We're just letting you know that there's SOMETHING FISHY going on in your neighborhood!

Your neighbors are stenciling the storm drains in your neighborhood to remind people of the connection between community storm drains and local streams, rivers, and lakes.

Many citizens believe that storm drains carry waste to a plant for treatment prior to being discharged into waterways. The stenciled message that reads "Dump No Waste - Drains to Stream" serves as a reminder to anyone who accidentally or deliberately uses storm drains as garbage cans for motor oil, pesticides, fertilizers, paint, plastic, trash, and glass.

Your storm drain leads to:

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Waterway

The volunteer organization that stenciled your storm drain is:

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Virginia Adopt-A-Stream Partner

Contact the Department of Conservation and Recreation's Adopt-A-Stream Program at:
600 E. Main St., 24th Floor
Richmond, Virginia 23219
(804) 692-0148 or (877) 42-WATER

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CONSERVING VIRGINIA'S NATURAL & RECREATIONAL RESOURCES

(FRONT SIDE OF DOORHANGER)
Help be the solution to
POINTLESS POLLUTION!

Nonpoint source or "pointless" pollution is the primary threat to the quality of Virginia's streams, rivers, and lakes. Nonpoint source pollution does not come from a single source, such as a sewage treatment plant or an industrial discharge pipe.

Nonpoint source pollution occurs mainly through stormwater runoff. When it rains, polluted runoff from farmland, city streets, construction sites, and suburban lawns enters Virginia's waterways. There are four types of nonpoint source pollution: sediments, nutrients, toxic substances, and pathogens.

To help prevent nonpoint source pollution, please consider the following:
- Recycling used oil and paint or disposing at hazardous waste collection sites;
- Using non-toxic alternatives to household cleaners, drain openers, and insecticides;
- Collecting litter and pet waste before they wash into storm drains;
- Applying pesticides and fertilizers according to the instructions on the label;
- Landscaping your lawn with trees, shrubs, or groundcover to reduce runoff;
- Composting yard debris;
- Using porous surfaces as an alternative to concrete and asphalt; and
- Spreading the word - share this doorhanger with a friend.

To request a copy of “25 ways to Help Virginia’s Environment”, please call (804) 692-0148 or (877) 42-WATER