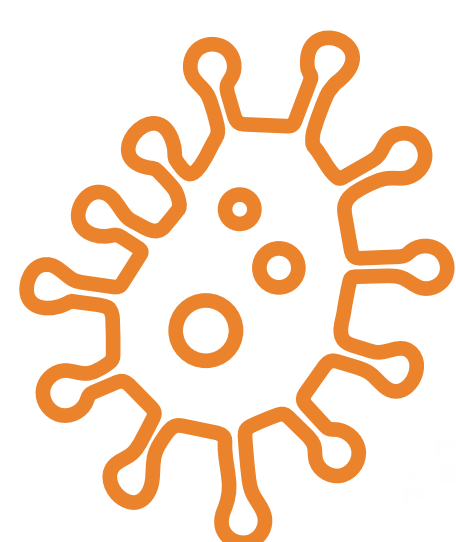


OUR WATERSHEDS OUR RESOURCES: SAN MATEO CREEK WATERSHED

The San Mateo Creek Watershed is only as healthy as we make it. By taking simple actions in our homes and communities we can all help the San Mateo Creek Watershed thrive!

COMMON POLLUTANTS



Bacteria

- Pet waste
- Sewage spills
- Sewer lateral leaks
- Septic system leaks

Find out how you can prevent these pollutants from entering our waterways:

[h2oc.org](https://www.h2oc.org)



WHAT IS A WATERSHED?

A watershed is the land area that channels rainfall to creeks, streams, rivers, and eventually to reservoirs, bays, and the ocean.

San Mateo Creek Watershed at a glance:

- 140 square miles (20 in OC)
- Begins in the Santa Ana Mountains
- Discharges to the Pacific Ocean at San Mateo Point.

Cities in the Watershed:

- San Clemente

Also includes:

- Orange County Flood Control District
- Unincorporated Orange County