

Where Stormwater Goes

How Much Do You Know?



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Where Does Stormwater go in your town?

A River?

A Bay?

A Lake?



Can you name some life on the New River?

A Plant?

An Animal?

Marine Life?

What do you do when you and your family visit a river?

Boating?

Swimming?

Fishing?



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Should You?

Throw garbage in a storm drain?

Throw garbage out the car window?

Where should garbage go?

What You and your family Can Do!

1. Pick up your pets poop! Use a plastic bag from home or a pet station in the park!
2. Bag leaves and grass from your yard! Put bags out at the curb for pick up.
3. Avoid using chemicals outside and dispose of them properly!
4. Wash your car on the lawn & dispose of oil and other liquids in the trash!
5. Tie trash bags and close all garbage can lids so wind does not blow it out!
6. Visit the river, bay or lake near you to see what lives there!

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What goes down the storm drain ends up in the New River!

2

Your pet's poop can pollute the New River with bacteria called coliform.

4

Leaves and grass from your yard can clog stormdrains that cause flooding and clutter on the New River.

6

Polluted water harms life along the river like marsh grasses, turtles and fish.



1

When it rains storm water runs off of your roof and into the storm drain, picking up pollutants along the way.

3

Soap & Chemicals from washing your car can harm life on the New River.

5

What goes down the storm drain may end up in your drinking water too!

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Take the Stormwater Quiz!



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- 1 What can stormwater pick up on the way to the storm drain?
- grass & leaves
 - pet poop
 - garbage
 - soap & chemicals
 - all of the above

- 2 It is ok to leave a pet's poop on the ground.

True / False

- 3 You should wash your car on
- the driveway
 - the street
 - the lawn

- 4 What goes down the storm drain ends up
- in the street
 - in the river
 - in your neighbors yard

- 5 What goes down the storm drain can harm fish and plants

True / False

- 6 Leaves and grass from your yard cannot clog a storm drain

True / False

Answers - (leaves and grass can clog storm drains and cause flooding and clutter) 1-e. all of the above (stormwater washes things down the storm drain going to the river) 2- False (leaving a pet's poop on the ground leaves a bacteria called coliform) 3-c. the lawn (this keeps the soap from running into the storm drain and does not harm your lawn) 4-b. in the river (keeping storm drains clear help prevent pollution in the river) 5- True (harmful runoff can pollute the water and harm life along the river)

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Color it!

