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### Pet waste



Clean up after your pet. Pet waste can wash into storm drains carrying diseases and harmful bacteria.



### Cleaning Products

Never dispose of left over cleaning products into a storm drain.



### Swimming Pool

Pool water contains chlorine which is dangerous to many species. Discharging chlorinated swimming pool water into storm drains is not only dangerous, it is illegal.



### Keep Gutters Clean

Periodic sweeping of gutters will help minimize the pollution which enters the storm drains.

## We all must do our part to prevent storm drain pollution

Always Be Sure to Report:

- Dry weather storm drain discharge
- Malfunctioning septic system
- Silt & Sediment runoff from poorly controlled construction sites
- Leaking vehicles
- Dumping of Chemicals

**Environmental Hotline**  
**(602) 506-6616**

**Illegal Dumping Hotline**  
**(623) 773-7226**

**Recycling Hotline**  
**(623) 773-7441**

For more information on preventing storm water pollution visit:  
<http://www.PeoriaAz.gov/engineering>

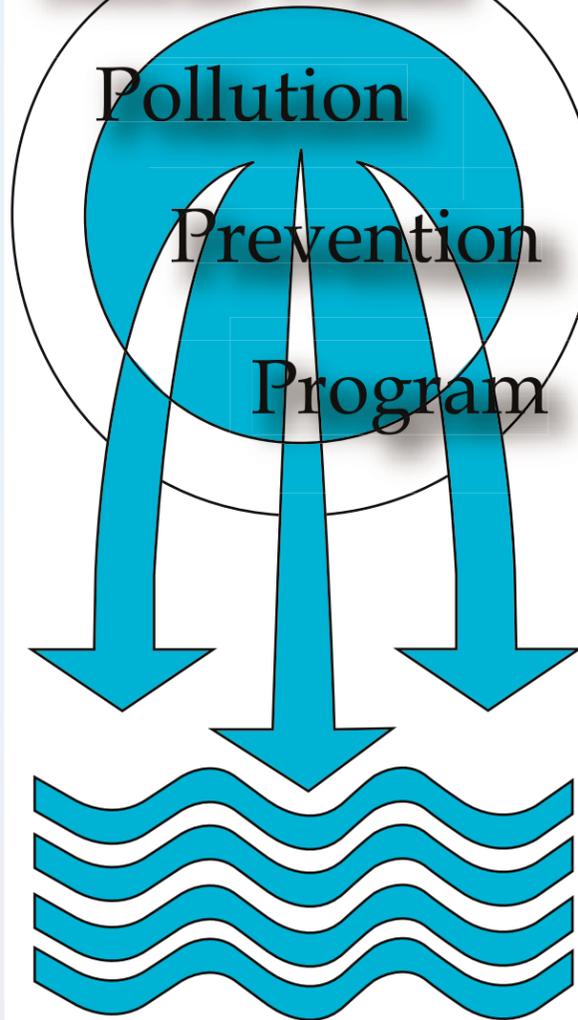
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## Storm Water

Pollution

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## Storm Water Pollution

Of the nearly 40 percent of US water bodies which do not meet water quality standards, polluted storm water is the leading cause of deterioration.\*

Unlike the sewer system, which transfers water to wastewater treatment plants, when storm runoff flows into the storm drains, it runs untreated into the rivers and creeks. Polluted storm water causes all types of environmental damage.

We all must do our part to prevent storm water pollution. Inside are some tips for reducing storm water pollution, and protecting our health and the environment.

\*National Water Quality Inventory (1996)

## Automotive

### Recycle oil

Never dump used motor oil into a storm drain. Call (623) 773-7441 for information on recycling locations.

- One gallon of used oil can contaminate a million gallons of fresh water - a years supply for 50 people
- Just one quart of oil is enough to create a two-acre oil slick

### Washing Cars

Washing cars can cause many chemicals and pollutants to be washed from the car into the storm drains. This can be minimized by: Washing cars at a commercial car wash, where the water is recycled or washing cars where the water will run to gravel or grass areas, not into a storm drain. Always use biodegradable soap when washing cars.



## Business

### Cleaning Tools

Always rinse tools and equipment over a landscaped or gravel area, which is not in the vicinity of a storm drain.

### Storm Drains

Clean storm drain inlets out with a shovel once a year.

### Parking Lots

Keep parking lots and walkways swept clean.

### Employee Training

Train employees on proper methods of handling and disposing of chemicals.

