

# Nonpoint Source Pollution-

is caused by rainfall moving over and through the ground. As the runoff moves, it picks up and carries away natural and human-made pollutants, finally depositing them into lakes, rivers, wetlands, coastal waters and ground waters.

## WHAT CAN I DO?

*Talk to my friends and neighbors about nonpoint source pollution.*

*Do not throw litter on the ground.*

*Do not over use lawn fertilizer or pesticides.*

Dispose of USED MOTOR OIL and ANTIFREEZE PROPERLY NOT IN STORM DRAINS OR BY POURING it on the ground. RECYCLE motor oil and ANTIFREEZE at the LOCKHART RECYCLING CENTER.



*CLEAN UP SPILLED BRAKE FLUID, OIL, GREASE, AND ANTIFREEZE. DO NOT HOSE THEM INTO THE STREET.*

*Plant grass and other plants to reduce erosion.*

*Do NOT pour used cooking fats, oils or grease (FOG) on the ground-recycle it at the Lockhart Recycling Center*

*Maintain vehicles, fix leaks.*

*Pick up pet waste from yard.*

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Today, nonpoint source pollution is the nation's largest source of water quality problems. Sometimes referred to as polluted runoff, nonpoint source pollution occurs when rainfall, snowmelt, or irrigation runs over land or through the ground, picks up pollutants, and deposits them into surface waters or introduces them into ground water.

For more information on Nonpoint Source Pollution and fun educational activities, please visit:

<http://www.lockhart-tx.org/web98/citydepartments/publicworks.asp>

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What Can I Do? The list is endless. You could start right at home with your friends and family. Sit down together and make a plan of all the ways YOU can reduce nonpoint source pollution. The list can be your household goals for improving water quality for you, your friends and family, and generations to come!

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