Where Does the Rain Go?

RUNOFF FROM ROOF

LAWN RUNOFF

GUTTER RUNOFF

STREET RUNOFF

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RUNOFF FROM RAIN (AND OTHER SOURCES) FLOWS TO LOCAL CREEKS AND BAYS -- EITHER DIRECTLY OR THROUGH STORM DRAINS

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Take Action
to Protect
Local Creeks!

Pollutants (e.g. trash, oil, pet waste, pesticides) can enter a storm drain as they wash off streets, driveways and parking lots.

- Never dump anything down storm drains
- Avoid pesticides if possible - use the least toxic alternative available
- Sweep driveways, sidewalks and gutters - dispose of debris in the trash
- Keep your creekbank free of trash and yard clippings
- Contact MCSTOPPP and your local sanitary district before draining your pool or spa
- Vegetate bare spots with native plants to prevent weeds from growing
- Direct downspouts to landscaped areas, allowing rainwater to soak into the soil
- Take your car to the car wash instead of washing it in the driveway
- Check vehicles for leaks and recycle used motor oil and filters
- Pick up after your pet
- Check your sewer laterals for leaks - call your local sanitary district for information

For more information, go to www.mcstoppp.org or call 415-499-6528