storm water road trip

ALL OF BOWLING GREEN SITS ON TOP OF A KARST LANDSCAPE WHERE WATER RAPIDLY TRAVELS FROM THE SURFACE TO SUBSURFACE



runoff can enter storm water drains along streets

vertical pipes allow runoff to enter underground

water may enter natural depressions/holes in the

surface and then flow into underground passages

passages below ground allow water to quickly

water that traveled on the surface or underground can

surface water and water that traveled underground

can collect in rivers and then make its way to the

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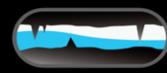
sewer



injection well



sinkhole



cave



spring



river



illicit discharges

POINT SOURCE POLLUTION IS

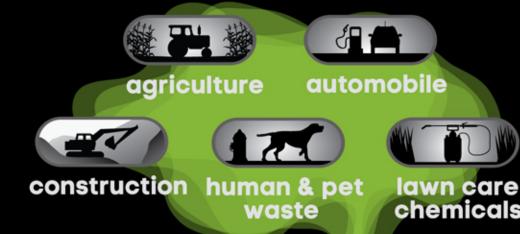
POLLUTION COMING FROM A

SINGLE, IDENTIFIABLE POINT SUCH

AS A PIPE FROM AN INDUSTRIAL

point & non-point source storm water pollution

STORM WATER RUNOFF CARRIES POLLUTANTS SUCH AS LITTER, MOTOR OIL, GASOLINE, FERTILIZERS, PESTICIDES, PET WASTES, AND ANYTHING ELSE THAT CAN FLOAT, DISSOLVE OR BE SWEPT AWAY BY MOVING WATER.



chemicals

NON-POINT SOURCE POLLUTION IS POLLUTION FROM A **DIFFUSE SOURCE** OR AGRICULTURAL FIELDS



control measures

THE BOWLING GREEN PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WORKS HARD TO REDUCE SOURCES OF POINT AND NON-POINT SOURCE POLLUTION VIA ACTIVITIES RELATED TO 6 DIFFERENT CONTROL MEASURES. BELOW ARE SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES THAT THE CITY HAS TAKEN WITHIN EACH MEASURE.

schools and organizations and setup educational public education







illicit discharges



construction sites



post construction



in-house practices

SUCH AS WATER FLOWING OVER ROADS



City staff present water quality information to

Opportunities are available to citizens, schools and

civic organizations to participate in curb marking,

watershed cleanups and other activities designed

Illicit discharges are illegal in Bowling Green, so city

illegal activity. You can help by reporting suspicious

Construction sites must follow strict procedures to

prevent erosion and control sediment from leaving work

The City has created a Best Management Practices manual

to guide post-construction measures that reduce the

To serve as an example for Bowling Green residents,

the City takes water quality issues into account for all

new projects and daily operation it conducts.

amount of pollutants reaching our water.

officials works hard to detect, find, and eliminate this

to reduce the impact of pollutants on our water.

displays at functions around the city





drinking water plant

travel long distance