Nonpoint Source Pollution

Through the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Nonpoint Source Pollution Control Program the Natural Resources Department is able to explore and assess nonpoint source water pollution concerns. Nonpoint source pollution is a type of pollution whose source cannot be easily identified or traced back to one cause. These pollutants tend to be picked up and carried by runoff and precipitation eventually making its way to waterways like lakes, rivers, and streams. Examples of nonpoint source pollution includes oil and grease runoff from vehicles on roads, bacteria and nutrients from livestock or pet waste, and atmospheric deposition (particles settling out of the air). For more information of nonpoint source pollution please visit the EPA's website.