

WHEN IT RAINS, CLERMONT DRAINS

10 EASY THINGS YOU CAN DO TO STOP POLLUTION OF OUR RIVERS, LAKES & CREEKS

1.



Recycle your used motor oil and other auto fluids at the Clermont County Garage on Filager Rd. or go to County's interactive recycling web site at www.oeq.net/recycle.aspx to find a site near you. The county garage will also take your used antifreeze. **Never dump oil or antifreeze down the storm drain which flows into the creeks or rivers.**

6.



Install rain gardens and rain barrels; reduce impervious surfaces around your home or business. **This will reduce the amount of flooding, erosion and pollution to our rivers, lakes and creeks. Contact Clermont Soil & Water District for assistance (732-7075).**

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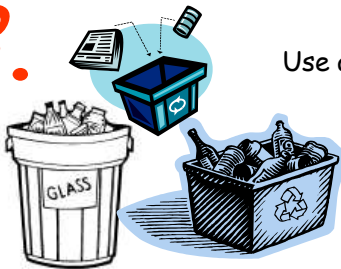
Fix oil, radiator and transmission leaks in your car. **Don't let your car leave ugly oil slicks behind.** Go to a car wash or wash your car in the grass. **Don't wash that grimy road dirt and chemical cleaners down the drive and into the storm drain.**

7.



Use pesticides and other lawn chemicals sparingly. Never double the dose! **Follow the directions and do not apply if rain is forecasted.**

3.



Use a garbage can for your trash. Recycle reusable materials. **Don't put trash and litter in the street; it may be washed to the river. Reduce, Recycle, Reuse!** www.oeq.net/recycle.aspx

8.



Participate in stream and community cleanup events; volunteer to install markers on storm drains to alert citizens **not to dump trash or hazardous materials down storm drains! Contact Clermont SWCD (732-7075) for help.**

4.



Sweep the dirt from your walk or driveway back into the yard with your broom. Pick up pet waste and dispose of it in the toilet or trash. **Hosing dirt and pet waste away can send it into the drainage system and directly to the creeks & rivers.**

9.



Pick up and properly dispose of leaves and grass clippings. Start a compost pile with yard waste. **Never use streams, ditches or street gutters to dispose of yard waste.**

5.



Dispose of hazardous home chemicals including oil based paint products at household hazardous waste collection sites. For a listing of sites & info. call the **Office of Environmental Quality (513) 732-7894.** **Don't pour hazardous materials down the storm drain. Use the least toxic products available in the home/garden.**

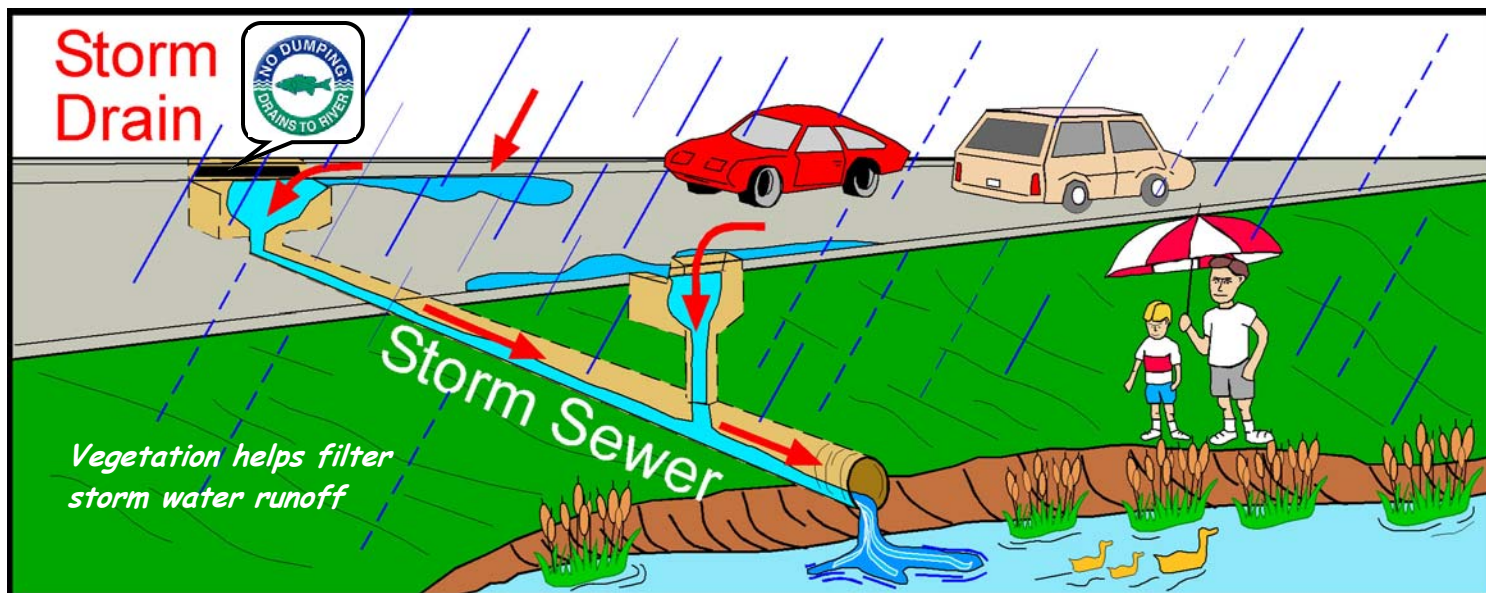
10.



Maintain your septic system. Have it pumped out routinely to remove sludge and scum. Do not use tank additives, and practice water conservation to prevent overworking your system. **Repair or replace malfunctioning septic systems. Do not flush drugs or pharmaceuticals down any storm, sink or toilet drain.**

EDUCATE YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS. SPREAD THE WORD.
WATER POLLUTION IS EVERYONE'S PROBLEM; WATER QUALITY IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY!

Runoff from your driveway and the street flows straight to the creeks and rivers; there are no treatment plants, filters or anything else to stop pollutants!



Partners in Storm Water Management: Local Contacts for Additional Information

	<u>Telephone:</u>
Office of Environmental Quality.....	732-7894
Clermont Soil & Water Cons. Dist....	732-7075
Clermont Co. Building Dept.....	732-7213
Clermont County Commissioners.....	732-7300
Clermont County Engineer.....	732-8857
Clermont General Health District....	732-7499
Clermont Co. Storm Water Dept.....	732-7880
Amelia, Village of.....	753-4747
Batavia Township.....	732-3888
Batavia, Village of.....	732-2020
Goshen Township.....	722-3400
Loveland, City of.....	683-0150
Miami Township.....	248-3728
Milford, City of.....	831-4192
Monroe Township.....	734-6462
Ohio Township.....	553-6747
Owensville, Village of.....	732-5350
Pierce Township.....	752-6262
Stonelick Township.....	732-3299
Tate Township.....	734-2384
Union Township.....	753-2221

Website:

<http://www.oeq.net>
<http://clermontswcd.org>
<http://building.clermontcountyohio.gov>
<http://www.co.clermont.oh.us>
<http://www.clermontengineer.org>
<http://www.clermonthhealthdistrict.org>
<http://www.clermontstorm.net>
<http://www.ameliavillage.com>
<http://bataviatownship.org>

<http://www.goshen-ohio.gov>
<http://www.lovelandoh.com>
<http://miamitwpoh.gov>
<http://milfordohio.org>
<http://www.monroetwp.org>
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To Report a Spill or Illegal Dumping: 1-800-282-9378 (EPA Hotline) or 911

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