

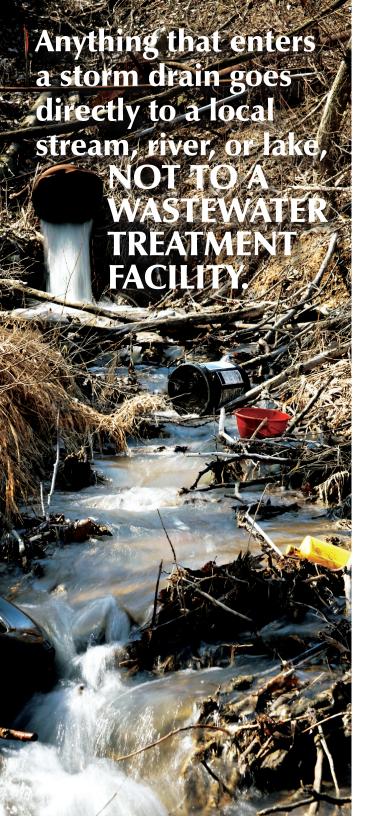
If you live near a storm drain, then you live on waterfront property.

It's not that far from your house to the river!

- The storm drain in your street is a direct link to Murfreesboro streams and rivers.
- Stormwater runoff is NOT treated or cleaned before it enters storm drains.
- Stormwater is one of the main reasons that pollution ends up in local streams.
- The water supplied to most households in Murfreesboro comes from the Stones River.
- Some common water pollutants in Murfreesboro streams include:
 - yard waste and litter
 - pet waste and bacteria
 - dirt and sediment
 - nutrients in soaps and fertilizers
 - automotive and household chemicals

YOU can help keep
Murfreesboro's water clean and
healthy with some simple steps . . .











LAWN/PAVEMENT

STORM DRAINS

STONES RIVER

Pollutants are washed off yards and pavement into storm drains, which flow directly into Murfreesboro's streams.

The storm drain in your street is a direct link to the nearest streams around Murfreesboro. These streams flow into the Stones River, which is the source of our drinking water. Listed below are Murfreesboro's major streams and their tributaries.

- East Fork Stones River
 Wades Branch, Bear Branch, Dry Branch, and
 Bushman Creek
- West Fork Stones River
 Panther Creek, Sinking Creek, and Spence Creek
- Middle Fork Stones River Long Creek
- Overall Creek
 Puckett Creek, Armstrong Branch, and Rucker Spring
- Lytle Creek
 Black Fox Spring, Murfree Spring, and Town Creek

Wildlife and citizens depend on clean, healthy water in our community.

Stormwater is a main reason that pollution ends up in our local streams.

Prevent pollution with these simple actions:

- ✓ Keep dirt, litter and yard debris out of the street and away from storm drains.
- ✓ Clean up pet waste in your yard and on walks.
- ✓ Sweep (not hose) dirt, fertilizers, grass clippings and cigarette butts from paved surfaces.
- ✓ Use fertilizers and pesticides sparingly (and not before anticipated rain.)
- ✓ Fix automotive leaks, and wash vehicles on the grass or at a car wash facility.
- ✓ Recycle automotive and household chemicals. (Never pour oil or chemicals on the ground or down a storm drain.)

Keeping Murfreesboro's water clean is a community-wide effort. Help protect our streams and water supply!



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