



# Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4)

## INTERESTING FACTS

Did you know.....

- ☀ 80% of the Earth's surface is covered by water
- ☀ Only 3% of the Earth's water is fresh water
- ☀ **ONLY 1%** of the Earth's water is suitable for drinking water
- ☀ 1 gallon of oil can contaminate up to **1 MILLION gallons** of water
- ☀ Using a commercial carwash reduces stormwater runoff pollution
- ☀ The behavior of individuals contributes **MORE** to water pollution than business, industry, and large public enterprise
- ☀ Polluted runoff is the nation's greatest threat to clean water
- ☀ **EVERYONE** lives in a watershed
- ☀ The overuse of lawn fertilizers can contribute to excessive plant growth in our lakes and streams
- ☀ A typical city block generates more than **5 times** more runoff than a wooded area of the same size
- ☀ According to the EPA, the **#1** pollutant of our waterways is sediment
- ☀ It is estimated that **4 billion tons** of sediment are eroded annually from construction sites into U.S. waterways



To learn more about the Storm Water Management Program in Vigo County and how you can help prevent pollution of storm water runoff, please visit our website [www.terrehautecleanwater.com](http://www.terrehautecleanwater.com).

# STORMWATER FACTS

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