Where does the water go?

Wastewater and stormwater are separated in Tacoma

**Points to remember:**

**Stormwater:** After rain falls, it runs off surfaces as stormwater and picks up pollutants as it flows along. The majority of stormwater is piped directly to streams, lakes, and Puget Sound without treatment. We all need to keep pollutants out of stormwater.

**Wastewater:** The water from your toilets, sinks, showers, and other inside drains, is piped to a wastewater treatment plant where it is cleaned before discharging into Puget Sound.

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