

DITCHES & CULVERTS

Routine ditch and culvert cleaning (and maintenance) assures proper water flow, protects structures and lessens the likelihood of flooding. In many cases, special care is taken to prevent erosion and sediment damage, as well as protect aquatic life in streams and rivers.



DID YOU KNOW?

If you see a warning sign or barricade that has been placed because water is over any portion of a road, street, or highway and go through the barricade, the offense is a Class B misdemeanor.

Texas Transportation Code
- TRANSP § 472.022

STORMS AND TREES

When the ground is saturated from extreme amounts of rain, trees are more likely to fall due to uprooting and wind. When the tree moves in the wind, the wet soil can become like gravy, causing the roots to slide and slip. This makes it easier for strong winds to topple the tree.



DRIVING IN WATER

Hydroplaning, also known as aquaplaning, occurs when a vehicle's tires lose contact with the road and float on a layer of water instead. This can happen when driving over wet pavement or standing water, and can result in a loss of traction and steering ability. Hydroplaning can feel like the vehicle is drifting or floating, or skidding on ice, and may cause the car to fishtail or veer sideways.