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For more information, visit:
ccstormwater.org



**STORM DRAINS
CONNECT TO OUR
RIVERS, STREAMS,
AND LAKES!**

**HELP PROTECT THE
ENVIRONMENT SO IT'S
safe + enjoyable
FOR EVERYONE!**

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You **ARE THE
SOLUTION
TO WATER POLLUTION**



**WATER POLLUTION
PREVENTION**

WATER POLLUTION OCCURS WHEN RAIN OR SNOWMELT FLOWS OVER THE GROUND AND PICKS UP CONTAMINANTS

- Storm drains transfer untreated water to creeks, rivers, and lakes.
- Common urban stormwater contaminants include oil, dirt, litter, soil, road salt, and household/yard chemicals.
- Contaminants enter water bodies that we use for swimming, fishing, and drinking.

Together.

WE CAN MAKE A POSITIVE CHANGE!

EASY STEPS TO HELP PREVENT STORMWATER POLLUTION

PROPERLY DISPOSE OF TRASH & CIGARETTE BUTTS

Prevent litter from clogging storm drains or flowing litter into our waterways where animals may ingest the material.

PICK UP AFTER YOUR PET

Reduce sources of pollution such as bacteria, nitrogen, and phosphorus entering our streams. Trash your pet's waste or flush it (but don't flush the plastic bags!).

CHECK YOUR VEHICLES FOR LEAKS & RECYCLE MOTOR OIL

Maintain vehicles to help them run efficiently and prevent chemical leaks and pollution. Many stores and retailers will recycle used oil.



USE HOUSEHOLD & YARD CHEMICALS APPROPRIATELY

Use fertilizer, pesticide, and deicing salt chemicals according to the label and reduce usage where appropriate. Dispose of products according to the label to decrease stormwater phosphorus and nitrogen pollution.

DIRECT DOWNSPROUTS ONTO GRASS, ROCK, OR GARDENS

Allow water to soak into the ground naturally to reduce downstream flooding.

RECYCLE & STORE MATERIALS UNDER COVER

Storing materials properly and recycling can decrease metal pollution in our waterways. Champaign County offers free electronic recycling events and some charities that accept working electronics.

USE COMMERCIAL CAR WASHES

Reduce soap and chemicals flowing down streets and into storm drains to decrease phosphorus and protect wildlife.

