

The CULPRITS



When it rains, water that is not absorbed into the ground, intercepted by vegetation, or evaporated flows into surface waters such as rivers, canals and coastal waters. This flow is called runoff. As the runoff flows over the roads and land, it picks up pollutants.



Roads are a source of pollution. Oils, grease, construction dirt, trash & cigarette butts wash off roads when it rains.



Excess fertilizers wash off lawns & gardens when it rains & flow into surface water.



Surface water can be polluted through groundwater.



Things put into stormdrains and on the street can end up in our rivers, canals, & coastal waters

