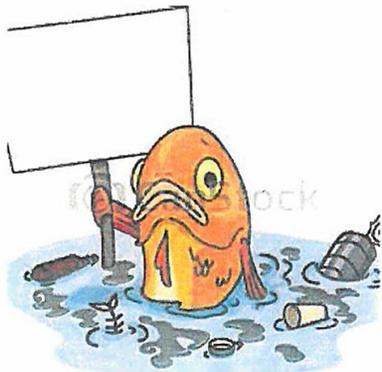


Remember...

- What we do on land affects the quality of water we drink and use in so many ways.
- Many small sources of pollution add up to cause big water quality problems.
- Natural things such as soil, leaves, grass clippings, and pet waste can cause water pollution.
- Waste dumped into storm sewers goes into the Meramec River without treatment.
- Automobiles and other vehicles cause water pollution as well as air pollution

Everyone can make a difference



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Reporting of Illegal Dumping or Suspicious Discharges:

Mayor's Hotline
636-282-6699

Please Help!

Reporting will, in great part, rely on participation from the public. Residents who observe illegal dumping or observe pollutants within waterways or storm sewers should contact the City of Arnold, Department of Public Works Office at 636-282-2386 to report a storm water violation. This program cannot succeed without strong public participation.



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Illicit Discharge Detection & Elimination



STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

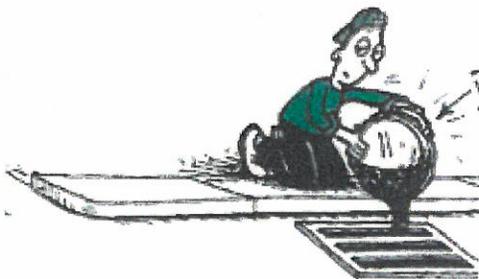
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What is an Illicit Discharge?

An illicit discharge is defined as “any discharge into a municipal storm sewer system that is not composed entirely of storm water”. Some of the pollutants that fall into this broad category are:

- Car Wash wastewater
- Gas and motor oil
- Household cleansers
- Paints
- Pesticides
- Pet Waste
- Solvents
- Weed Killer

Sometimes these pollutants are carried through the storm drainage system by rain, wind, or improper disposal into the Meramec River. This can result in serious health and water quality problems. In addition wildlife and the overall appearance of the river are adversely affected by illicit discharges.



Six Easy Ways That You Can Keep Illicit Discharges Out of the Meramec River

There are simple steps that we can take to solve the problems that the Meramec River faces. It is up to **YOU**, the homeowner and business owners who call Arnold home, to clean it up and to help keep it clean!

1. **Used oil, antifreeze, and batteries** can be recycled. Clean up any spills immediately-kitty litter or sawdust will absorb the spill. Be sure to sweep these up as well.
2. Wash you car on the grass so that the **water, detergent, and dirt** will be filtered by the soil. Better yet, take your car to a commercial car wash, where the dirty water is sent to the wastewater treatment.



3. Empty bottles of **household cleansers, pesticides, and weed killer** should be disposed of according to label directions.

4. **Grass Clippings** in the street should be swept up after each mowing. Grass clippings left in the street are being washed down into the storm sewers and end up in the Meramec River where they have potential to cause algae blooms.



5. Many household products, including **paints, paint thinners, and solvents** used with water based paint can be rinsed in the sink. If you have a small amount of leftover paint in a can, stuff it loosely with newspaper, let the paint dry out completely, and put it in the trash.
6. When walking your pet use a bag or use a scooper to clean up your **pet's waste**. In order to keep animal waste from contaminating our community, anyone who walks a pet should properly dispose of waste by picking it up, wrapping it, and either placing it into the trash or flushing it UNWRAPPED!

