



Yakima Regional Stormwater Working Group (RSWG)

OUTREACH NEWSLETTER

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Do Your Part to End Stormwater Pollution this Summer

Summer is in full swing and now is the time to do your part to prevent stormwater pollution before the Fall rains. Brush up on your pollution prevention skills by following these everyday tips:

- 1) If you have a dog, remember to “scoop the poop” when you are out for a walk. Pet waste is a large source of stormwater pollution when it comes in contact with rainfall or irrigation water. Bag that waste and dispose of it in the trash.
- 2) “Don’t Drip and Drive” Check under your car when it’s parked to see if you are leaking oil or other fluids. If so, take the time now to get those leaks fixed. Those small leaks build up on our roads over time and get washed into the storm drains, and the eventually the groundwater, when it rains.
- 3) Don’t drain your swimming pool or wash your pool filters into the street or into the storm drainage system. Drain this water to a vegetated area on your property where it can infiltrate once the chemicals have been neutralized. Remember “Only Rain Down the Storm Drain”.
- 4) Keep your grass clippings out of the street and gutter line by raking your yard after you mow and composting the clippings. Grass in the gutter and street collects in the storm drains and pollutes runoff and groundwater when it rains.



To find out more information about how you can help prevent stormwater pollution, visit the website at <http://www.yakimacounty.us/1732/Stormwater-Management> or scan the QR code on this page.

“Water is the driving force of all nature.”
~ Leonardo da Vinci



f **Upcoming Events**

August 8th
RSWG Meeting
(Union Gap, WA)

August 18 - 19th
Pioneer Power Show
(Union Gap, WA)

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Don't forget Labor Day is September 3rd!