Your Home
The solution to stormwater pollution
A homeowner’s guide to healthy habits for clean water

Everyone plays a role in polluting stormwater...
Everyone has a role in cleaning it up!

This publication is provided to Rosenberg residents in order to provide information about stormwater pollution prevention.

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Visit www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater or www.epa.gov/nps for more information on stormwater pollution.

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REPORTING HOTLINE: (832) 595-3301
Vehicle and Garage
Wash your car on unpaved surfaces to minimize dirty water flowing into the storm drain. Check for leaks and clean spilled fluids with an absorbent material such as cat litter or sand. Recycle used oil and other automotive fluids at participating service stations.

Lawn and Garden
Use pesticides/fertilizers sparingly and only as directed. Avoid using chemicals in rain and always select native plants/grasses that are drought and pest-resistant. Sweep yard debris rather than using a hose, composting and recycling whenever possible.

Home Improvement
Be aware of storm drains when beginning home projects. Sweep up and properly dispose of construction debris. Hazardous materials should be disposed of according to the labels. Properly store chemicals and use biodegradable/recyclable products.

Swimming Pools
Drain swimming pools only when necessary and when chlorine levels are no longer detectable. Drain your pool or spa into the sanitary sewer system. Properly store pool and spa chemicals to prevent leaks and spills. Chemicals should be kept in a covered area.

Septic System
A professional should inspect/pump your septic system at least every three years. Do not drive or park on septic field and only plant grass. Flushing household chemicals like paint, pesticide, or anti-freeze destroys the biological treatment taking place.

Home Solutions for Stormwater Pollution. Adopt healthy household habits for clean water and environmental protection

As stormwater flows over driveways, lawns, and sidewalks, it picks up debris, chemicals, and other pollutants. Stormwater can flow into sewer systems or directly to local bodies of water.

Polluted runoff is the Nation’s greatest threat to clean water. Anything that enters a storm sewer system is discharged, untreated, into bodies of water used for drinking and recreation.

Engage in proper pet care
Pick up after pets to avoid bacteria from drainage into local water supplies.

Remember...
Only rain down the drain
Storm drains connect to local bodies of water. Healthy household habits ensure clean water.