

Did you know...

Stormwater runoff is one of the leading causes of water pollution in the United States. Stormwater will pick up dirt, trash, oil, grease, chemicals, and many other pollutants as it flows over roads and lawns.

In Yuba City, stormwater runoff does NOT go to the wastewater treatment plant before entering the Sutter Bypass and the Feather River. Most stormwater is transported by drains, streets, gutters, curbs, and open channels directly into the Sutter Bypass or the Feather River. This water is used downstream for agriculture, recreation and drinking water.



Common Stormwater Pollutants:

- Chlorinated Pool Water
- Pet Waste
- Sediment
- Fertilizers
- Pesticides and Herbicides
- Yard Waste
- Soaps and Detergents



Keeping stormwater clean and protecting our surface water is a job for all of us.



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City of Yuba City's Stormwater Program

STORM DRAINS:

Do you know where the water and debris from the streets goes?

(We bet you will be surprised...)

It flows untreated into the Feather River.

Please keep our communities clean. Follow these tips to prevent debris and pollutants from entering our storm drains:

1 Sweep

sediment, excess fertilizers, pesticides, and yard debris into piles and dispose of it properly, rather than hosing or blowing it onto the street. For yard waste, either compost or place in your green Recology waste bin properly for pick up. Use only dry clean-up methods. Never wash anything down the storm drain.



2 Pool water



can become a stormwater pollutant when it contains chlorine

and other pool chemicals or it is green with algae. Check with Public Works at (530) 822-3264 for the proper method of disposing of your pool water before discharging.

3

Wash vehicles at the **carwash** or on your lawn, not on the driveway or street. Car washes have oil/water separators that help to recycle wash water.



4

Dispose household **hazardous wastes** at the Yuba-Sutter Household Hazardous Waste Facility every Saturday from 8 am- 4 pm.



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Be sure to pick up after your pets. Pet waste can contain bacteria and can be a source of stormwater pollution.



6

Prevent trash from entering the storm drain by keeping trash cans **closed** and secure.



7

Use pesticides and herbicides according to the instructions. Use less toxic alternative products. Look for the OWOW Logo in local stores.



More is not always better.

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Keep your vehicle **leak free.** Recycle automotive fluids at a neighborhood auto parts store.



For more information on yard materials, automotive fluids and hazardous waste disposal, visit www.yubasutterrecycles.com

For information on stormwater, please visit www.yubacity.net/stormwater

REPORT ILLEGAL DUMPING INTO STORM DRAINS AT (530) 822-4626. REMEMBER: ONLY RAIN IN THE STORM DRAIN.