

KEEPING OUR WATER CLEAN

Help reduce Non-Point Source pollution
in Klamath County lakes, rivers, and streams.

Non-Point Source (NPS) pollution includes:

- Excess fertilizer, herbicide, and insecticides from agricultural lands and residential areas.
- Oil, grease and toxic chemicals from urban runoff.
- Sediment from construction sites, crop and forest lands, and eroding streambanks.



Non-Point Source (NPS) pollution is caused by rainfall or snowmelt moving over the ground and picking up natural and human-made pollutants along the way. Precipitation and drainage deposits chemicals into lakes, rivers, canals, and wetlands.

Consider this list of things you can do to reduce Non-Point Source (NPS) pollution:

Excess fertilizers, herbicides, or insecticides:



Apply lawn and garden chemicals sparingly, always follow application directions, use low phosphate cleaning supplies and detergents.

Oil, grease, and toxic chemicals from urban runoff:



Clean up spilled grease and antifreeze, always recycle used oil. Dispose of chemicals properly.

Pet waste in public places or farm animal waste along rivers and streams:



Dispose of pet waste in secure containers, use fencing and reduced grazing along water sources to eliminate excess animal waste that might pollute natural lakes and watercourses.



Help reduce chemical use in your daily life to protect the water of Klamath County.



Visit the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality website at:
<http://www.oregon.gov/deq/wq/programs/Pages/Nonpoint.aspx>