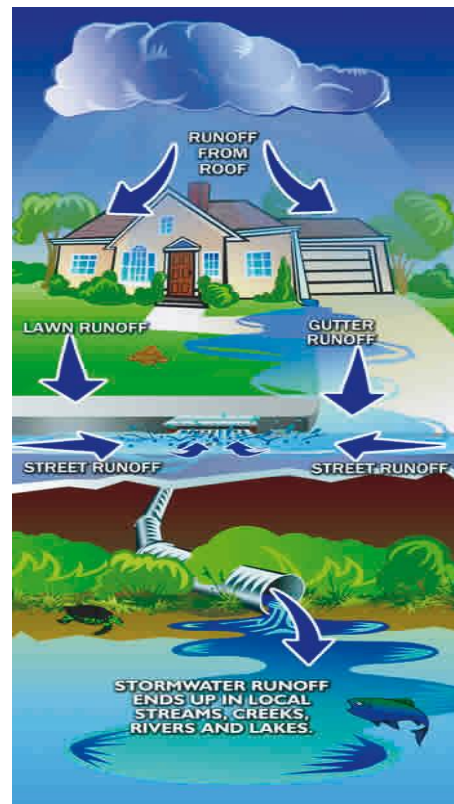


What is Storm Water?

Storm water runoff is any water, either through rain, sprinklers, or irrigation of yards/gardens, that flows from rooftops, sidewalks, parking lots, streets, driveways, yards, and other surfaces into local waterbodies through the storm drain system.



What cannot enter a storm drain?

- Grass clippings, dirt, sand, mulch
- Oil, antifreeze, paint, cleaning fluids
- Wash water from a commercial car wash
- Industrial discharges
- Wash water from commercial / industrial activities
- Sanitary sewer discharges
- Septic tank discharges
- Washing machine discharges
- Chlorinated backwash and draining associated with swimming pools

What is the difference between the storm drain and sewer system?

Storm Water discharges **DIRECTLY** into our bayous **UNTREATED**.

Water that flow into the sanitary sewer, such as water from our bathtubs and toilet, are sent to wastewater treatment facility before the water is discharged to creeks, bayous, or the Bay.

These two separate systems are why the City of Deer Park is regulated as a Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) city.

