



\*One quart of oil can contaminate one million gallons of water

# “if it is on the ground...


The quality of our water depends on us. Be aware of what is on the ground around you. It is important to protect our water sources from being contaminated by leaks and other pollutants. Do your part in keeping our water safe.

- Here is what you can do to help:**
- Recycle used motor oil at a local collection center
  - Request re-refined motor oil when you get your oil changed.
  - Have your vehicles checked for any leaking fluids
  - Recycle and reuse oil filters, if you change your own oil get a reusable used oil container.
  - If you notice pollution or someone dumping, please contact our office.
  - Contact our office to volunteer. Markers are placed on the Storm Drains in your neighborhood to help inform others that the storm drains flow directly to our creeks and the Ohio River.

**Misconception!**  
Some think that storm water is treated before it is discharged into our natural water ways such as creeks, ponds, and rivers.  
**IT IS NOT TREATED!**

**Fact:** Storm water drains directly into the waterways without any treatment at all. The only water that is treated is sanitary wastewater or sewer water.

**So guess what?**  
Anything that is on the ground **will** affect the quality of our water. This is an ongoing problem that has been ignored for too long. Water is a natural resource that we must protect in every way possible.

 Periodic inspections will be conducted throughout the Oak Park Conservancy District to detect pollutants near the storm sewer system. If you notice pollutants or someone dumping, contact our office so that proper inspections can be conducted in those areas.

## It is in the water we drink”



Contact OPCD at 812-283-3960  
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**FIX IT!**

**Resources:  
Related Links**

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[www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater](http://www.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater)

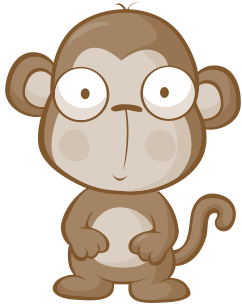
[www.recycleclarkcounty.org](http://www.recycleclarkcounty.org)

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**Storm Water  
Run-Off:  
Garage and  
Automobile leaks**

**Got a leak...**

*...To protect  
the water you  
Drink?*



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