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STORM WATER ISSUES

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Storm Water Pollution Solutions for Harrisburg Homeowners





Stormwater Runoff Problems

Stormwater runoff occurs when rain or snowmelt flows over the ground. Impervious surfaces like driveways, sidewalks, and streets prevent stormwater from naturally soaking into the ground.

Stormwater can pick up debris, chemicals, dirt, and other pollutants and flow into storm sewer systems which flow into lakes, streams, rivers, wetlands, and other water bodies. Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged untreated into water bodies we use for swimming, fishing, and drinking supply.

Stormwater runoff can have many adverse effects on creeks, rivers, lakes and water supplies as well as plants, fish, animals, and people.

Solutions to Pollution

Many routine activities conducted at our home can have significant negative impacts on our creeks, rivers, lakes, and water supply through simple measures at home, you can help protect our natural resources

LAWN CARE :

Excess fertilizers and pesticides applied to lawns and gardens wash off and pollute streams, use sparingly.

Yard clippings and leaves can wash into storm drains and contribute nutrients and organic matter to streams , DON'T put your leaves into the street.

Don't over water your lawn or landscaping.

Use commercial car washes that treat or recycle their wastewater.

Have routine maintenance performed on your automobile to prevent leaks.

Properly dispose of automotive fluids.

PET WASTE

Pet waste can be a major source of bacteria and excess nutrients in local waters.

Leaving pet waste on the ground increases health risks by allowing harmful bacteria and nutrients to wash into the storm drain and eventually into local waterbodies. **PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET**

Solutions to Pollution

HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE

Many commonly used household products can be hazardous to our environment, as well as people or their pets, if they are improperly disposed of.

Always use and store the product according to the manufacture's instructions.

Keep chemicals in the original container and properly labeled.

Buy only what you intend to use.

Take old or excessive product to your Annual Harrisburg Household Hazardous Waste Cleanup



Help Protect Our Willamette River