



# SCOOP THE POOP, PROTECT THE WATER



**1.4M**

Dogs in Colorado

Each dog  
generates about

**12 oz.**

of waste per day

That's  
**274 lbs.**

of waste per year

Equalling a Colorado total of

**390M lbs.**

pounds per year...



... equivalent to

**4,126**

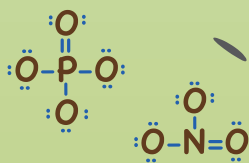
dumptrucks' worth!



**390M  
Pounds!**

If dog owners don't clean up after their  
pooches, that **390 million pounds** of poop  
can wash into your waterways every year!

## WHY DOES IT MATTER?



Dog waste contains  
10% phosphates  
and 2% nitrates.

**39M  
8M**

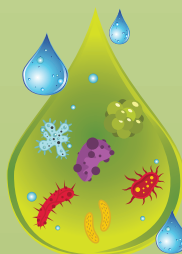
Just in Colorado, that's 39 million  
pounds of phosphates and  
8 million pounds of nitrogen  
generated by dog poop  
every year.



These nutrients  
contribute to algae  
growth, causing low  
oxygen in the water  
that can kill fish and  
other aquatic life.



Rain and snowmelt washes dog waste  
into our storm drains that connect to  
rivers and lakes without treatment  
where it decomposes, releasing  
nutrients that cause excessive  
growth of algae and weeds...



... making the water murky, green,  
smelly and even unusable for  
swimming, boating or fishing.

### PLUS

Dog waste can spread  
pathogens that can be  
transmitted from pets  
to humans, including  
salmonella, giardia,  
parvovirus among  
others.



### AND...



Parasite eggs  
dispersed by poop  
can survive for years  
in outdoor areas.

## WHAT YOO CAN DOO



### Pick it Up

Carry extra pet waste  
bags on every walk



### Pitch It

Make sure to put the  
bags in a garbage can



### Pay a Scooper

There are several local and  
affordable pooper scooper  
businesses available online



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