

## Make a Sound Choice

# Top 10 Ways You Can Prevent Water Pollution



In order to create better brooks, restored rivers and a healthier Long Island Sound, please make a personal pledge to:

- Use fertilizers sparingly (choose slow release formulas) and sweep up driveways, sidewalks, and gutters.
- Never dump anything down storm drains or in streams.
- Vegetate bare spots in your yard to prevent soil erosion.
- Compost vegetable and yard waste.
- Use least toxic pesticides, follow labels, and learn how to prevent pest problems.
- Direct downspouts away from paved surfaces and consider a rain garden or rain barrel to capture runoff.
- Wash your car on the lawn or take it to a commercial carwash instead of washing it in the driveway.
- Check your car for leaks and recycle your motor oil.
- Pick up after your pet and don't attract waterfowl by feeding them.
- Have your septic tank pumped and your system inspected regularly.



### **BONUS**

Become a volunteer water quality monitor  
in The Last Green Valley!

### **HEY KIDS!**

Join Flo in preventing water pollution!



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