

## “Know Where it Goes” Stormwater Education Assembling the Poster

### Materials:

Paper

Scissors

Glue

Colored paper

Color printer

Velcro

Poster board (3-panel foam core board recommended)

Lamination equipment (if desired)

Create the title and text for the center panel of the poster that reads “What Can You Do to Prevent Stormwater Pollution?” “What do these 3 pictures have in common.” “All are sources of stormwater pollution. Turn the pictures over to see how you can help!” Arrange this text on poster board, leaving room for 3 pictures in the middle. Laminate if desired.

Cut out the pictures of the dog, grass, and man washing the car and mount on colored paper. On the back of this same colored paper match the text about the consequences with the pictures of pet waste, lawns and washing your car. The text will be upside-down so that when the board is flipped it can be read.

Match up the solution cards with each action (car wash, etc.) Laminate all pieces if desired. Glue down the solution card first. Then attach the mounted pictures of the grass, car wash and dog (facing up) with velcro. For example, the picture of the dog can be flipped over to reveal the solution card “scoop pet waste,” with the text “Pet waste adds bacteria...” on the back of the dog picture.

Laminate the rest of the pages. Place the text that reads “All of our actions...” on the top left panel and arrange pictures of fish kill, shellfishing ban and losses of wildlife as desired.



Pet waste adds bacteria to local waters, which could make us sick or cause beach closures. How would you feel if the beach was closed every single day?



Washing cars in the driveway causes soapy water and dirt to enter the stormdrains connected to local waterways.



Lawn fertilizers and clippings can wash down the stormdrains and enter our water system. Many times this causes algae blooms which not only smell bad, but can cause fish and clam die-offs.

Solution: Scoop pet waste!





**Solution:** Wash your car at a commercial car wash facility where they are required to collect and dispose of water properly.



**Solution:** Make sure sprinklers stay on the lawn and off of hard surfaces like roads and driveways. That way water can be absorbed instead of running off and ending up in the stormdrains.



All of the actions we take on **land** affect the health of our **ponds, rivers** and **Narragansett Bay**. When it rains, water flows down the stormdrains and out to local waters, untreated. If we don't take action, stormwater pollution can lead to...

# Beach Closures...





# Fishing and Shellfishing Bans...



And losses of wildlife like the  
Greenwich Bay fish kill in 2003.

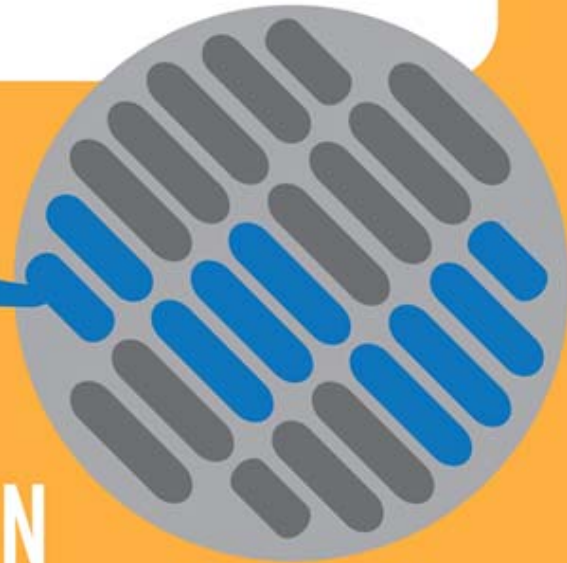


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