



Stormwater pollution is the greatest source of water quality impairments in the Clinton River and its tributaries.

- 1 The Clinton River Watershed is the most populated watershed in the state of Michigan therefore there is a large percentage of impervious surface (rooftops, roads, sidewalks, lawns, etc.)
- 2 When it rains, water falls on impervious surfaces and picks up pollutants such as dirt, oils, grease, pesticides, fertilizers, and pet waste.
- 3 These pollutants are carried by runoff to our drainage systems and eventually end up in our waterways.
- 4 Stormwater and the pollutants it carries causes erosion, sedimentation, algae blooms, high bacteria counts, and other water quality impacts.
- 5 Stormwater pollution has a detrimental impact on aquatic habitat for fish and insects, threatens public health and recreation, and spoils the beauty of our rivers and streams.

