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Stormwater Hotline  
(618) 296-7788

**Please Help!**

40% of US water bodies are polluted. Stormwater runoff is the primary cause.

It's up to you to make a difference to keep gutters, storm drains and waterways clean.



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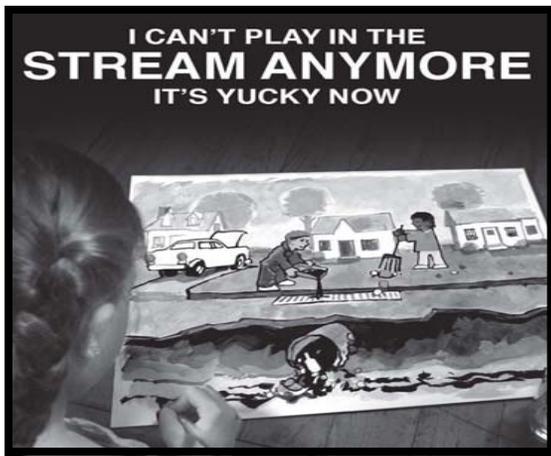
**MADISON**  
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**RESIDENT**  
**STORMWATER**  
**GUIDE**

**Seven Simple Steps to Clean Water**



- 1 Help keep pollution out of storm drains
- 2 Fertilize sparingly and carefully
- 3 Carefully store and dispose of household cleaners, chemicals, and oil
- 4 Clean up after your pet
- 5 Practice good car care
- 6 Choose earth-friendly landscaping
- 7 Save water

**Our Water. Our Future. Ours to Protect.**



**Carefully store and dispose of household cleaners, chemicals, and oil.**

**Did you know that many household products are dangerous to our kids, pets, and the environment?**

These materials pollute our waterways if washed or dumped into storm drains or roadside ditches that lead directly to our lakes and rivers. Household cleaners, pesticides, gasoline, antifreeze, used motor oil, and other hazardous products need to be labeled, stored, and disposed of properly.

**So what can you do? Simple.**

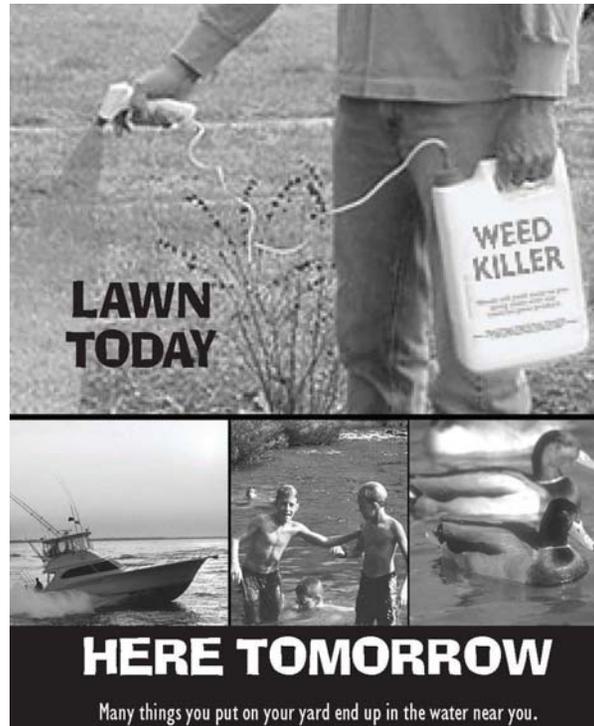
- Be aware of household products that can harm children, pets and the environment. Pay attention to words such as "warning" or "caution" on product labels.
- Reduce waste and save money by purchasing only the materials you need.
- Keep unused products in their original containers with labels.
- Never dump hazardous products down storm drains, roadside ditches, sinks, or on the ground—take them to your local community's hazardous waste collection day.

**Help keep our homes and the environment safe.**

[www.inyourwater.org](http://www.inyourwater.org)



**If it's on the ground it's in your water**



## Stormwater Tips

- ⇒ Don't dispose of oil and other chemicals onto driveways, streets or storm drains. Use a recycling center.
- ⇒ Wash your car at commercial car washes that recycle their waste water.
- ⇒ Dispose of all chemicals according to the containers.
- ⇒ Sweep driveways instead of hosing.
- ⇒ Do not overwater lawns and gardens.
- ⇒ Reduce the amount of fertilizers and pesticides you apply on your lawn and landscaping.
- ⇒ Place trash in closed containers and pick up litter from others.
- ⇒ Have your car tuned up and make sure it's not leaking fluids.
- ⇒ Pick up after your pet when you walk them.

