

Here are ways YOU can Help Prevent Polluted Stormwater Runoff



Check car for leaks and recycle used motor oil. Never pour it on the ground or into a storm drain.

Minimize the use of pesticides and herbicides.

Compost yard waste like leaves, weeds, and grass clippings. Don't rake them to the curb or dump them in ditches or waterways.

Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces onto the lawn or into a rain garden.

Plant grass or plants on the bare spots in your yard.

Follow directions on fertilizer labels and sweep off driveways, sidewalks, and roads so that the chemicals won't get washed into storm drains.

Pick up after your pet. Don't let pet waste wash into storm drains.

Use a rain barrel to conserve water from your roof to water plants and wash your car.

NEVER pour any kind of waste into storm drains.

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