage basins also affect the level of mitigation that is required for stormwater detention and treatment for a proposed development.

What are the city's typical storm mitigation fees, and why are they not shown here?

Storm mitigation fees are adjusted for inflation, so the exact numbers increase slightly over time. The typical amounts are $200 to $400 per new home, while commercial projects vary widely based on the amount of impervious surface (buildings, paved parking lots, etc.). Monthly storm drainage utility fees range from $2.47 to $7.33 per residence, depending on the drainage basin's need for capital improvement projects.

Who can I contact if I have other questions on Kent's stormwater system?

Send us a message at publicworks@kentwa.gov, or call us at 253-856-5500.



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City of Kent
Surface Drainage Facilities
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Legend
Storm Sewer
Detention Facility
Pump Station
Drainage Utility Basin Boundary
Kent City Limits
BASIN CODE DESCRIPTION
A LOWER MILL CREEK
B LOWER GARRISON CREEK
C DIRECT INTO GREEN RIVER
D, E, F MULLEN SLOUGH, MILL CREEK (AUBURN)
G UPPER MILL CREEK
H SOOS CREEK
I UPPER GARRISON CREEK
J PANTHER CREEK
K, L, M, N, O, P WESTSIDE
Q VALLEY DETENTION
R PANTHER CREEK
One Mile
0 0.25 0.5 0.75 1
Scale 1:14,400
(1" = 1,200')
Tukwila
Renton
SeaTac
Des Moines
King County
Covington
Federal Way
Angle Lake
Green River
Lake Meridian
Clark Lake
Star Lake
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