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# EIGHT COMMON SOURCES OF WATER POLLUTION

1. Oil and other chemicals dripping from vehicles
2. Hosing off driveways and washing cars outside
3. Dog waste
4. Paint, oil, and other harmful chemicals disposed of down the storm drain
5. Litter
6. Sweeping leaf litter and lawn debris into the street
7. Grass clippings entering storm drains
8. Overuse of fertilizer and other lawn chemicals

# EIGHT SOLUTIONS TO PREVENT WATER POLLUTION

1. Be sure to keep vehicles in good working order so they don't drip harmful chemicals onto roadways.
2. Use a broom and dustpan to remove debris from your driveway and dispose of it in a trash bin. Wash your car in a commercial car wash or on the lawn where soap can be absorbed into the grass.
3. Dispose of pet waste in trash receptacles.
4. Douglas and Sarpy county residents can properly dispose of household hazardous waste at UnderTheSink.
5. Pick up litter when you see it and tie trash bags closed to reduce escaped trash.
6. Mulch leaf litter and lawn debris into your yard or dispose of it with your yard waste.
7. Sweep grass clippings off sidewalks and streets, mulch them to create natural fertilizers for your yard, or bag your grass clippings for disposal with yard waste.
8. Use products as directed and be sure to sweep excess chemicals off sidewalks and streets. When possible, choose organic, non-toxic products for outdoor use.