

## Have you seen this fish?

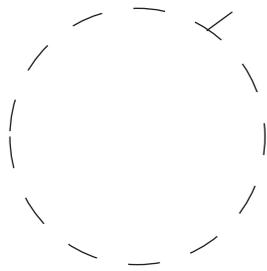


**Y**ou may see a message like this on a storm drain near you. This is an important reminder that waste that is dumped down storm drains goes directly to our rivers, lakes, and ditches, and can threaten our drinking water!

**M**any people mistakenly believe that chemicals, oil, paint, and garbage that enter the storm drain system are “cleaned up” at the city’s wastewater treatment plants...

***...THEY AREN'T***

**Protecting our water quality is  
everyone’s job!**



## Keep it clean:



-  Compost yard waste and trimmings. Mow and mulch your lawn.
-  Wash latex paint brushes in the sink.
-  Repair car fluid leaks. Recycle used motor oil.
-  Extra chemicals, paints, solvents, and garden care products should go to the hazardous materials collection sites.
-  Apply environmentally-friendly lawn chemicals carefully and sparingly.
-  Landscape to conserve water and reduce runoff. Use efficient irrigation systems and select water-conserving plants.
-  Toss pet wastes in the garbage.
-  Always sweep parking lots, walks, and driveways instead of washing them off. Discard debris and yard waste in the garden or trash.
-  Eliminate excess car trips. Ride your bike, take a bus, carpool, or walk.
-  Reduce! Reuse! Recycle!

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