

BE THE SOLUTION TO STORMWATER POLLUTION



Dear Residents,

Please help keep our water free of trash, pet waste, pollutants, and yard waste.

As a friendly reminder, visit our town website to review our municipal stormwater ordinances and learn about the environmental benefits each ordinance has on the quality of our water.

Some of the requirements of the ordinances can directly improve the quality of our lakes, rivers, and water.

We would like to thank you for assisting our town and keeping our local waterways clean for everyone's enjoyment.

Sincerely,
Mayor John M. Kramer

STORMWATER ORDINANCES

PET WASTE

Properly dispose of your pet's waste, to avoid pet waste from entering local waterways.

WILDLIFE FEEDING

Don't feed the local wildlife. Feeding wildlife increases wildlife populations and increases disease transmission.

LITTER CONTROL

Don't be a litterbug. Throw trash in wastebaskets and prevent it from entering storm drain inlets.

IMPROPER DISPOSAL OF WASTE

Properly dispose of your materials and avoid dumping materials into a storm drain or outside.

YARD WASTE

Keep yard waste 10 feet away from storm drains or in containers, and follow our town's collection schedule.

PRIVATE INLET RETROFITTING

Keep trash from entering private storm drain inlets. A net or screen is a great option to close off inlets.

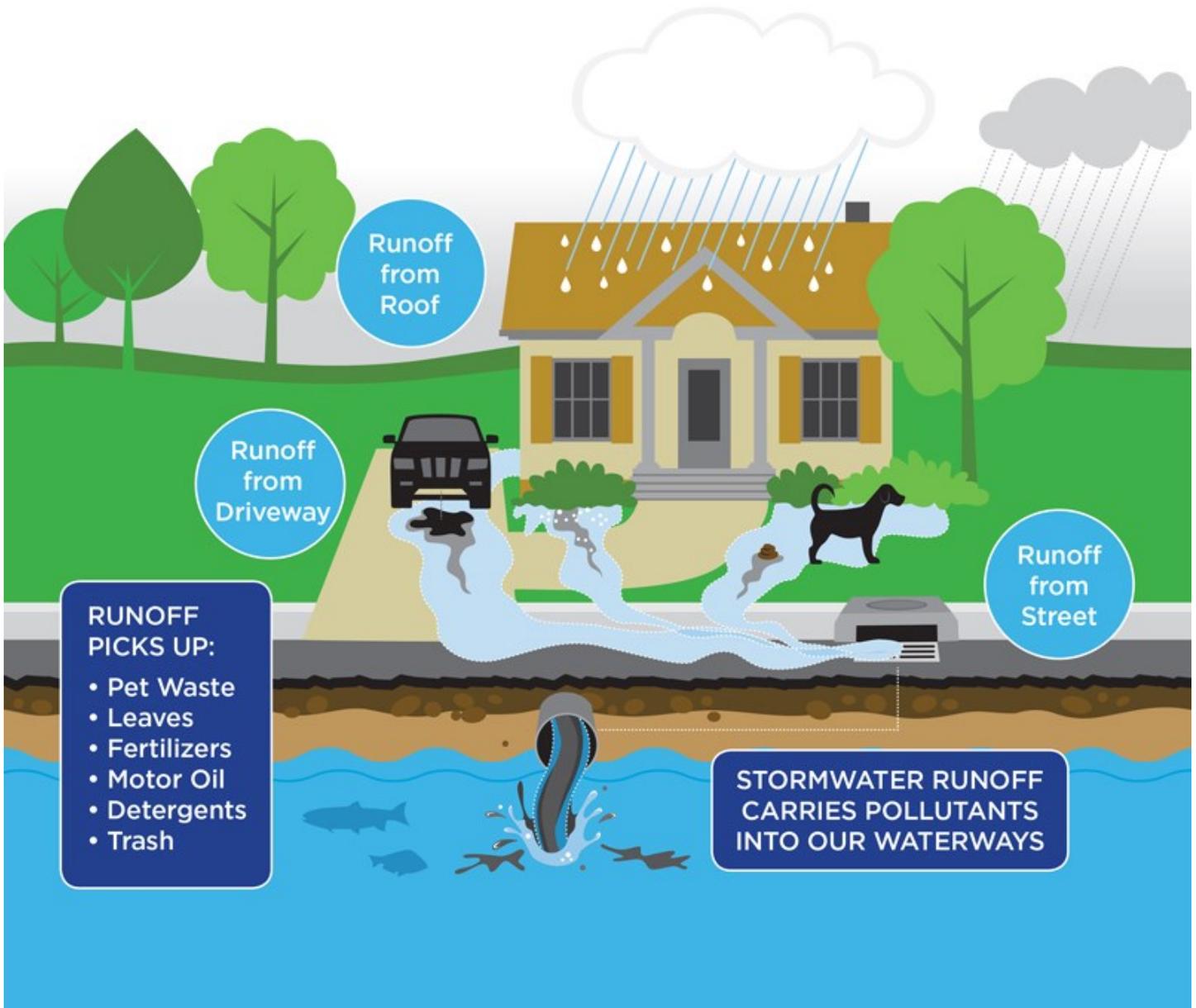
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Only stormwater in the storm drains! Please contact the town if you have a sanitary line (outdoor showers, mud room sinks, etc.) that needs to be connected to the sewer.

WHAT IS STORMWATER RUNOFF

Stormwater runoff is rain water or snowmelt that doesn't soak into the ground. Instead, it flows across the land surface, absorbing pollutants along the way before entering lakes and streams. As it travels across impervious surfaces, stormwater carries trash and pollutants such as sediment, nutrients, pesticides, oil, and gasoline to local lakes, streams, rivers, and wetlands. This untreated waste makes water unsafe for drinking and water-based recreation. People and animals may become sick from drinking the water or from eating the fish from contaminated lakes and streams. Stormwater runoff also contributes to flooding and can lead to expensive repairs for municipalities and homeowners.





COMMON SOURCES OF POLLUTION

CAR WASHING

Rain washes all of our soaps, detergents and waxes directly into storm drains, which flows directly into our streams, lakes, rivers and the ocean.

LEAKING MOTOR OIL

Rain washes all of our spilled and leaking motor oil directly into storm drains, which flows directly into our streams, lakes, rivers and the ocean.

PET WASTE

Rain washes pet waste directly into storm drains, which flows directly into our streams, lakes, rivers and the ocean.

STORMWATER REGULATIONS REQUIRED BY NJDEP

The New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection regulates every single municipality in New Jersey under the Municipal Stormwater Regulation Program.

To fulfill a portion of the public education requirements, we would like to provide you with some information regarding a few of our municipal ordinances that have been adopted to help protect the quality of water in our local waterways.

It is important for all of our residents and businesses take pride in our community, and ensure our waters continue to be a safe and enjoyable place to visit.