

Did you know?

Littering: \$200
If you are caught littering.

Illegal dumping: \$750
If you are caught Illegal
dumping.

"When you dump
Something bad, it makes me sad.
Yet a small dirt lump could turn
into a dump!" Kimberley
Clement.

HUNTER WATER

By: Kimberley
Clement

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Be the
Solution
and Stop the
Pollution!

PROTECT OUR RIVERS!!

Rivers
are
important!!!



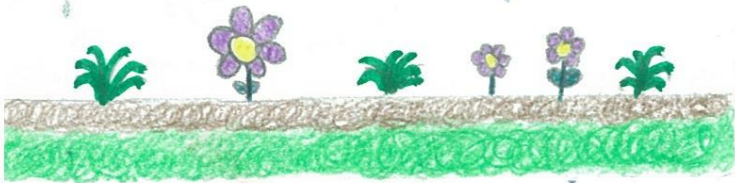
Heres 6 ways
to help your
waterways...

Fertilisers & Pesticides

Every gardener knows not to put products like these down before it rains. If you put them down and they hadn't had time to soak in, it will all just get washed down the drain.

SOLUTION:

check the weather before putting a product like those down on your garden bed.



Cattle Fencing

We all know how cows and horses like drinking from a creek, but what are they actually doing? When they go plodding through the water, their hooves stir up all the mud on the bottom. This is called erosion.

SOLUTION:

Fence off all creeks and rivers from the cattle and provide them with their own drinking troughs.

Carp

Carp are an introduced species of fish that cause a lot of problems. Why? When the tide is right, they will swim up to the bank, suck up mud and dirt, and spit it out!! This too, is called Eroding the banks.

SOLUTION:

If you catch a carp, kill it! This can at least put a stop to some breeding.

Washing your car

When you wash your car on a driveway, right? Well, when you do wash your car, all the soapy chemicals will get washed down into the drain.

SOLUTION:

When you wash your car, do it on the lawn, because any excess water will just soak into the grass, and not into the drain.



↓ Grass Clippings ↙

Every day, lots of leaves and clippings are dumped on the ground and not disposed of. But, if you just leave your clippings on the ground, they will either get blown or washed down the drain.

SOLUTION:

Pick or rake up and dispose of all leaves and clippings securely to prevent them blowing everywhere.

Littering

When people litter, they are carelessly leaving their rubbish on the ground. This can affect us, sea animals, birds, fish and our water bodies.

SOLUTION:

Dispose of all litter safely and ensure that you don't leave any around.

