

## FACT:



One quart of oil washed  
down a storm drain  
pollutes up to 250,000  
gallons of lake water.



Over 90,000 storm drains in Dallas carry storm water and everything in it, **including motor oil**, directly into your nearest creek, river, or lake. Last year alone, Texans improperly dumped an estimated 18 million gallons of oil.

Where does it go? It goes with the flow.

Unlike wastewater, storm water doesn't get cleaned and treated before it empties into creeks, rivers, and lakes. So if water goes into the storm drain dirty, it stays that way.



**TIPS:** If you change your own oil, never dump the used oil down the storm drain. Recycle used motor oil at your nearest full-service gas station or collection site.

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One gallon of liquid soap washed down a storm drain pollutes up to 200,000 gallons of water.

Over 90,000 storm drains in Dallas carry storm water and everything in it, **including soaps and detergents**, directly into your nearest creek, river or lake. Washing your car at home uses more water than a commercial car wash, and introduces soap, oil, and engine



**TIPS:** Use a commercial car wash when possible – either automated or self-serve. Practice dry cleanup methods. Instead of hosing down your driveway or sidewalk, use a broom to sweep up waste.

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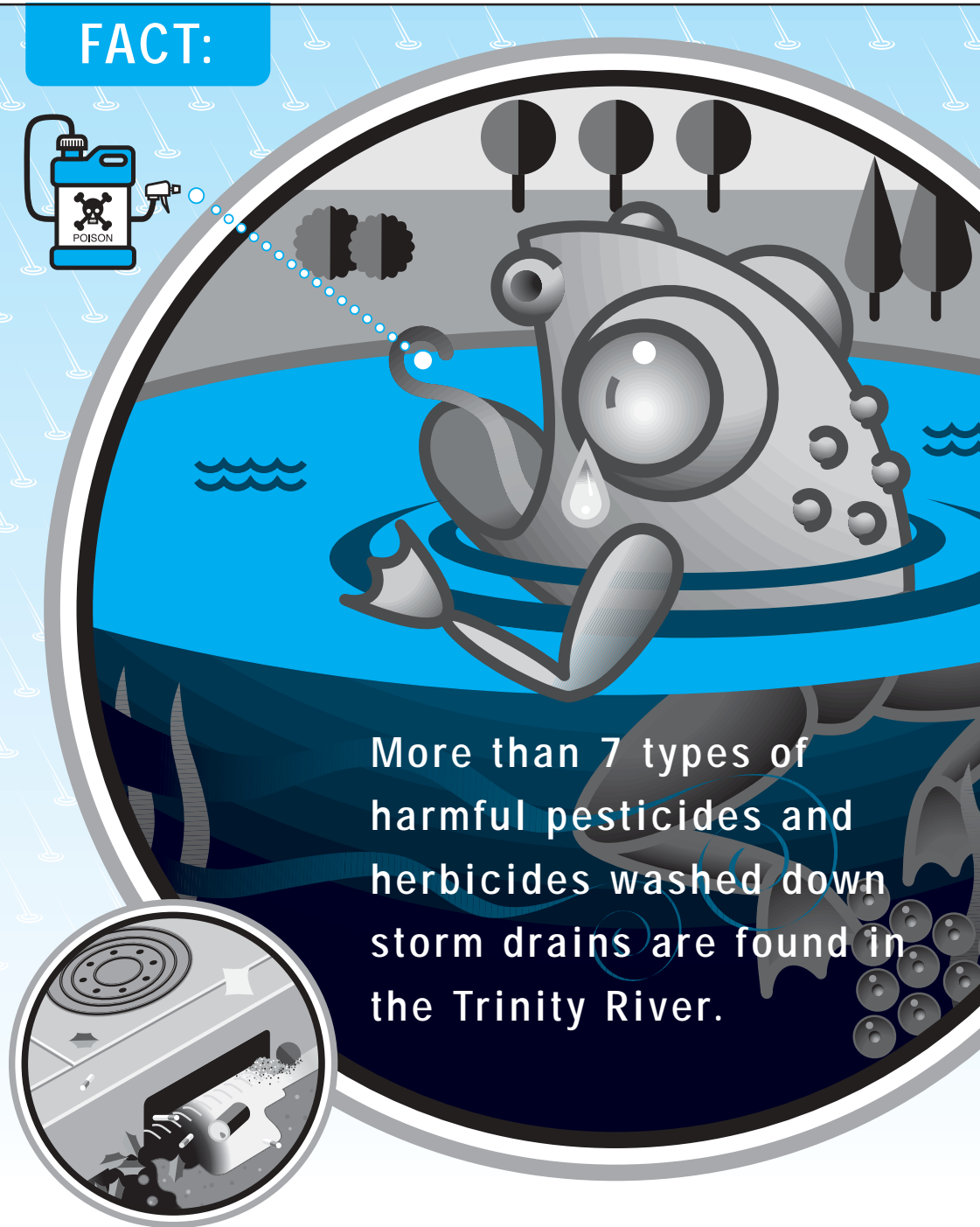
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More than 7 types of harmful pesticides and herbicides washed down storm drains are found in the Trinity River.



Over 90,000 storm drains in Dallas carry storm water and everything in it, **including pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers**, directly into your nearest creek, river or lake. Texans waste over 1.2 million pounds of pesticides each year.



**TIPS:** Never use pesticides, herbicides or fertilizers on a windy day or when you know it's going to rain. Use organic products and the exact amount as instructed. Never pour garden chemicals down a storm drain or manhole, or let them run off your lawn into the street.

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