



Dog Waste and Surface Water Quality

Dog Waste left in our yards, forest areas and parks can have many adverse effects on the environment.

It's full of harmful bacteria and excess nutrients.

Besides being a neighborhood nuisance, dog waste can make people sick, especially children who are more likely to come into contact with it while enjoying the outdoors.

Dog waste left on lawns can kill or damage grass and other plants

When dog waste is washed into lakes or streams, the waste decays, consumes oxygen in the water, and sometimes releases ammonia. This process can kill fish!

Dog waste also contains nutrients that encourage weed and algae growth. Too much of these nutrients turn water cloudy and green...imagine this in your backyard pond or stream!



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