Help Protect Our Watershed
(and earn scout badges, too!)

Join Friends of the Mississippi River for a Storm Drain Stenciling Outing

WHO: Scout Troops, Clubs, Schools, Community Groups, Churches, Corporations, Families, Individuals, etc.

WHAT: Storm Drain Stenciling Project - volunteers paint the message "Please, Don't Pollute! Drains to River" next to storm drains and distribute educational doorhangers to neighborhood homes and businesses.

PLEASE! DON'T POLLUTE!

DRAINS TO RIVER

WHERE: Your group's neighborhood in Minneapolis, St. Paul, and within the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District. **(No transportation necessary!)**

WHEN: April through October (Weather permitting)

WHY: To prevent urban runoff pollution from entering the storm sewer system. Many residents do not realize that storm drains provide a direct route for pollutants to enter the river. This activity educates community members about the importance of protecting the watershed, and what we can all do to help keep it clean and safe for the future.

HOW: Friends of the Mississippi River staff will train your group and provide an educational presentation on urban runoff pollution. Individuals or smaller groups can participate at community stenciling events or arrange to pick up equipment and instructions. Stenciling supplies are provided free of charge.

Specifics to Help You Plan Your Stenciling Outing

Time Commitment - One outing usually lasts between one and three hours, depending on how much time you have.

Weather - If it's raining or wet we cannot stencil. We'd be happy to schedule a rain date.

Supervision - Children must be supervised for this activity. We recommend one adult for every five to ten children

Group Size - For groups of 10 people or more, we will meet you or your group and bring the equipment. Groups of less than 10 will need to arrange to pick up and drop off the stenciling equipment.

Clothing: Make sure you wear old clothes — PAINT WILL NOT WASH OUT!

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