Why is proper treatment important?

Vehicle wash water often contains detergents, oil, grease, nutrients, and toxic metals.

This has a potential to add additional nutrients and harmful chemicals to streams & rivers.

Left untreated, the polluted discharges can not only affect the aquatic life in waterways, but could eventually affect drinking water supplies.

The Water you are protecting, could be your own.



STORM DRAINS MARKERS REMIND US THAT STORM WATER RUNOFF GOES DIRECTLY TO STREAMS

You may think that a little bit of soapy water draining to a large river can't hurt anything. But

Every Little Bit Hurts

And your little bit of effort.....

Can Help



For more Information:

www.mariettaoh.net or call

Washington Soil and Water Conservation District 740-885-3312





Tel: 740-373-1387 Fax: 740-373-2489 www.mariettaoh.net/





- Storm Drains do not drain to the Waste Water Treatment Plant.
- Storm Drains flow untreated to the Ohio River, Muskingum River, Duck Creek, Goose Run, and several other small headwater streams in the City of Marietta.
- The City of Marietta is under a mandate by the Ohio EPA to stop pollution from entering storm drains.
- Marietta's Codified Ordinance Part 11 Title
 V Chapter 1156.09 a) Prohibition of Illegal Discharges. (1)

No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged into the municipal storm drain system or watercourses any materials, including but not limited to pollutants or waters containing any pollutants that cause or contribute to a violation of applicable water quality standards, other than storm water.

Allowable discharges to storm drains: Ordinance Part 11 Title V Chapter 1156.09 (a)
 (2) & (3) Waterline Flushing; Landscape Irrigation; Diverted Stream Flows; Rising Ground Waters; Uncontaminated Filtration or Pumped Ground Water; Potable Water; Foundation Drains; Air Condition Condensation; Irrigation Water; Springs; Crawl Space Pump Water; Footing Drains; Lawn Watering; Individual Residential Car Washing; Riparian Habitat & Wetland Flow; Dechlorinated Swimming Pool Discharges; Street Wash Water; Fire Fighting Activity Discharges or Flows.

Vehicle & Equipment Washing

Residential

- Acceptable discharge to grassy areas to promote infiltration.
- Meant for the occasional car washing at home by car owners.
- Consider turning off water when not in use.
- Use phosphate free & other environmental friendly cleaners.

Commercial

- Acceptable where runoff goes to a municipal wastewater treatment plant, or some other treatment system.
- Meant for Businesses and Government Agencies.

Charity Car Washes

- Charity Car Washes are considered a commercial venture.
- Acceptable where the water is collected & treated.

Avoid Fines

- Use a commercial car wash.
- Contact the Marietta WWTP for information on disposal to the municipal wastewater plant on a temporary or permanent basis. 740-373-3858
- Consider a Charity Car Wash at a commercial car wash.
 Four have been contacted and are willing to work with charity car washes on this venture.
 They are:

Touchless Shine Car Wash	1105 Gilman Ave	Frank Lang	740-516-1019
Touchless Shine Car Wash	304 Muskingum Dr.	Frank Lang	740-516-1019
All-American Car Wash	Corner of County House Ln & Pike St.	AJ Watson	740-236-0304
Soft Cloth Car Wash	348 Pike St.	AJ Watson	740-236-0304

