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Are you washing cars for fundraisers?

Please do not allow polluted foamy waste water to flow into storm water drains as this will discharge into streams and lakes.

Do wash your car or equipment at a proper wash facility connected to the council's sewerage system. This way any dirty, foamy polluted waste water will be treated.

But if you can't get to a proper wash facility then wash your vehicle on a lawn where the ground can filter the wastes. Make sure there is no wast water flowing into any storm water drain which could carry polluted waste into streams or lakes.

Use as little detergent as you possible. Try using a bucket instead of hosing.

You could try trapping your waste water in a pool and getting a licensed waste disposal contractor to take it away for proper disposal?

Remember it is illegal to wash any equipment or vehicle where the waste from your cleaning job flows, or is likely to flow, into storm water drains carrying dirty waste and discharging it into our fresh water streams and lakes.

Report pollution activity to Rotorua District Council on 07 348 4199







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