


**I think
that
I saw a**

**fish
on
my
street**



**You did
see a fish
(a painted
one at least)**

Volunteers are stenciling the message "DUMP NO WASTE - DRAINS TO ROUGE RIVER" next to stormwater catch basins on the streets in your neighborhood. The message is a reminder to you and your neighbors that hazardous chemicals can end up in the Rouge River if they are allowed to enter storm sewers. Please don't let hazardous wastes, like used motor oil, antifreeze, paint, or leftover lawn and household chemicals be dumped on the ground or into storm drain inlets. Pay attention to the amount of fertilizer, pesticides and water applied to your lawn. Lawn chemicals can be washed off lawn and into the storm sewers during periods of heavy rain. When these chemicals enter the river, they can poison the water or use up the oxygen so fish and other aquatic animals suffocate and die!

- Take used motor oil and antifreeze to an auto service center that has a recycling program.
- Find out about hazardous waste drop-off centers and special hazardous waste collection days in your community. If these are not available where you live, contact your local solid waste department and ask for them.
- Keep fertilizers and pesticides off sidewalks and driveways, where they can be washed into the streets and storm drains.

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