

Remember, it ALL drains to our lakes and rivers



Help keep pollution out of storm drains

Only rain in the drain!

That's because storm drains and roadside ditches lead directly to our lakes and rivers. So, any oil, pet waste, leaves, trash, or dirty water from washing your car that enters a storm drain gets into our lakes and rivers. With almost 5 million people living in Southeast Michigan, we all need to be aware of what goes into our storm drains.

What can you do? Simple. These tips will help prevent pollutants from entering our lakes and rivers

- Sweep fertilizer off of driveways and sidewalks, back onto your lawn.
- Keep leaves, grass clippings, trash, and fertilizers out of storm drains.
- Do not dump motor oil, chemicals, pet waste, dirty or soapy water, or anything else down the storm drain.
- Volunteer to label the storm drains in your neighborhood to inform your neighbors that storm drains flow directly to our lakes and rivers.

Keep our water clean!

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