



# The Scoop on Poop

How does pet waste affect our water quality?



Leaving behind your pet's waste is a form of *Storm Water Pollution*. Be a responsible pet owner, scoop the poop!

When left behind, pet waste on sidewalks, streets, or yards can be carried by rainwater through the storm sewer system directly into our local water bodies without any treatment. Pet waste is a major contributor of bacteria and pollution to the detriment of our water quality.

## What can you do to limit your impact?

- Always pick up pet waste
- Carry disposable bags on your walk
- Throw away pet waste or remove from bag & flush it down the toilet
- Encourage others to pick up pet waste

## DOO THE RIGHT THING



REPORT ILLEGAL STORM WATER DUMPING!  
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