

There are many ways you can help stop pollution from entering our waterways through the local storm sewers, by:

- 1. Becoming more aware of what may be causing storm water pollution in your area, through local newsletters, websites and getting involved in the community.
- 2. Reporting to your municipal officials:
 - Any dumping of inappropriate materials (i.e. oil or antifreeze) into storm water drains.
 - Construction sites that do not have erosion or sediment controls.
 - Suspicious looking materials or discoloration from storm sewers or in local streams, lakes or rivers.
- 3. Using good housekeeping practices with lawn care chemicals, oil, gasoline, pet wastes, etc.
- 4. Helping to start or participating in programs to recycle and safely dispose of used oil and household hazardous wastes and containers.
- 5. Telling others about pollution from storm water runoff and what they can do to help.

24-hour hotline – 248-858-0931

The Oakland County Water Resources Commissioner has partnered with the Oakland County Department of Public Safety to offer a 24-hour hotline for the reporting of potential storm sewer problems. Please call this number if you witness any of the following:

- **♦** Leaky septic systems
- Suspicious dumping
- Dead or stressed fish or animals
- An unusual or suspicious discharge in a catch basin or waterway
- Dumping of animal wastes
- Runoff from storage piles