### Storm Water Pollution Prevention: It's Up To Us!



In Weber County, storm water flows through storm drains directly to local creeks and rivers with **NO TREATMENT**.

Water quality can be affected by a number of natural elements as well as chemical elements introduced by humans.

## What kind of contaminants might reach our rivers and streams?

Contaminants resulting from unwise landscaping practices such as over applying or over watering might include: dirt, leaves, grass clippings, fertilizers, herbicides, and pesticides.
Chemicals from household products from washing your car, painting, or household cleaners.
Toxins such as oil or antifreeze that may leak from your car.

Local recreation areas are affected by storm water contamination and can result in harmful situations for humans and wildlife

These areas include the Weber River, Ogden River (including North, Middle & South Fork), Pineview Reservoir among others.

## What Can You Do? General Practices

Never use the gutter or storm drain system for disposal of household waste. Liquid residue from paints, thinners, solvents, glues, and cleaning fluids are hazardous wastes.



- When thoroughly dryused kitty litter, empty water base paint cans, spent brushes, rags, and drop cloths may be disposed of in the trash.
- Rinse containers and dispose them in the trash.
- Properly use and store all toxic products including cleaners, solvents, and paints.
- Use kitty litter or other absorbent material to clean up spills from paved surfaces.
- ▲ DO NOT WASH INTO THE STREET!

  Depending on the substance, dispose of absorbents in trash or at the household hazardous waste facility.

#### FREE!

Household Hazardous Waste Facility - Weber County Solid Waste Facility

867 West Wilson Lane 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. 3rd Saturday April-September

Call 399-8803 for more information

## Paint Solvents and Adhesives

- ▲ Select water based or latex paints whenever possible.
- ♦ Sweep up dust and paint chips from sanding or stripping. Dispose of in trash- UNLESS the activity involved marine paints or paints containing leads. These should be disposed of as hazardous waste.
- ♦ When high-pressure water stripping or cleaning building exteriors, block storm drains. Wash water onto dirt area and spade in soil if no chemicals were used. Contact the City or County Health Department for more specific guidelines, especially if chemicals are used.



- ◆ For water based paint, paint out brushes to the extent possible and rinse in sink.
- For oil based paint, paint out the brushes to the extent possible, filter and reuse thinners and solvents. Disposed of excess liquids and residue as hazardous waste.



A Couple Good Ideas: Give unused products to a neighbor or community group and try to buy only what you need.

For additional information on Storm Water Protection refer to the following brochures:

**Erosion Control** 

Fresh Concrete and Mortar Application

Household and Vehicle Maintenance

**Impervious Surfaces** 

Landscaping, Gardening, and Yard Maintenance

Paint and Household Hazardous Waste

Pet Waste Water Quality

Utah and its Water, Why Conserve

Water Conservation Inside the Home

Water Conservation Outside the Home

Xeriscaping



For more information about the Weber County Storm water quality management program and additional pamphlets, contact:

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### **Spill Response**

Dial 911
-orState Of Utah
Environmental Response
(801) 536-4123

Utah Division of Water Quality (801) 538-6146

Local Pollution Control
Agencies:
Environmental Health Division of the
Weber/Morgan Health Department
(801) 591-7168



1-800-458-0145

Used Oil Recyclers (for DIYers in Weber County)

Weber County Transfer Station
Auto Zone Stores
Checker Auto Parts Stores
NAPA Auto Parts Stores
Pep Boys Stores
Little Tire & Lube
Jiffy Lube

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# PAINT AND HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE



#### RECOMMENDED METHODS FOR STORM WATER PROTECTION

