

PET WASTE

What's the problem with
a ton of dog poop everyday?



ONLY rain down the drain or ditch.



It's raw sewage sitting on our backyards, parks, beaches and trails!

Pet waste is a leading cause of bacterial contamination in streams and bays. Plus, harmful organisms can be transmitted from dog waste to children. Some can persist for weeks in your yard, waiting for a host.

Landfills are designed to safely handle dog waste. Yards, storm drains, ditches and septic systems are not. Burying or composting pet waste allows harmful organisms to leach into groundwater.



**SCOOP THE POOP, BAG IT
AND PLACE IT IN THE TRASH.**

CLEAN YARDS. CLEAN STREAMS. CLEAN PAWS.

WHY SHOULD WE CARE?

Dog waste contains more fecal bacteria compared to other common sources, including humans, cats, cows, ducks, and rats. It contains other pathogens that human waste typically does not, including hookworms, tapeworms, threadworms, campylobacteriosis, giardia, and coccidian.



Rain washes bacteria from pet waste into ditches, storm drains, streams, and eventually the Strait, threatening marine life, water quality and public health.

Clallam County Code (CCC 17.02.040) states: The owner of any dog which defecates while off its owner's property shall pick up, bag, and properly dispose of the waste.

WHAT CAN WE DO?

Pick up and dispose of waste regularly! In your yard, at the beach, or on a walk, scoop the poop and be part of the solution.



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Contact your local authority below for water quality questions, tips and solutions!



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